ATTACHMENT 4 FORM OF ACCESS AGREEMENT

After recording, please return to: <u>Manager</u> 700 W Mineral, Rm IAF12 Littleton, CO 80120

ACCESS AGREEMENT

THIS ACCESS AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") is made as of the ____ day of ____, 20__, by and between QWEST CORPORATION, a Colorado corporation, successor in interest to U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a Colorado corporation ("<u>Grantor</u>"), whose address is _____, and _____, a _____, whose address is

("<u>Grantee</u>").

RECITALS

A. This Agreement relates to certain real property (the "<u>Property</u>") located in the County of ______(the "<u>County</u>"), State of _______(the "<u>State</u>").

B. A copy of an agreement purporting to grant to Grantor certain rights to use the Property, as described therein (the "<u>Easement Rights</u>"), is attached as <u>Exhibit A</u> (the "<u>Right of Way Agreement</u>").

C. Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 224 and 251(b)(5), Grantor, as a Local Exchange Carrier, is required to provide access to rights-of-way to a requesting telecommunications carrier, as defined in 47 U.S.C. § 224. Grantee is a telecommunications carrier that has requested access to Grantor's Easement Rights. To comply with the aforementioned legal requirement, Grantor has agreed to share with Grantee its Easement Rights, if any, relating to the Property, to the extent Grantor may legally convey such an interest.

D. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Grantor has agreed to convey to Grantee, without any representation or warranty, the right to use the Easement Rights, and Grantee has agreed to accept such conveyance.

NOW, THEREFORE, for Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

<u>1. Grant of Right of Access</u>. Grantor hereby conveys to Grantee and its Authorized Users (as defined below) a non-exclusive, perpetual right to access and use the Easement Rights, which right shall be expressly (a) subject to, subordinate to, and limited by the Right of Way Agreement, and (b) subject to the terms and conditions hereof. As used in this Agreement, "<u>Authorized Users</u>" of Owner, Grantor and Grantee shall mean Owner, Grantor or Grantee, as applicable, their respective Affiliates and agents, licensees, employees, and invitees, including, without limitation, contractors, subcontractors, consultants, suppliers, public emergency vehicles, shipping or delivery vehicles, or construction vehicles. "<u>Affiliates</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any Person that controls, is controlled by or is under common control

with such Person, together with its and their respective members, partners, venturers, directors, officers, stockholders, agents, employees and spouses. A Person shall be presumed to have control when it possesses the power, directly or indirectly, to direct, or cause the direction of, the management or policies of another Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by contract, or otherwise. "<u>Person</u>" means an individual, partnership, limited liability company, association, corporation or other entity.

<u>2. Grantor's Reserved Rights</u>. Grantor reserves to itself and its Authorized Users the right to use the Easement Rights for any purpose not incompatible with the rights conveyed to Grantee by this Agreement.

<u>3. Conditions Precedent to Effectiveness of Agreement</u>. This Agreement is expressly conditioned on the following:

<u>a. Recordation of Agreement</u>. If the Right-of-Way Agreement has been publicly recorded, Grantee shall be responsible for assuring that the Agreement is in appropriate form for recording in the real property records of the County, shall pay for the recording thereof, and shall provide a copy of the recorded Agreement to Grantor at the address set forth above. A legible copy of the Right of Way Agreement must be attached to the Agreement when recorded or the Agreement shall not be effective.

<u>b. Payment of Costs and Expenses</u>. Grantee shall pay to or reimburse Grantor for all reasonable costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees, directly relating to Grantor's execution and delivery of this Agreement.¹²

4. Grantee's Representations and Warranties. Grantee represents and warrants to Grantor that:

<u>a. Authority</u>. Grantee is a ______, duly formed and validly existing under the laws of the State of ______. All necessary action has been taken by Grantee to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform the obligations set forth hereunder. Grantee is a "telecommunications carrier" as that term is defined in 47 U.S.C. § 224.

<u>b. Due Diligence</u>. Grantee acknowledges and agrees that neither Grantor nor any agent, employee, attorney, or representative of Grantor has made any statements, agreements, promises, assurances, representations, or warranties, whether in this Agreement or otherwise and whether express or implied, regarding the Right of Way Agreement or the Easement Rights or the assignability or further granting thereof, or title to or the environmental or other condition of the Property. Grantee further acknowledges and agrees that Grantee has examined and investigated to its full satisfaction the physical nature and condition of the Property and the Easement Rights and that it is acquiring the Easement Rights in an "AS IS, WHERE IS" condition. Grantee expressly waives all claims for damages by reason of any statement, representation, warranty, assurance, promise or agreement made, if any.

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5. Grantee's Covenants.

<u>a. Compliance with Right of Way Agreement</u>. Grantee agrees that the rights granted by Grantor hereunder are expressly subject to, subordinate to, and limited by the Right of Way Agreement, and Grantee further agrees to comply in all respects with the terms and conditions of the Right of Way Agreement as they apply to the holder or user of the Easement Rights. In the event Grantee fails to observe or perform any of its obligations under the Right of Way Agreement, Grantor shall have the right, but not the obligation, to perform or observe such obligation to the extent that such obligation can be observed or performed by Grantor.

<u>b. Compliance with Laws</u>. Grantee agrees to use the Property and the Easement Rights in compliance with all applicable laws.

<u>c. No Further Grant</u>. Grantee shall not grant to any Person other than Grantee's Authorized Users the right to use the Easement Rights without the prior written consent of Grantor, which consent may be granted or withheld in Grantor's sole discretion.

<u>d. Non-Interference</u>. Grantee agrees that it will not interfere with Grantor's or Grantor's Authorized Users' use of the Easement Rights and will not take any action or fail to take any action that would negatively affect the Easement Rights or cause or contribute to the termination of the Right of Way Agreement.

6. Indemnification. Grantee hereby agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Owner, Grantor and their respective Affiliates harmless from and against any and all claims, judgments, damages, liabilities, penalties, fines, suits, causes of action, costs of settlement, and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees) which may be imposed upon or incurred by Grantor or its Authorized Users, or any of them, arising from, relating to or caused by Grantee's breach of this Agreement or the use, or the use by any of Grantee's Authorized Users, of the Easement Rights. In addition to the indemnity obligations described above, in the event that any act or omission of Grantee or Grantee's Authorized Users causes, directly or indirectly, and without reference to any act or omission of Owner, Grantor or their respective Authorized users, the termination or revocation of the Easement Rights, Grantee shall be liable to Grantor for all costs incurred in connection with (a) acquiring replacement Easement Rights over the Property or over other suitable Property, as determined in Grantor's sole judgment (the "Replacement Easement"), (b) the fully-loaded cost of constructing replacement facilities over the Replacement Easement, (c) the cost of removing its facilities and personal property from the Property, if required by the Right of Way Agreement, and (d) any other costs of complying with the Right of Way Agreement, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees. Grantee shall pay all such amounts within ten (10) days of receipt of any invoice for such costs delivered to Grantee by Owner, Grantor or their respective Authorized Users.

<u>7. Condemnation</u>. If any action is taken whereby the Right of Way Agreement or any part of the Easement Rights are terminated, relocated or otherwise affected, by any taking or partial taking by a governmental authority or otherwise, then such any compensation due or to be paid to the holder of the Easement Rights due to such occurrence shall belong solely to Grantor.

<u>8. Severable Provisions</u>. If any term of this Agreement shall, to any extent, be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this Agreement shall not be affected thereby, and each term of this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable to the fullest extent permitted by law.

<u>9. Default; Remedies</u>. (a) If Grantee files a petition in bankruptcy, or a petition is bankruptcy is filed against Grantee, which is not dismissed on or before fifteen (15) days after such filing, or (b) in the event of Grantee's breach or threatened breach of any term, covenant or condition of this Agreement, then Grantor shall have, in addition to all other legal and equitable remedies, the right to (x) terminate

this Agreement, (y) enforce the provisions hereof by the equitable remedy of specific performance, or (z) enjoin such breach or threatened breach by injunctive action, all without the necessity of proof of actual damages or inadequacy of any legal remedy. Grantee agrees to pay all costs of enforcement of the obligations of Grantee hereunder, including reasonable attorneys' fees and all costs of suit, in case it becomes necessary for Grantor to enforce the obligations of Grantee hereunder, whether suit be brought or not, and whether through courts of original jurisdiction, as well as in courts of appellate jurisdiction, or through a bankruptcy court or other legal proceedings.

<u>10. Binding Effect</u>. This Agreement shall be binding on and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns. This Agreement may be assigned at any time in whole or in part by Grantor.

<u>11. No Dedication</u>. Nothing contained in this Agreement shall constitute a gift or dedication of any portion of the Easement Rights to the general public or for any public purpose whatsoever. There are no intended third-party beneficiaries to this Agreement.

<u>12. Grantor's Waiver of Confidentiality</u>. If the Right of Way Agreement is not publicly recorded, Grantor hereby reserves any right it may have to keep the terms and conditions of the Right of Way Agreement confidential as to parties other than Grantee or to keep the dollar amounts in the Right of Way Agreement confidential, which rights Grantor expressly reserves. <u>13. Notices</u>. All notices to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed delivered (a) when personally delivered, or (b) three (3) business days after being mailed postage prepaid, by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, or (c) one business day after being timely delivered to an overnight express courier service such as Federal Express which provides for the equivalent of a return receipt to the sender, to the above described addresses of the parties hereto, or to such other address as a party may request in a writing complying with the provisions of this Section.¹³

<u>14. Modification; Counterparts</u>. This Agreement may not be amended, modified or changed, nor shall any waiver of any provision hereof be effective, except by an instrument in writing and signed by the party against whom enforcement of any amendment, modification, change or waiver is sought. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, all of which shall constitute but one and the same document.

<u>15. Controlling Law</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State.

<u>16. Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF APPLICABLE LAW, ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY ACTION, PROCEEDING OR COUNTERCLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT.

[Signature pages follow]

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EXECUTED as of the date first written above.

GRANTOR:

Witnessed by:	QWEST CORPORATION, a Colorado corporation, successor in interest to U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., a Colorado corporation	
STATE OF	By: Name: Title:)	
COUNTY OF) ss:)	
20, by	owledged before me this day of, as of QWEST CORPORATION, a Colorado	
	Witness my hand and official seal.	
(SEAL)		
	Notary Public My Commission Expires:	

EXECUTED as of the date first written above.

GRANTEE:

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	Notary Public My Commission Expires:

CONSENT TO DISCLOSURE

THE UNDERSIGNED,	, a (" <u>Owner</u> "),
whose address is	, hereby
consents to the terms of the following paragraphs regarding t	the agreement described or entitled as
between Qwes	st Corporation, formerly U S WEST
Communications, Inc. ("Qwest") and Owner for the property I	located at
("Property") that provide	es Qwest with access to Owner's Property
(the " <u>Agreement</u> ").	

FOR TEN DOLLARS (\$10) and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, Owner agrees as follows:

1. <u>Title to Property</u>. Owner represents and warrants either (a) that Owner is the owner of fee title to the Property described in the Agreement or, if no description of the Property is given in the Agreement, then (b) that Owner is the grantor, or the successor to or assignee of the grantor, of the easement rights, if any, under the Agreement. Owner further represents and warrants that Owner has the legal right to execute this Consent to Disclosure, including, without limitation, the right to waive the confidentiality of the Agreement as set forth in paragraph 3 of this Consent to Disclosure.

2. <u>Owner's Acknowledgments</u>. Owner expressly acknowledges that (a) this is a legal document that may affect Owner's rights and Owner was given the opportunity to have the Agreement and this Consent to Disclosure reviewed by Owner's attorney; and (b) Owner, by signing this Consent to Disclosure, waives any rights it may have to keep the terms and provisions of the Agreement confidential.

<u>Owner's Waiver of Confidentiality</u>. Owner hereby waives any right it may have to keep the terms and conditions of the Agreement confidential, whether or not such right to confidentiality is expressly set forth in the Agreement or elsewhere or may have been agreed to orally, subject to the compliance of the competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") with the requirements of paragraph 5. Owner further covenants not to assert any claim or commence any action, lawsuit, or other legal proceeding against Qwest or CLEC presenting this Consent to Disclosure, based upon or arising out of Owner's alleged right to confidentiality relating to the Agreement. Owner's consent to disclosure applies only to the Agreement that is described in this Consent to Disclosure form and only to the undersigned CLEC.
Qwest's Waiver of Confidentiality. Qwest represents and warrants that it is granting a limited waiver of its confidentiality rights that permits CLEC to review the Agreement subject to CLEC's compliance with the requirements of paragraph 5 and Qwest's right to redact all dollar amounts set forth in the Agreement. Qwest's consent to disclosure applies only to the Agreement that is described in this Consent to disclosure applies only to the Agreement that is described in the requirements of paragraph 5 and Qwest's right to redact all dollar amounts set forth in the Agreement. Qwest's consent to disclosure applies only to the Agreement that is described in this Consent to Disclosure applies only to the Agreement that is described in this

5. CLEC's Obligations. CLEC shall use the Agreement exclusively for the following purposes and for no other purpose whatsoever:

(a) to determine whether Qwest has ownership or control over duct, conduits, or rights-of-way within the Property described in the Agreement; or

(b) to determine the ownership of wire within the Property described in the Agreement; or

(c) to determine the demarcation point between Qwest facilities and the Owner's facilities in the Property described in the Agreement.

to the extent the agreement affects any property interest of a third-party owner, any (d) provision(s) that describe the property, including any metes and bound or other legal description of the property;

- the term of the agreement; and (e)
- the parties to the agreement.¹⁴ (f)

CLEC further agrees that CLEC shall not disclose the contents, terms, or conditions of the Agreement to any CLEC agents or employees engaged in sales, marketing, or product management efforts on behalf of CLEC.

6. Acknowledgement of Limitation on Waivers. **Owner understands that Qwest does not agree to** waive the confidentiality of the dollar amounts set forth in any Agreement, and acknowledges that Owner has no right to provide copies of such Agreements to any party unless Owner has completely deleted the dollar amounts. Owner shall not provide a copy of the Agreement unless Owner has completely deleted all dollar amounts. Whether provided by Owner or Qwest, CLEC shall comply with the conditions set forth in paragraph 5.

7. Notices. All notices to be given pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed delivered (a) when personally delivered, or (b) three (3) business days after being mailed postage prepaid, by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, or (c) one business day after being timely delivered to an overnight express courier service such as Federal Express which provides for the equivalent of a return receipt to the sender, to the above described addresses of the parties hereto, or to such other address as a party may request in a writing complying with the provisions of this Section.

EXECUTED as of the date first written above.

OWNER:

CLEC:

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