

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

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

**DATE:** AUGUST 18, 2014

**RE:** QWEST CORPORATION DBA CENTURYLINK QC'S APPLICATION  
TO AMEND THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH LEVEL 3  
COMMUNICATIONS LLC; CASE NO. QWE-T-02-08.

### 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 August 14, 2014, Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC submitted an Application for approval to amend the Interconnection Agreement with Level 3 Communications LLC approved by the Commission on May 22, 2002. *See* Order No. 29033. With this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve the modification for Toll VoIP-PSTN Traffic as outlined in Exhibit A.

### STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and believes the Agreement 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 the Interconnection Agreement.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission agree?

  
Grace Seaman

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