

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF
THE AMENDMENT TO THE
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND XO
COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.**

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**ORDER APPROVING
AMENDMENT TO
AGREEMENT**

TC11-026

On May 17, 2011, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing for approval of the amendment to the interconnection agreement of adding terms and conditions relating to xDSL Capable Loops between Qwest Corporation and XO Communications Services, Inc. for the state of South Dakota. Any party wishing to comment may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the Agreement no later than June 6, 2011. Parties to the Agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments. The Commission did not receive any comments on this matter.

At its June 14, 2011, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the negotiated amendment to the agreement between Qwest Corporation and XO Communications Services. Commission Staff recommended 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 agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement and the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the agreement.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and XO Communications Services.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 29th day of June, 2011.

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, electronically.
By: <u><i>Les Ardahl</i></u>
Date: <u>6-29-11</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Vice Chairman

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner