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Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

- To: Public Service Commission
- From: Division of Public Utilities
 - Chris Parker, Director
 - Artie Powell, Division Manager
 - Brenda Salter, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
 - Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant
- Date: March 15, 2022
- Re: Docket No. 22-049-33: Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Peerless Network of Utah, 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 March 07, 2022, 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 March 04, 2022, with Peerless Network of Utah, LLC.



The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Peerless Network of Utah, 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.

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