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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:** August 12, 2016

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC and New Horizons Communications Corp., Docket No.16-049-10.

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**RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):**

The Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) recommends that the Public Service Commission (“Commission”) acknowledge the receipt of this Interconnection Agreement.

**EXPLANATION:**

On or about August 02, 2016, 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 July 26, 2016 with New Horizons Communications Corp. (“New Horizons”). New Horizons Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on January 12, 2015 in Docket No. 14-2574-01.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and New Horizons 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: Diane Roth, Director – Wholesale, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC  
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