

UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Public Utilities

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Action Request Response

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director

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Abdinasir Abdulle, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor

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Date: November 22, 2023

Re: Docket No. 23-049-04, <Briefly Describe Action Required, e.g., Approval,

Acknowledge, or No Action Required>.

Recommendation (Acknowledge)

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

Discussion

On or about November 17, 2023, 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 September 16, 2022, and amended on November 17, 2023, with Granite Telecommunications, LLC ("Granite").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Granite 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 Resale Forbearance Amended Interconnection Agreement.

cc: Kimberly J. Povirk, Sr. Dir. Bus. Ops Wholesale Sales, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC
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