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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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

CASE NO.: QWE-T-03-11

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

Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”) and Lightyear Communications, Inc. (“Lightyear”) hereby jointly file this Application for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement (“Amendment”), which was approved by the Idaho Public Utilities Commission on July 15, 2003 (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.

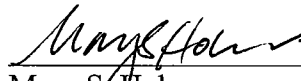
Lightyear and Qwest respectfully submit this Amendment provides no basis for either of these findings, and, therefore jointly request that the Commission approve this Amendment

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 Lightyear to interconnect with Qwest facilities and to provide customers with increased choices among local telecommunications services.

Lightyear 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 9th day of January, 2004.

Qwest Corporation



Mary S. Hobson
Stoel Rives LLP, Attorneys for Qwest

and

Kevin Shady
Lightyear Communications, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 9th day of January, 2004, 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
Lightyear Communications, Inc.
for the State of Idaho**

This Amendment ("Amendment") is by and between Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), a Colorado corporation, and Lightyear Communications, Inc. ("CLEC"), a Kentucky 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 July 15, 2003, as referenced in Case No. QWE-T- 03-11 ("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.

Lightyear Communications, Inc.

Kevin Shady
Signature
Kevin Shady
Name Printed/Typed
Vice President - Local
Title
12-15-03
Date

Qwest Corporation

L. T. Christensen
Signature
L. T. Christensen
Name Printed/Typed
Director - Business Policy
Title
1/5/04
Date

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EXHIBIT A

CMS Historical Contract Loading - Rate Updates

CLEC Lightyear Communications, Inc.
STATE Idaho

Contract Sequence Number	CMS Sequence Number and Product Element	SGAT Element Number	Existing Contract Rate		SGAT/New Contract Rate	
			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge
8.1.9.3	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
8.1.9.3	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
9.2.5.5	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.2 Unbundled Loops 9.2.5 DS1 Loop Installation Charges 9.2.5.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing 9.2.5.5.1 First	9.2.6.5		Under Development		\$323.48
9.2.5.5	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.2 Unbundled Loops 9.2.5 DS3 Loop Installation Charges 9.2.5.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing 9.2.5.5.1 Each Additional	9.2.6.5		Under Development		\$222.40
9.2.6.5	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.2 Unbundled Loops 9.2.6 DS3 Loop Installation Charges 9.2.6.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing 9.2.6.5.1 First	9.2.6.5		Under Development		\$323.48

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9.2.6.5	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.2 Unbundled Loops 9.2.6 DS3 Loop Installation Charges 9.2.6.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing 9.2.6.5.2 Each Additional	9.2.6.5		Under Development		\$222.40
9.4.2	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.4 Line Sharing 9.4.2 OSS, per Order	9.4.2	Under Development		\$3.57	Recurring per mile
9.6.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.6 OC-48 UDIT	9.6.6				
9.6.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.6 OC-48 UDIT 9.6.6.1 OC-48 Over 0 to 8 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$266.42
9.6.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.6 OC-48 UDIT 9.6.6.2 OC-48 Over 8 to 25 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$275.49

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			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge
9.6.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.6.3 OC-48 Over 25 to 50 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$333.90
9.6.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.6.4 OC-48 Over 50 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$428.72
9.6.8	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.8 Multiplexing 9.6.8.1 DS3 to DS1	9.6.8	\$201.88	Under Development	\$201.88	\$2,672.33
9.6.8	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.8 Multiplexing 9.6.8.3 DS1/DSO Low Side Channelization	9.6.8	\$9.01	Under Development	\$9.01	\$249.43
9.6.10	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.6 Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport (UDIT) 9.6.11 Extended Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport 9.6.11.5 OC-48 E-UDIT	9.6.10	Under Development	Under Development	\$3,299.92	\$427.89

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			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge
9.7.3	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.7 Unbundled Dark Fiber 9.7.6 Field Verification (Engineering Verification)	9.7.4		Under Development		\$360.65
9.11.1.7.1	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.11 Local Switching 9.11.6 DSO Analog Trunk Port 9.11.6.1 Unbundled Analog DSO Trunk Port, First Port	9.11.6		Under Development		\$130.04
9.16.1	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.1 LIDB Storage	9.15.1		No Charge		\$0.00
9.16.2	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.2 Line Validation Administration System Access (LVAS)			Under Development		ICB
9.16.2.2	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.2 Line Validation Administration System Access (LVAS) 9.15.2.1 LIDB Line Record Initial Load 9.15.2.1.3 Mechanized Service Account Update, Per Addition or Update Processed	9.15.2		Under Development		ICB

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9.16.2.3	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.2 Line Validation Administration System Access (LVAS) 9.15.2.1 LIDB Line Record Initial Load 9.15.2.1.4 Individual Line Record Audit	9.15.2		Under Development		ICB
9.16.2.3	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.2 Line Validation Administration System Access (LVAS) 9.15.2.1 LIDB Line Record Initial Load 9.15.2.1.5 Account Group Audit	9.15.2		Under Development		ICB
9.16.2.5	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.15 Line Information Database (LIDB) 9.15.2 Line Validation Administration System Access (LVAS) 9.15.2.1 LIDB Line Record Initial Load 9.15.2.1.6 Expedited Request Charge for Manual Updates	9.15.2		Under Development		ICB
9.16.4	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
					Recurring Fixed	Recurring per mile

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			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge
9.23.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.23 UNE Combinations 9.23.8 EEL Transport 9.23.8.6 OC-48 9.23.8.6.1 OC-48 Over 0 to 8 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$266.42
9.23.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.23 UNE Combinations 9.23.8 EEL Transport 9.23.8.6 OC-48 9.23.8.6.2 OC-48 Over 8 to 25 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$275.49
9.23.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.23 UNE Combinations 9.23.8 EEL Transport 9.23.8.6 OC-48 9.23.8.6.3 OC-48 Over 25 to 50 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$333.90
9.23.6	9.0 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs) 9.23 UNE Combinations 9.23.8 EEL Transport 9.23.8.6 OC-48 9.23.8.6.1 OC-48 Over 50 Miles	9.6.6	Under Development	Under Development	\$7,071.62	\$428.72
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, Facility Based Providers 10.4.1 Privacy Listings	10.4.1		No Charge		\$0.00

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			Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge	Recurring Charge	Non-Recurring Charge
10.8.3	10.0 Ancillary Services 10.8 Access to Poles, Ducts, Conduits and Right of Way 10.8.3 ROW Inquiry Fee	10.8.3		Under Development		\$149.23
10.8.7	10.0 Ancillary Services 10.8 Access to Poles, Ducts, Conduits and Right of Way 10.8.3 ROW Inquiry Fee	10.8.3		Under Development		\$149.23
12.1	12.0 Operational Support Services 12.1 Development and Enhancements, per Order	12.1		Under Development		\$0.00
12.2	12.0 Operational Support Services 12.2 Ongoing Maintenance, per Order		Under Development			\$0.00

Note: Items 12.1 and 12.2 were indentified as "Under Development:" on the contract. SGAT rates indicate "No Charge at this time" . \$0.00 rates were entered to replace "No Charge at the time" SGAT rates.