

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER HANSEN  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
COMMISSION STAFF  
LEGAL**

**FROM: CECELIA A. GASSNER**

**DATE: MARCH 27, 2006**

**SUBJECT: CASE NO. COX-T-06-1, APPLICATION OF COX IDAHO TELCOM, LLC  
FOR APPROVAL OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE  
AND NECESSITY TO PROVIDE LOCAL SERVICE IN IDAHO**

On January 31, 2006, Cox Idaho Telcom, LLC ("Cox") filed an Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity with the Commission. In the Application, Cox proposes to provide facilities-based basic local exchange service in the Idaho communities of Ketchum, Sun Valley, Hailey and Bellevue. On March 6, 2006, the Commission solicited comments regarding Cox's Application. *See* Order No. 29981. No comments were received other than those filed by Staff.

### THE APPLICATION

In the Application, Cox states that it is a competitive telecommunications company that proposes to provide facilities-based local and toll telecommunications to residential and business customers in the Idaho communities where it currently holds cable franchises. On March 9, 2006, the Commission approved an Interconnection Agreement between Cox Idaho Telcom, LLC and Qwest Corporation.

Cox is a wholly owned company of CoxCom, Inc., a subsidiary of Cox Communications, Inc. Cox is a Delaware limited liability company with a principal place of business in Ketchum, Idaho. The Company has a Certificate of Good Standing issued by the Delaware Secretary of State on December 3, 2004, a Certificate of Registration as a Foreign Limited Liability Company issued by the Idaho Secretary of State on January 24, 2006 and a Certificate of Existence issued by the Idaho Secretary of State on January 26, 2006. Financial data provided in the Application included a balance sheet and consolidated statements for the

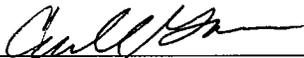
period ending December 31, 2000 for Cox Communications, Inc., an indirect, wholly-owned subsidiary of Cox Enterprises, Inc., a multi-service broadband communications company serving approximately 6.6 million customers nationwide. The Company has provided the appropriate contact information for its registered agent for service of process within Idaho.

#### **STAFF COMMENTS**

Staff has reviewed the Application submitted by Cox and believes the Company understands and agrees to comply with the Commission rules and requirements. Based on this review, the Company's filing fulfills the requirements of the Commission Rules and Procedural Order No. 26665. Staff believes that the Company possesses the requisite financial, managerial, and technical qualifications necessary to operate as a provider of telecommunications services. Therefore, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity.

#### **COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to approve the Application of Cox Idaho Telcom, LLC and grant the Company a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity?

  
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