

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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

Qwest Corporation

(Telecommunications Company A Name)

Broadwing Communications LLC (fka Focal Communications Corp. of Washington)

(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: 9

Description of amendment: This amendment adds terms, conditions and rates for Collocation Transfer of Responsibility, as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

The amendment amends the interconnection agreement first accepted by the Commission on March 10, 1999 in WUTC Docket No. UT-990313 between U.S. West Communications, Inc. (nka Qwest Corporation) and Focal Communications Corp. of Washington (nka Broadwing Communications, LLC)). That agreement was first approved by the Commission on April 23, 1997 between Electric Lightwave, Inc. and U.S. West Communications, Inc. in Docket No. UT-960337.

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.

Maura Peterson, Paralegal is authorized to file amendments to interconnection agreements on behalf of

Qwest Corporation

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WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
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