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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

JOINT APPLICATION OF QWEST
CORPORATION AND EXCEL
TELECOMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROVAL
OF A WIRELINE INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO 47 U.S.C.
§252(E)

CASE NO.: QWE-T-02-12

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF
AMENDMENT TO THE
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”) and Excel Telecommunications, Inc. (“Excel”) hereby jointly file this Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (“Amendment”), which was approved by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission on August 22, 2002 (the “Agreement”). A copy of the Amendment is submitted herewith.

This Amendment was reached through voluntary negotiations without resort to mediation or arbitration and is submitted for approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the “Act”).

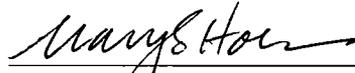
Section 252(e)(2) of the Act directs that a state Commission may reject an amendment reached through voluntary negotiations only if the Commission finds that: the amendment (or portion(s) thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to this agreement; or the implementation of such an amendment (or portion) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Excel and Qwest respectfully submit this Amendment provides no basis for either of these findings, and, therefore jointly request that the Commission approve this Amendment expeditiously. This Amendment is consistent with the public interest as identified in the pro-competitive policies of the State of Idaho, the Commission, the United States Congress, and the Federal Communications Commission. Expeditious approval of this Amendment will enable Excel to interconnect with Qwest facilities and to provide customers with increased choices among local telecommunications services.

Excel and Qwest further request that the Commission approve this Amendment without a hearing. Because this Amendment was reached through voluntary negotiations, it does not raise issues requiring a hearing and does not concern other parties not a party to the negotiations. Expeditious approval would further the public interest.

Respectfully submitted this 5th day of December, 2003.

Qwest Corporation



Mary S. Hobson
Stoel Rives LLP, Attorneys for Qwest

and

Melissa Smith
Excel Telecommunications, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 5th day of December, 2003, I served the foregoing **APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT** upon all parties of record in this matter as follows:

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**Rate Update Amendment
to the Interconnection Agreement between
Qwest Corporation and
Excel Telecommunications, Inc.
for the State of Idaho**

This Amendment ("Amendment") is by and between Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), a Colorado corporation, and Excel Telecommunications, Inc. ("CLEC"), a Texas corporation.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Interconnection Agreement, for service in the State of Idaho, that was approved by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission on August 22, 2002, as referenced in Case No. QWE-T-02-12, Order No. 29098 ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement under the terms and conditions contained herein.

AGREEMENT

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

Amendment Terms

The rates in Exhibit A of the Agreement (and/or associated Amendments) are hereby amended by adding rates for products previously identified as "Under Development" and "No Charge".

1. Qwest developed rates for Exhibit A of the Agreement (and/or associated Amendments), that were previously identified as "Under Development". The aforementioned newly developed rates have been filed with the Commission in the approved SGAT.
2. An updated Exhibit A spreadsheet identifying the new rates is attached hereto and incorporated herein.

Rates in Exhibit A will reflect legally binding decisions of the Commission and shall be applied on a prospective basis from the effective date of the legally binding Commission decision, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

Effective Date

This Amendment shall be deemed effective upon approval by the Commission; however, the Parties may agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment upon execution. To accommodate this need, CLEC must generate, if necessary, an updated Customer Questionnaire. In addition to the Questionnaire, all system updates will need to be completed by Qwest. CLEC will be notified when all system changes have been made. Actual order processing may begin once these requirements have been met.

Further Amendments

Except as modified herein, the provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

The provisions of this Amendment, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions of this Amendment may not be given without the written consent thereto by both Parties' authorized representative. No waiver by any Party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, will be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any prior or subsequent such occurrence.

Entire Agreement

This Amendment (including the documents referred to herein) constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the Parties with regard to the subjects of this Amendment and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements, or representations by or between the Parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subjects of this Amendment.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the dates set forth below, in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

Excel Telecommunications, Inc.

Connie F. Mitchell
Signature

Connie F. Mitchell
Name Printed/Typed

Vice President / Director
Title

11/17/03
Date

Qwest Corporation

L. T. Christensen
Signature

L. T. Christensen
Name Printed/Typed

Director - Business Policy
Title

12/3/03
Date

CMS Historical Contract Loading - Rate Updates

EXHIBIT A

CLEC Excel Telecommunications
 STATE Idaho

Contract Sequence Number	CMS Sequence Number and Product Element	SGAT Sequence Number	Existing Contract Rate			SGAT/New Contract Rate		
			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge		Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	
8.1.9	8.0 Collocation 8.1 All Collocation 8.1.9 Collocation Terminations 8.1.9.4 Ocn Terminations 8.1.9.4.1 Ocn Terminations, Per 12 Fibers	8.1.9	Under Development	Under Development	\$3.71	\$1,622.40		
8.1.9	8.0 Collocation 8.1 All Collocation 8.1.9 Collocation Terminations 8.1.9.4 Ocn Terminations 8.1.9.4.2 Cable Racking for Ocn Terminations, 1st 12 fibers	8.1.9	Under Development	Under Development	\$6.75	\$2,952.53		
8.5.3	8.0 Collocation 8.6 Remote Collocation 8.6.3 Virtual Remote Collocation 8.6.3.6 Maintenance Labor (per 1/2 hour)	8.5.3		Under Development		\$29.40		
8.5.3	8.0 Collocation 8.6 Remote Collocation 8.6.3 Virtual Remote Collocation 8.6.3.8 Training Labor	8.5.3		Under Development		\$29.40		
8.5.3	8.0 Collocation 8.6 Remote Collocation 8.6.3 Virtual Remote Collocation 8.6.3.5 Engineering Labor (per 1/2 hour)	8.5.3		Under Development		\$35.65		
8.5.3	8.0 Collocation 8.6 Remote Collocation 8.6.3 Virtual Remote Collocation 8.6.3.7 Installation Labor (per 1/2 hour)	8.5.3		Under Development		\$29.40		

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CLEC Excel Telecommunications
 STATE Idaho

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9.15.1	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.1 LIDB Storage	9.15.1	No Charge	No Charge			\$0..00	
9.15.4	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.4 Fraud Alert Notification, per Alert	9.15.4	No Charge		\$0.00		\$0.00	
9.25.5	9.25 Loop Splitting 9.25.5 Additional Testing			Under Development			See Misc Charges	
10.3	10.0 Ancillary Services 10.3 911/E911	10.3	No Charge			\$0.00		
10.4.1	10.0 Ancillary Services 10.4 White Pages Directory Listings 10.4.1 Primary Listings	10.4.1	No Charge			\$0.00		
12.2	12.0 Operational Support Systems 12.2.Ongoing Maintenance	12.2	Under Development				\$0.00	
12.1	12.0 Operational Support Systems 12.1 Development and Enhancements, per Order	12.1	Under Development			\$0.00		