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# State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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### **ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE**

**To:** Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

Artie Powell, Division Director

Brenda Salter, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor

Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: December 28, 2020

Re: Docket No. 20-049-16: Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection

Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and WilTel

Communications, LLC.

#### **Recommendation (Acknowledge):**

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

#### **Discussion:**

On or about December 22, 2020, 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 16, 2020 with WilTel Communications, LLC.



The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and WilTel Communications, LLC. 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: Kimberly J. Povirk, Sr. Dir. Bus. Ops Wholesale Sales, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC

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