

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF FULLY NEGOTIATED AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BY:

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Verizon Northwest Inc., f/k/a GTE Northwest Incorporated

(Telecommunications Company A Name)

Qwest Corporation, f/k/a U.S. West Communications, Inc.

(Telecommunications Company B Name)

In accordance with WAC 480-07-640, Company A requests approval of the fully negotiated amendment to an interconnection agreement, as described below:

Amendment Number: 2

Description of amendment: This amendment is the second amendment to the interconnection agreement filed with this Commission in Docket UT-960351, filed by Verizon Northwest. The amendment establishes a billing factor for compensation to Verizon for transit services provided by Verizon to Qwest in Washington. The factor was determined and agreed upon based on extensive analysis of billing data by Finance and consultation with Network SMEs concerning traffic flows.

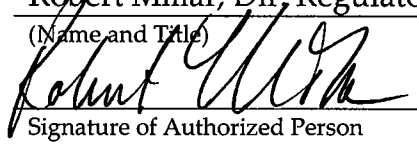
The amendment amends the interconnection agreement first approved by the Commission on 9/24/97 (date)

in WUTC Docket No. UT-UT-960351 (original docket number).

Company A represents that the amendment does not discriminate against non-party carriers, that it is consistent with state and federal law, and that it is in the public interest. By virtue of Company B's signature on the amendment, Company A believes that Company B agrees with these representations.

is authorized to file
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agreements on behalf
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ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AMENDMENT

The Commission orders:

- (1) The amended agreement, as described above, is approved and effective as of the date of this Order.
- (2) In the event that the parties revise, modify, or amend the agreement approved in this Order, the revised, modified, or amended agreement will be deemed to be a new agreement under the Telecom Act and must be submitted to the Commission for approval, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1) and relevant provisions of state law, prior to taking effect.
- (3) The laws and regulations of the State of Washington and Commission Orders govern the construction and interpretation of the Amended Agreement. The Amended Agreement is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.

The Commissioners, having reviewed the information available in this matter and having determined this Order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED and signed at Olympia, Washington, this _____ day of _____
(Month and Year)

Executive Secretary