

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

DOCKET NO. 00T-611

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IN THE MATTER OF THE VERIFIED JOINT APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND  
VR TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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**DECISION APPROVING REPORT OF ADOPTION OF  
LANGUAGE IN A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED STATEMENT  
OF GENERALLY AVAILABLE TERMS AND CONDITIONS  
FOR INTERCONNECTION, UNBUNDLED NETWORK  
ELEMENTS, ANCILLARY SERVICES AND RESALE OF  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES (SGAT)**

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Mailed Date: September 24, 2003  
Adopted Date: September 24, 2003

**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 filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Complete Telecommunications Inc., formerly known as VR Telecommunications (Complete), pursuant to Commission Rule 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-44-6. The original Interconnection Agreement (Agreement) between Qwest and Complete for the provision of Qwest's local exchange services was approved in Decision No. C00-1383 issued December 6, 2000.

2. The Parties filed this Report of Adoption on September 9, 2003. The Parties have agreed voluntarily to amend their Agreement by adding rates, terms, and conditions for UNE-P Line Splitting, taken from Section 9.21.1-9.21.7 of Qwest's Ninth Revised Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements,

Ancillary Services and resale of Telecommunications Services (SGAT), effective May 5, 2003 pursuant to Decision No. C03-0464.

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. Section 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.

6. The Commission has previously approved the rates, terms, and conditions in the SGAT language adopted by the Parties. We find it consistent with the directives of the Act, and 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 Complete Telecommunications, Inc., formerly known as VR Telecommunications to amend their original Interconnection Agreement, adopted in Decision No. C00-1383 issued December 6, 2000, is approved.

2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
September 24, 2003**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY

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Director

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