Decision No. C04-1090

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

DOCKET NO. 04T-404

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: September 15, 2004 Adopted Date: September 14, 2004

I. BY THE COMMISSION

A. Statement

- 1. This matter comes before the Commission on the joint motion of Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Time Warner Telecom of Colorado, LLC (Time Warner) for approval of an Amendment to their Interconnection Agreement (Agreement). The Agreement was initially approved by the Commission in a Decision issued September 14, 2004.
- 2. The motion seeks approval of an amendment adding rates, terms, and conditions for collocation available inventory, and collocation decommission. The Parties filed this voluntarily negotiated Amendment on August 4, 2004, pursuant to 4 *Code of Colorado Regulations* 723-44-4.

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3. Under the terms of 47 U.S.C. § 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Time Warner may at some future date opt into terms and conditions of Commission approved and currently effective agreements:

- [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 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 motion 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 collocation decomission is granted.
 - 2. This Order is effective on its Mailed Date.

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B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING September 14, 2004.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
Commissioners
CHAIRMAN GREGORY E. SOPKIN
ABSENT.

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