

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: DANIEL KLEIN

DATE: JUNE 17, 2021

RE: QWEST CORPORATION D/B/A CENTURYLINK QC'S APPLICATION
FOR APPROVAL TO AMEND THE INTERCONNECTION
AGREEMENT WITH LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC.;
CASE NO. QWE-T-21-11.

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).

THE APPLICATION


On May 14, 2021, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC's submitted an Application to amend an agreement with Level 3 Communications, LLC approved by the Commission on May 22, 2002. In this Application, the parties request that the Commission approve an amendment that includes the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC") Modernization unbundling and resale requirements.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and believes the agreement 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 an amendment to the interconnection agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?



Daniel Klein

Udmemos/QWE-T-21-11 Amended Interconnection Agreement w/Level 3 Communications, LLC