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## State of Utah Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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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 02, 2017

**Re:** Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between QWEST

CORPORATION dba CenturyLink QC and Cascade Access, LLC dba Reliance Connects, Docket

No.17-049-14.

## **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 October 31, 2017, 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 October 06, 2017 with Cascade Access, LLC dba Reliance Connects ("Cascade Access").

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and Cascade Access 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 Brooke Wheeler, CFO, Cascade Access, LLC d/b/a Reliance Connects Justin Jetter, Assistant Attorney General, State of Utah Office of Consumer Services, State of Utah