

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: AUGUST 8, 2012

RE: CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY OF IDAHO'S
APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT WITH LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC;
CASE NO. CTC-T-12-01.

BACKGROUND

Under the provisions of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, interconnection agreements must be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1). The Commission may reject an agreement adopted by negotiations only if it finds that the agreement: (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or (2) implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A).

CURRENT APPLICATION

On July 24, 2012, Citizens Telecommunications Company dba Frontier Communications ("Frontier") submitted an Application for approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Level 3 Communications, LLC. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an interconnection agreement that includes terms and conditions, ancillary services, local number portability, reciprocal compensation, and pricing for interconnection of facilities and networks for transport of local traffic between the companies.

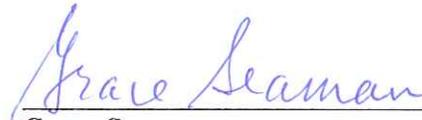
STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes the Application is consistent with

the FCC orders and pro-competitive policies of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?



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