DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: **GRACE SEAMAN**

DATE: **JUNE 28, 2006**

RE: **QWEST'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT: CASE NO. QWE-T-01-21.**

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 June 26, 2006, Qwest submitted a request to amend an existing interconnection agreement with Intrado, Inc., approved by the Commission on August 21, 2001. With this filing, the original agreement is amended to incorporate the Triennial Review Order (TRO) and the Triennial Review Remand Order (TRRO).

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 that the Application is consistent with the recent 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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