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## 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:** February 08, 2018

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement Between Qwest Corporation dba

CenturyLink QC and Matrix Telecom, LLC dba Excel Telecommunications Docket No.18-049-04

## **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 February 02, 2018, 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 January 19, 2018 with Matrix Telecom, LLC dba Excel Telecommunications ("Excel").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Excel 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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