

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: GRACE SEAMAN

DATE: DECEMBER 6, 2007

RE: QWEST'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT; CASE NO. QWE-T-07-11.

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

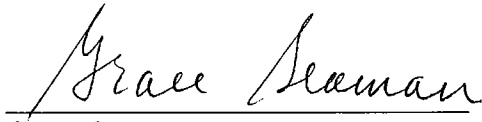
On November 26, 2007, Qwest submitted an Application for approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Utility Telephone, Inc. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an agreement that includes terms and conditions, pricing, ancillary services and resale of telecommunications services within the State of Idaho.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes that the Application 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 Approval of Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?


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