

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER HANSEN  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
LEGAL  
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**FROM:** GRACE SEAMAN

**DATE:** MAY 22, 2006

**RE:** QWEST'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT: CASE NO. QWE-T-05-22.

### 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 3, 2006, Qwest submitted a request to amend an existing interconnection agreement with Pac-West Telecomm, Inc., approved by the Commission on November 23, 2005. With this filing, the original agreement is amended by adding the terms, conditions and rates for Expedite Requests.

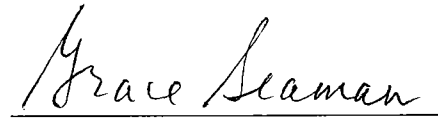
### STAFF ANALYSIS

Staff has reviewed the Application and does not find that any terms or conditions are discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. Staff believes that the Application 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 Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to approve this Application?

  
Grace Seaman

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