Decision No. C03-0316

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 03T-058

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND NEW EDGE NETWORK, INC. D/B/A NEW EDGE NETWORKS.

DECISION GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

> Mailed Date: March 27, 2003 Adopted Date: March 26, 2003

I. <u>BY THE COMMISSION</u>

A. Statement

1. This matter comes before the Commission on the joint motion of Qwest

Corporation (Qwest) and New Edge Network, Inc., doing business as New Edge Networks for approval of an Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement (Agreement). The Agreement

was initially approved in Decision No. C99-1179, issued October 29, 1999, and was amended in

Decision No. C03-0199, issued February 25, 2003.

2. The parties filed this Amendment on February 12, 2003. The parties have agreed

to amend the Agreement to add rates, terms, and conditions for DC Power Reduction Procedure,

Collocation Transfer of Responsibility, Collocation Decommission, and Collocation

Cancellation. This subject matter amendment has not been previously approved in Colorado.

3. Section 47 U.S.C. § 251 et seq., of the Act requires that the Commission review and

approve or reject interconnection agreements involving incumbent local exchange carriers like

Qwest. To comply with the Act, rates in negotiated agreements must be just and reasonable,

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nondiscriminatory, and based on the cost of providing the interconnection or network element. 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). 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.

4. The Commission has not previously approved all the amended terms and conditions proposed here. However, we find it consistent with the directives of the Act, and our own interconnection agreement rules to approve the present amended terms and conditions subject to our own rules and general ratemaking proceedings.

II. ORDER

A. The Commission Orders That:

- 1. The joint motion of Qwest Corporation and New Edge Network, Inc., doing business as New Edge Networks to amend their Interconnection Agreement is granted.
 - 2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

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B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING March 26, 2003.

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THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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Commissioners

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