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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Philip J. Powlick, Director
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Re: In the Matter of the Request of Qwest Corporation to Consolidate the Hyrum, Logan, Richmond and Smithfield Rate Centers Docket No. 09-049-15

Recommendation:

Approve Qwest's request to consolidate the rate centers in Cache Valley.

Issues:

Currently in Cache County, Qwest has four rate centers Hyrum, Logan, Richmond, and Smithfield. These four separate rate centers limit Qwest's ability to port numbers efficiently. With the current rate centers, Qwest is unable to port a customer's number who is moving from one rate center to another. By consolidating the above rate centers into one rate center, this obstacle is averted.

Customers within the four rate centers should not see any material change to their existing service and by approving the request the Commission allows the possibility of a larger area to port numbers.

cc: Michael Ginsberg, Assistant Attorney General
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