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MEMORANDUM

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities
Philip Powlick, Director
Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager
Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: March 22, 2010

Re: Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and AT & T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. per Docket No. 10-049-09.

RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledgement):

The Division recommends that the Commission acknowledge the receipt of this Amended Interconnection Agreement.

EXPLANATION:

On March 12, 2010, Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”) 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 5, 2010 with AT & T Communications of the Mountain States, Inc. (“AT & T”). AT & T’s Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity was approved by the Commission on August 13, 1996 in Docket No. 96-087-01.

The original Interconnection Agreement between Qwest and AT & T was approved by the Commission January 8, 2005, in Docket No. 04-049-163.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between Qwest and AT & T 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: L.T. Christensen, Director – Wholesale Contracts, Qwest Corporation
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