Decision No. C04-1025

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

DOCKET NO. 04T-421

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND QUALITY TELEPHONE, INC.

# DECISION APPROVING REPORT OF ADOPTION OF PREVIOUSLY APPROVED INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Mailed Date: August 30, 2004 Adopted Date: August 25, 2004

## 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 Interconnection Agreement (Report of Adoption) filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Quality Telephone, Inc. (Quality), pursuant to 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* (CCR) 723-44-6.
- 2. [errata correction replacing entire previous ¶ I.A.2.] The parties filed this Report of Adoption on August 10, 2004. Quality has voluntarily adopted Qwest's interconnection agreement with Sprint Communications Company, L.P., approved in Commission Decision No. 04T-0172, issued on February 18, 2004. The Parties have complied with the requirements of 4 CCR 723-44 et seq. for the approval of interconnection agreements. The Parties filed this Report of Adoption on August 10, 2004. Quality has voluntarily adopted Qwest's Ninth Revised

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Colorado Public Utilities Commission Rules Establishing Procedures Relating to Interconnection Agreements, and any Amendment to Interconnection Agreements Within Colorado by Telecommunications Carriers.

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Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and Resale of Telecommunication Services (SGAT). The Ninth Revised SGAT originally became effective on May 3, 2003 pursuant to Commission Decision No. C03 0464, and has been subsequently amended. Rates are taken from SGAT Exhibit A. The Parties have complied with the requirements of 4 CCR 723 44 et seq. for the submission for approval of interconnection agreements.

- 3. Pursuant to § 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act), 47 U.S.C. § 252(i), "a local exchange carrier shall make available any interconnection, service, or network element provided under an agreement approved under this section to which it is a party to any other requesting telecommunications carrier upon the same terms and conditions as those provided in the agreement."
- 4. 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, 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 is generally guided by 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), which requires that interconnection agreements not discriminate against non-parties and that they be consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.
- 5. 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.

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## II. ORDER

#### **A.** The Commission Orders That:

- 1. [errata correction replacing entire previous Order ¶ II.A.1.] The joint filing of a Report of Adoption by Qwest Corporation and Quality Telephone, Inc., to adopt the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. approved by the Commission in Decision No. C04-0172, issued February 18, 2004, is granted. The joint filing of a Report of Adoption by Qwest Corporation and Quality Telephone, Inc., to adopt Qwest Corporation's Ninth Revised Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and Resale of Telecommunication Services is granted.
  - 2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.
  - B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING August 25, 2004.

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