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Jean Jewell
Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0074

**RE: QWEST TECH III SECOND QUARTER 2004 REQUEST FOR
REIMBURSEMENT PER ORDER 29197 IN CASE NO. QWE-T-03-4**

Dear Jean,

Attached are an original and three copies of Qwest's filing for reimbursement of expenses incurred in the second quarter 2004 associated with the Tech III project. Qwest, at this time, is requesting reimbursement in the amount of \$500,431 which is 50% of the total reconciled expenditures completed through June, 2004. To validate this level of completed work the Company is providing the following Confidential and Proprietary documents which are provided for Staff review only and are not to be made available for public review.

1. Attachment A: Excel Spreadsheet: Idaho Tech III Projects 2nd Quarter 2004. This spreadsheet shows the individual job number and the dollar amounts spent, by category, by month, for all second quarter work. The 2nd Qtr 2004 actual column totaled on the fourth page shows the amount requested for reimbursement.
2. Attachment B: Individual Job "Common Funding Document" CFD's which provide detail as to the specific scope of work and the original estimates for each job previously approved by the Staff for inclusion in Tech III. Every job found on Attachment A has a corresponding CFD included on Attachment B.

Based upon these supporting documents the Company requests a reimbursement check in the amount of \$500,431 for the second quarter 2004 from the Fund Administrator following Staff review.

I look forward to working with the Commission Staff in their review of this submission and in answering any follow up questions that may arise. Doug Cooley is the IPUC Staff contact in this ongoing telecommunications infrastructure improvement project. I can be reached on 208-385-8666.

Sincerely,



John Souba
Director Regulatory Affairs

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