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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:** August 28, 2017

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Interconnection Agreement between Emery Telephone, Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc., and Hanksville Telcom, Inc. and Verizon Wireless, Docket Numbers 17-042-01, 17-2302-10 and 17-2303-01.

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**RECOMMENDATION (acknowledge):**

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

**EXPLANATION:**

On or about August 25, 2017, Emery Telephone, Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc. and Hanksville Telcom, Inc. (collectively “Emery”) filed the Interconnection Agreement per the above-referenced dockets in accordance with § 54-8b-2.2(1) (d) of the *Utah Code*. This Agreement had been fully executed through voluntary negotiations on July 31, 2017. Under the Agreement, Emery will provide certain services to Verizon Wireless in the State of Utah.

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between the companies 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 Interconnection Agreement.

cc: Brock Johansen, CEO/GM, Emery Telephone Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc. Hanksville Telecom, Inc.  
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