

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: MAY 31, 2006

RE: STAFF REVIEW OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS
CASE NOS. QWE-T-06-12 AND QWE-T-06-13.

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).

THE CURRENT APPLICATIONS

The Commission has been asked to approve the following Applications for Approval of Interconnection Agreements.

1. Qwest Corporation and Northwest Info Net, Inc. dba NWInfo Net (Case No. QWE-T-06-12). In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an agreement that includes terms and conditions for interconnection, unbundled network elements, ancillary services, resale of telecommunications services, and a Border Town Amendment to serve end user customers who physically reside in one state, but use products provided from a central office located in another state.
2. Qwest Corporation and Valley Communications of Moses Lake dba Tele-waves

(Case No. QWE-T-06-13). In this case, the parties request that the Commission approve an Agreement for Type 1 (one-way final route trunk group) and Type 2 (one-way intraLATA/interstate final route trunk group) Paging Connection Service Agreement, which will deliver calls from Qwest's end users to the paging provider's point of connections (POC).

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Applications and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes that the Applications are 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 Applications.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve the Applications for interconnection agreements?



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