

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING FOR) APPROVAL OF FOURTH AND FIFTH) AMENDMENTS TO AN INTERCONNECTION) AGREEMENT BETWEEN QWEST) CORPORATION AND DSLNET) COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)	ORDER APPROVING FOURTH AND FIFTH AMENDMENTS TO AGREEMENT TC01-012
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On February 2, 2001, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for approval by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) fourth and fifth amendments to an interconnection agreement between DSLnet Communications, LLC (DSLnet) and Qwest. The fourth amendment is made to add Unbundled Loops to the agreement as set forth in Attachment 1. The fifth amendment is made in order to replace the Interim Line Sharing Agreement DSLnet entered into on May 3, 2000, and to add terms, conditions and rates for Line Sharing as set forth in Attachment 1.

On February 8, 2001, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing of the fourth and fifth amendments to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until February 22, 2001, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed March 6, 2001, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the negotiated fourth and fifth amendments to the agreement between Qwest and DSLnet. Commission Staff recommended its approval.


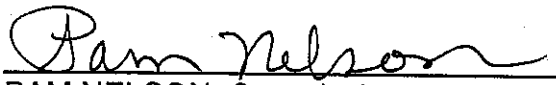
The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), the Commission found that the fourth and fifth amendments do not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the fourth and fifth amendments and the fourth and fifth amendments are consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the fourth and fifth amendments to the agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the negotiated fourth and fifth amendments to the agreement as described herein.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of March, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.	
By:	<i>Nelline Kelbo</i>
Date:	<u>3/12/01</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

 _____ JAMES A. BURG, Chairman
 _____ PAM NELSON, Commissioner