

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER REDFORD  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
LEGAL  
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**FROM: GRACE SEAMAN**

**DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2012**

**RE: QWEST CORPORATION DBA CENTURYLINK QC'S APPLICATION  
FOR APPROVAL TO AMEND AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
WITH MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, LLC DBA  
PAETEC BUSINESS SERVICES; CASE NO. QWE-T-00-07.**

### 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 December 18, 2012, Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC submitted an Application for approval to amend an Interconnection Agreement with McLeod USA Telecommunications Service, LLC dba PAETEC Business Services approved by the Commission on November 9, 2000. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve the terms and conditions for the ICC Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") Amendment.

## 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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