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Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Transit Rate Calculation Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement  
between Qwest Corporation and 360networks (USA) inc. for the State of  
North Dakota

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Enclosed for filing for approval by the North Dakota Public Service Commission pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252 and N.D. Cent. Code § 49-21-01.7 is the Transit Rate Calculation Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and 360networks (USA) inc. for the State of North Dakota.

Contact information for 360networks (USA) inc. is as follows:

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We will forward an electronic copy of the Agreement to you for posting on the Commission's website.

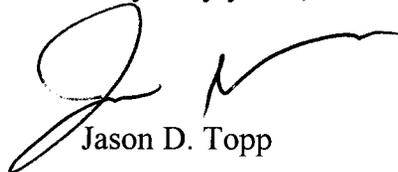
Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco

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Thank you for your help with this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. D. Topp', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jason D. Topp

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Enclosure

cc: Ron Gustafson (via e-mail)  
Michel Singer Nelson (via e-mail)  
Gina Buchholtz (via e-mail)

**Transit Rate Calculation Amendment  
to the Interconnection Agreement between  
Qwest Corporation  
And  
360networks (USA) inc.  
for the State of North Dakota**

This is an Amendment ("Amendment") for Transit Rate Calculation to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), a Colorado corporation, and 360networks (USA) inc. ("CLEC"), a Nevada corporation. Qwest and CLEC shall be known jointly as the "Parties".

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Interconnection Agreement, for service in the State of North Dakota, that was approved by the North Dakota Public Service Commission on April 17, 2006, as referenced in Docket No. PU-06-34 ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement under the terms and conditions contained herein.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

**Amendment Terms**

The Agreement is hereby amended by adding terms and conditions to calculate the rate for which CLEC will pay to Qwest for Transit Traffic, as that term is defined in the Agreement. Such additional terms and conditions are set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A to this Amendment, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Effective Date**

This Amendment is subject to approval by the Commission; however, the Parties agree to implement the agreed to rates as of June 10, 2008.

**Further Amendments**

Except as modified herein, the provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect. The provisions of this Amendment, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions of this Amendment may not be given without the written consent thereto by both Parties' authorized representative. No waiver by any Party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, will be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any prior or subsequent such occurrence.

**Entire Agreement**

The Agreement as amended (including the documents referred to herein) constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the Parties with regard to the subjects of the Agreement as amended and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements, or representations by or between the Parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subjects of the Agreement as amended.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the dates set forth below, in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**360networks (USA) inc.**

Gary Ray  
Signature

Gary Ray  
Name Printed/Typed

VP / GC  
Title

6.26.08  
Date

**Qwest Corporation**

L. T. Christensen  
Signature

L. T. Christensen  
Name Printed/Typed

Director – Interconnection Agreements  
Title

6/27/08  
Date

## ATTACHMENT 1

### DETERMINATION OF TRANSIT RATE

Qwest and CLEC agree that the following calculation process will determine the rate for Transiting Services provided by Qwest under this Agreement. This rate will supersede and replace the rate listed in Sections 7.9.1 and 7.9.2 of Exhibit A of the Agreement. Qwest and CLEC agree to perform the calculation process on an annual basis, from the date that this Amendment is effective. The initial rate agreed to is based on the formula that follows and is set forth in Exhibit A. The process for determination of the rate is as follows:

Qwest and CLEC will review the most recent three months' of transiting records between Qwest and CLEC. All terminating carriers for which more than 200,000 minutes of use ("MOUs") receive traffic originating from CLEC are determined and all MOUs terminating to those carriers are then added together ("DS1 Volume MOUs"). The DS1 Volume MOUs are then divided by the total number of transiting MOUs (the "Blended Ratio").

The Blended Ratio is multiplied by \$.0045 and that product is added to the product of (1-Blended Ratio) multiplied by (\$0.0021000 [TELRIC]). This sum will be the new Transit Rate until the next recalculation.

**Exhibit A  
North Dakota**

				Recurring	Recurring Per Mile	Non- Recurring	REC Mile	REC per Mile	NRG
7.0	<b>Interconnection Facility Options</b>								
7.9	<b>Transit Traffic</b>								
	7.9.1	Local Transit, per Minute of Use (Local Transit Assumed Mileage = 15 Miles)		\$0.0021000			15		
	7.9.2	IntraLATA Toll Transit (IntraLATA Toll Transit Assumed Mileage = 15 Miles)		Qwest's North Dakotas Access Service Catalog	Qwest's North Dakotas Access Service Catalog				
<b>NOTES:</b>									
	15	Rates negotiated by the parties based on CLEC specific traffic pattern.							