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ACTION REQUEST RESPONSE

To: Public Service Commission

From: Division of Public Utilities

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Date: March 09, 2021

Re: Docket No. 21-049-03: Agreement filing in the Matter of the Amended Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Clear Rate Communications, Inc.

Recommendation (Acknowledge):

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

Discussion:

On or about March 04, 2021, 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 March 03, 2021 with Clear Rate Communications, Inc. (“CRC”).

The Division has reviewed the above-mentioned Agreement between CenturyLink and CRC 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.

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