BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 01T-013

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

DECISION GRANTING JOINT MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

Mailed Date: April 1, 2004 Adopted Date: March 31, 2004

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

A. Statement

- 1. This matter comes before the Commission on the joint motions of Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Time Warner Telecom of Colorado, LLC (Time Warner) for approval of Amendments to their Interconnection Agreement (Agreement). The Agreement was initially approved in Decision No. C01-157, issued February 16, 2001, and then subsequently amended.
- 2. The motions seek approval of an amendment adding rates terms and conditions for collocation available inventory, and an amendment adding rates terms and conditions for a special promotion for available inventory of collocation sites. The Parties filed these voluntarily negotiated Amendments on February 20, 2004, pursuant to 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-44-4.
- 3. Under the terms of 47 U.S.C. § 252(i), the "pick and choose" provision of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the "Act"), Time Warner may at some future date opt into the

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rates, terms and conditions of Commission approved and currently effective agreements, amendments, SGATs or tariffs:

- [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. 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 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.
- 5. The Commission has not previously approved all of the amended rates 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 motions of Qwest Corporation and Time Warner Telecom of Colorado, LLC to amend their Interconnection Agreement by adding rates, terms and conditions for collocation available inventory and rates, terms and conditions for a special promotion for available inventory collocation sites are granted.
 - 2. This Order is effective upon its Mailed Date.

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B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING March 31, 2004.

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