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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Director
Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water
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RE: Docket No. 11-049-T01 Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink filing to introduce Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic.

ISSUE:

Qwest Corporation (Qwest) dba CenturyLink is filing this addition to its existing Access Service Tariff, to propose the addition of tariff language for implementation of the inter-carrier compensation regime for certain VoIP-PSTN traffic as mandated in the Federal Communications Commission's November 18, 2011 Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in WC Docket Nos. 10-90, etc. (FCC 11-161) Identification and Rating of VoIP-PSTN Traffic. This change is permitted by the FCC Order, and is required to establish the method of separating such traffic from the customer's traditional intrastate access traffic, so that VoIP-PSTN Traffic can be billed in accordance with the FCC Order.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Tariff Modification

The Division agrees that this Tariff change is administrative and is in response to the above mentioned FCC Order 11-161, and supports this change.

The Division therefore recommends that the tariff be approved and that this filing become effective on January 21, 2012.

cc: Jim Farr, Director, Idaho And Utah Regulatory Affairs, CenturyLink
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