

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: APRIL 5, 2010

RE: QWEST CORPORATION'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF
AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH
ESCHELON TELECOM, INC.; CASE NO. QWE-T-00-13.

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 January 18, 2011, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) submitted an Application to amend an existing agreement with Eschelon Telcom, Inc. approved by the Commission on June 10, 2002. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an amendment to adopt the Qwest Local Services Platform Agreement (QLSP) with new service descriptions and rate sheets.

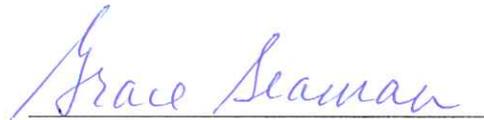
STAFF ANALYSIS

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 Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?


Grace Seaman

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