

State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

FRANCINE GIANI Executive Director THOMAS BRADY Deputy Director CHRIS PARKER

Director, Division of Public Utilities

GARY HERBERT Governor SPENCER J. COX Lieutenant Governor

MEMORANDUM

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities Chris Parker, Director

Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager

Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: August 18, 2014

Re: Agreement filing in the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement between Owest Corporation dba

CenturyLink QC and Level 3 Communications, LLC. Docket No. 14-049-21.

RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):

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

EXPLANATION:

On or about August 12, 2014, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink") filed the Amended 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 July 29, 2014 with Level 3 Communications, LLC ("Level 3").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Level 3 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 Amended Interconnection Agreement.

cc: L.T. Christensen, Director – Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC Mack D. Green, Sr. Director – Voice Network Strategy, Level 3 Communications, LLC Justin Jetter, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah Cheryl Murray, Utility Analyst, Office of Consumer Services, State of Utah

