

## State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities Chris Parker, Director Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: April 01, 2013

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Wholesale Carrier Services, Inc. per Docket No. 13-049-05.

## **RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):**

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Interconnection Agreement.

## **EXPLANATION:**

On or about March 21, 2013, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink") filed the Interconnection Agreement per the above-referenced docket in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1) (d) of the *Utah Code*. This Agreement had been fully executed through voluntary negotiations on February 27, 2013 with Wholesale Carrier Services, Inc. ("Wholesale Carrier"). Wholesale Carrier's Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on September 07, 2012 in Docket No. 12-2545-01.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Wholesale Carrier and sees no reason to reject it. Specifically, the Division believes that the Agreement was negotiated in good faith and without unfair discrimination. Both parties also recognize that, to the extent that the existing rules are changed, vacated, dismissed, stayed or modified, this Agreement and all contracts adopting all or part of this Agreement will be amended to reflect such modification or change of the existing rules. Therefore, the Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Interconnection Agreement.

 cc: L.T. Christensen, Director – Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC Christ Barton, President and CEO, Wholesale Carries Services, Inc. Justin Jetter, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah Patricia Schmid, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah