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Ms. Carole J. Washburn, Secretary
Washington Utilities and
Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Dr. S.W.
P.O. Box 47250
Olympia, WA 98504-7254

Re: Request for Approval of Adopted Interconnection Agreement and Amendment to
Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Lightyear
Communications, Inc.

Dear Ms. Washburn:

In accordance with the Interpretive and Policy Statement issued on June 28, 1996 in Docket No. UT-960269, please find enclosed an original and two (2) copies of the Letter Agreement between Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") and Lightyear Communications, Inc. Lightyear has adopted, in its entirety, the Agreement between Qwest and Z-Tel Communications, Inc. which was allowed to go into effect on December 13, 2000 in Docket No. UT-003130 (Z-Tel had adopted the Interconnection Agreement Sprint Communication Company. L.P. and Qwest Corporation approved on August 28, 2000 in Docket No. UT-003006). Also enclosed is an original and two (2) copies of the Voice Traffic – 251(b)(5) Reciprocal Compensation Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Lightyear and Qwest.

The enclosed Agreement and Amendment do not discriminate against non-party carriers. They are consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. They are also consistent with applicable state law requirements, including Commission orders regarding interconnection issues. Qwest respectfully requests that the Commission approve the Agreement and Amendment expeditiously.

The Order on Arbitration Procedure also requests that a proposed order accompany the filing. Qwest requests a waiver of that requirement, and is not providing one with this filing, as the Commission has, in the past, used its own format for Orders. If this is not satisfactory to the Commission, please contact me and I will forward a proposed order immediately.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth M. Weber

Enclosures

cc: Mary Sullivan (without enclosure)
Kevin Shady at Lightyear (without enclosure)