

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO:** COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
COMMISSIONER SMITH  
COMMISSIONER HANSEN  
COMMISSION SECRETARY  
LEGAL  
WORKING FILE

**FROM:** GRACE SEAMAN

**DATE:** FEBRUARY 6, 2006

**RE:** QWEST'S APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT; CASE NO. USW-T-99-14.

### 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 November 22, 2005, Qwest submitted a request to amend an existing interconnection agreement with Fretel Communications, LLC, approved by the Commission on September 1, 1999. With this filing, the amendment incorporates Triennial Review Order (TRO) and Triennial Review Remand Order (TRRO).

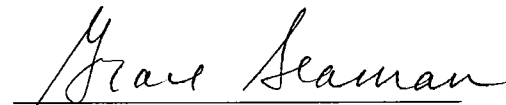
### STAFF ANALYSIS

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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