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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Public Service Commission

**From:** Division of Public Utilities  
Chris Parker, Director  
Bill Duncan, Telecommunications / Water Manager  
Ron Slusher, Utility Technical Consultant

**Date:** November 22, 2016

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Level 3 Communications, LLC, Docket No.16-049-14.

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**RECOMMENDATION (Acknowledge):**

The Division of Public Utilities (“Division”) recommends that the Public Service Commission (“Commission”) acknowledge the receipt of this Amended Interconnection Agreement.

**EXPLANATION:**

On or about November 21, 2016, 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 November 11, 2016 with Level 3 Communications, LLC (“Level 3”).

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Level 3 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: Diane Roth, Director – Wholesale, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC  
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