BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 01T-013

RE: THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND TIME WARNER TELECOM OF COLORADO, LLC.

DECISION APPROVING REPORT OF ADOPTION OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AMENDMENT

Mailed Date: January 3, 2003 Adopted Date: December 30, 2002

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

- 1. This matter comes before the Colorado Public Utilities Commission (Commission) on the submittal of a Report of Adoption of Previously Approved Amendment (Report of Adoption) filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Time Warner Telecom of Colorado LLC (Time Warner), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-44-6. The original Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between Qwest and Time Warner for the provision of Qwest's local exchange services was approved in Decision No. C01-157 issued February 16, 2001.
- 2. The parties filed this Report of Adoption on December 12, 2002. The parties have agreed to amend their Agreement, adopting an amendment that has been previously approved by the Commission. Specifically, Qwest and Time Warner have amended their Agreement to add

¹ Colorado Public Utilities Commission Rules Establishing Procedures Relating to Submission for Approval of Interconnection Agreements, and any Amendments to Interconnection Agreements within Colorado by Telecommunications Carriers.

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rates, terms, and conditions Direct Trunked Transport. The Direct Trunked Transport Amendment has been previously approved by the Commission in Qwest's Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and Resale of Telecommunications Services Eighth Revision, filed on April 29, 2002, as amended in compliance filings filed June 13 and 28, 2002, and as approved by the Commission on July 2, 2002 by Decision No. C02-739 in Docket No. 02M-260T, and as amended by the Commission by Decision No. C02-932 on August 2, 2002. A copy of the provisions is attached to the Report of Adoption.

- 3. The parties have complied with the requirements of 4 CCR 723-44 *et seq.* for the submission for approval of amendments to interconnection agreements. Additionally, the Report of Adoption contains all information required in 4 CCR 723-44-6.
- 4. Pursuant to § 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act), 47 U.S.C. § 252(i), an incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) shall make available any interconnection, service, or network element provided under an agreement or amendment previously approved by this Commission to which the ILEC is a party to any other requesting local exchange carrier upon the same terms and conditions as those provided in the Agreement.
- 5. Part 47 U.S.C. § 251 *et seq.*, of the Act requires that the Commission review and approve or reject interconnection agreements involving ILECs like Qwest. To comply with the Act, rates in negotiated agreements must be just and reasonable, nondiscriminatory, and based on the cost of providing the interconnection or network element. 47 U.S.C. § 252(d). In reviewing agreements (or portions thereof) the Commission, generally, is guided by 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), requiring that interconnection agreements not discriminate against non-parties and be consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

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6. The Commission has previously approved the amended rates, terms, and conditions in the Amendments adopted by the parties. We find it consistent with the terms of the Agreement, the directives of the Act, and the spirit of our own interconnection agreement rules to approve the Report of Adoption subject to our own rules and general rate-making proceedings.

II. **ORDER**

A. **The Commission Orders That:**

- 1. The joint filing of a Report of Adoption by Qwest Corporation and Time Warner Telecom of Colorado, LLC to amend their Interconnection Agreement is approved.
 - 2. This Order is effective immediately upon its Mailed Date.
 - В. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING December 30, 2002.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (S E A L)OF THE STATE OF COLORADO RAYMOND L. GIFFORD **POLLY PAGE** JIM DYER ATTEST: A TRUE COPY Bruce N. Smith

Director

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Commissioners