DECISION MEMORANDUM

TO: **COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER**
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FROM: **GRACE SEAMAN**

DATE: **JUNE 5, 2014**

RE: **CENTURYLINK'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF
         AMENDEMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH
         ALLIED WIRELESS COMMUNICATION CORPORATION; CASE
         NOS. CEN-T-10-02 AND CGS-T-10-02.**

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 May 30, 2014, CenturyLink of Idaho dba CenturyLink and CenturyLink of the Gem State dba CenturyLink submitted an Application for approval of amendment to the Interconnection Agreement with Allied Wireless Communication Corporation. The original Agreement was approved by the Commission on August 26, 2014. *See* Commission Order No. 32055. With this Application, the parties seek to amend the terms, conditions, and rates of the Agreement to reflect the Federal Communications Commission's ICC Bill and Keep requirements in Docket No. 01-92, *In the Matter of Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime.*

STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and believes that it comports with the FCC's Bill and Keep requirements. Further, Staff believes the Application is consistent with the public interest as indentified in the pro-competitive polices of this Commission, the Idaho Legislature, and the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Accordingly, Staff recommends Commission approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?

Grace Seaman

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