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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT
SFN 2053 (4-2002)

PU-2526-01-159

Citizens Telecommunications Company of ND/Skyland
Interconnection Agreement

Application

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Filed 4/5/2001

Closed 6/7/2001

DESCRIPTION

Scott, Sandi L.

From: Bauske, Shelly A.
Sent: Tuesday, October 02, 2001 10:32 AM
To: Geiger, Gloria A.; Scott, Sandi L.
Subject: Money Received.....

Case No. PU-2526-01-159
Skyland Technologies
\$80.77

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\$80.77 received

by Skyland Technologies, Inc.

10/02/2001

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry .

Scott, Sandi L.

From: Bauske, Shelly A.
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2001 9:00 AM
To: Scott, Sandi L.
Subject: FW: Money Received.....

-----Original Message-----

From: **Geiger, Gloria A.**
Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2001 8:47 AM
To: Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: RE: Money Received.....

-----Original Message-----

From: **Bauske, Shelly A.**
Sent: Monday, July 16, 2001 4:03 PM
To: Geiger, Gloria A.
Subject: Money Received.....

Case No. PU-2526-01-159
Citizens Communications
\$80.78

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Pages: 0

\$80.78 received

by Citizens Telecommunications Company of ND/Skyk

07/16/2001

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry .

APPROVED

DATE: 6/27/01

MOTION

June 27, 2001

Citizens Telecommunications Company of
North Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc.
Interconnection Agreement
Application

Case No. PU-2526-01-159

I move the Commission bill Citizens Telecommunications Company of
North Dakota and Skyland Technologies, Inc. for costs incurred to date in Case
No. PU-2526-01-159, Citizens Telecommunications Company of North
Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc., Interconnection Agreement, Application.



Public Service Commission
State of North Dakota

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June 27, 2001

Lance Tade
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Salt Lake City UT 84180

Mike Sherd
Skyland Technologies Inc
PO Box 5807
Helena MT 59604-5807

RE: Case No. PU-2526-01-159
Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota/
Skyland Technologies, Inc.
Interconnection Agreement
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Enclosed is a copy of the statement approved at the June 27, 2001 Public Service Commission meeting for the expenses incurred to date in Case No. PU-2526-01-159.

Under N.D.C.C. 49-21-01.7, these expenses are billed through the Valuation Fund and must be paid for by the telecommunications company involved.

Please make your check payable to the Public Service Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Gloria Geiger".

Gloria Geiger
Admin Staff Officer
701-328-2401

Enc.

Billing Statement

June 27, 2001

Citizens Telecommunications Company of
North Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc.
Interconnection Agreement
Application

Case No. PU-2526-01-159

Expenses Incurred to Date:

Advertising Costs	\$161.55
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Amount Due:

Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota	\$80.78
Skyland Technologies, Inc.	\$80.77

Send Payment and a Copy of this Statement To:

Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408
Bismarck ND 58505-0480

Federal Tax ID 45-0309764

PLEASE NOTE

In order for the Commission to close its books at the end of the biennium, **WE NEED TO RECEIVE YOUR PAYMENT NO LATER THAN JULY 16, 2001.**

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc. Case No. PU-2526-01-159
Interconnection Agreement
Application

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND ORDINARY MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Sharon Helbling deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the 7th day of June , 2001, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, two envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

Order Approving Interconnection Agreement

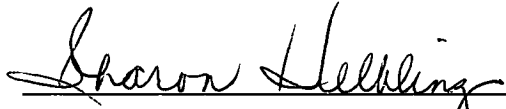
The envelopes were addressed as follows:


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Citizens Coimunications
4 Triad Ctr Ste 200
Salt Lake City UT 84180
Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8655 4923

Mike Sherd
Skyland Technologies Inc
P O Box 5807
Helena MT 59604-5807
Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8655 4930

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 7th day of June , 2001.





Notary Public

SEAL



APPROVED

MOTION

DATE: 6-6-01
KMF

June 6, 2001

**Citizens Telecommunications Company of North
Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc.
Interconnection Agreement
Application**

Case No. PU-2526-01-159

I move the Commission adopt the Order Approving Interconnection Agreement in the application of Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota for approval of interconnection agreement negotiated with Skyland Technologies, Inc., Case No. PU-2526-01-159.

JRL/sdh

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc.
Interconnection Agreement
Application** **Case No. PU-2526-01-159**

ORDER APPROVING INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

June 6, 2001

On April 5, 2001 Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota (Citizens) filed an application for approval of an Agreement to Modify and Assume Obligations Under an Interconnection Agreement negotiated with Skyland Technologies, Inc. (Skyland) of Helena, MT. This agreement sets forth rates, terms and conditions under which Citizens agrees to provide services for resale.

The agreement was filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under section 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement (or portion thereof) adopted by negotiation if it finds that:

1. the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement;
2. the implementation of the agreement (or portion thereof) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In addition, the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry under section 253.

On April 25, 2001, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments which provided that the Commission would receive written comments on the agreement until May 30, 2001. No comments have been received.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and does not find that it discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement. The Commission finds that implementation of the agreement is not inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Order

The Commission orders:

1. The interconnection agreement negotiated between Citizens and Skyland Technologies, Inc. filed with the Commission on April 5, 2001, is APPROVED.

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Order Approving Interconnection
Agreement
by Public Service Commission

06/06/2001

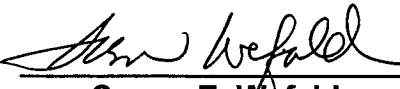
CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

2. The Commission retains continuing jurisdiction over the agreement at all times.
3. Notice of any changes to the agreement must be filed promptly with the Commission.
4. The agreement must not be assigned, assumed or otherwise transferred without the approval of the Commission.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Anthony T. Clark
Commissioner



Susan E. Wefald
President



Leo M. Reinbold
Commissioner

Affidavit of Publication

State of North Dakota)
County of Burleigh)

JUN - 5 2001

Laurie Thiel

, being duly sworn, state as follows:

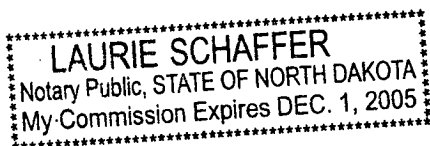
1. I am the designated agent, under the provisions and for the purposes of, Section 31-04-06, NDCC, for the newspapers listed on the attached exhibits.
2. The newspapers listed on the exhibits published the advertisement of:
Citizens-Integra, 1 time(s)
as required by law or ordinance.
3. All of the listed newspapers are legal newspapers in the State of North Dakota and, under the provisions of Section 46-05-01, NDCC, are qualified to publish any public notice or any matter required by law or ordinance to be printed or published in a newspaper in North Dakota.

Signed:

Laurie Thiel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29th day of May A.D. 2001.

Laura Schaffer



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by North Dakota Advertising Service, Inc.
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NORTH DAKOTA ADVERTISING SERVICE, INC.

1435 Interstate Loop • Bismarck, ND 58501-4058 • PHONE (701) 223-6397 • FAX 223-8185

INVOICE

Date: 06/01/2001

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To:

JON H. MIELKE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE CAPITOL
BISMARCK ND 58505

JUN - 5 2001

Client: Public Service Commission

Order: 01051PP0

Newspaper	Date	Inches	Rate	Amount
Bismarck Tribune	Citizens - 05/02/2001	86.00 SPR2	0.61	52.46
Devils Lake Daily Journal	Citizens - 05/02/2001	84.00 SPR2	0.57	47.88
Dickinson Press	Citizens - 05/02/2001	94.00 SPR2	0.52	48.88
Fargo, The Forum	Citizens - 05/07/2001	70.00 SPR2	0.73	51.10
Grand Forks Herald	Citizens - 05/02/2001	81.00 SPR2	0.61	49.41
Jamestown Sun	Citizens - 05/02/2001	97.00 SPR2	0.50	48.50
Minot Daily News	Citizens - 05/02/2001	98.00 SPR2	0.42	41.16
Valley City Times-Record	Citizens - 05/02/2001	94.00 SPR2	0.52	48.88
Wahpeton Daily News	Citizens - 05/02/2001	94.00 SPR2	0.52	48.88
Williston Herald	Citizens - 05/02/2001	88.00 SPR2	0.54	47.52

*** ADVERTISING TOTAL 484.67

*** TOTAL DUE 484.67

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06/05/2001

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

This invoice is due and payable upon receipt. Unpaid items over 30 days from invoice date are subject to a finance charge. The finance charge is computed by a periodic rate of 1 3/4 percent per month (or a minimum charge of 50 cents for balances of under \$50), which is an annual percentage rate of 21 percent.

Total unpaid balance may be paid at any time.

Please pay from this invoice - No statement will be sent. Return duplicate with remittance to North Dakota Advertising Service, Inc.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
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Dakota/Skyland Technologies, Inc.
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Application

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WWC Holding Co., Inc./Reservation Telephone
Cooperative
Interconnection Agreement Amendment
Application

Case No. PU-2528-01-162

Integra Telecom of North Dakota, Inc./Qwest
Corporation
Interconnection Agreement Amendment
Application

Case No. PU-2463-01-185

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND ORDINARY MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Sharon Helbling deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **26th day of April, 2001**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **six** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Dan Kuntz
P O Box 1695
Bismarck ND 58502-1695

Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2364

Michael Bosh
Pringle & Herigstad
P O Box 1000
Minot ND 58702-1000

Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2388

Lance Tade
Citizens Coimunications
4 Triad Ctr Ste 200
Salt Lake City UT 84180

Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2371

Gene Sloan
Reservation Telephone Cooperative
P O Box 68
Parshall ND 58770

Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2395

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Affidavits of Service

by Public Service Commission

04/26/2001

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry .

WWC Holding Co Inc
Regulatory Department
3650 131st Ave SE
Bellevue WA 98006
Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2401

Deborah Harwood
Integra Telcom Inc
19545 NW Von Neumann Dr Ste 200
Beaverton OR 97006
Cert. No. 7000 0520 0022 8654 2418

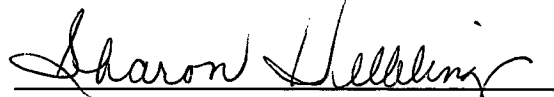
Sharon Helbling further deposes and says that on the **26th day of April, 2001**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **two** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

Scott Macintosh
Qwest Corporation
P O Box 5508
Bismarck ND 58502-5508

Dir-Interconnection Compliance
Qwest Corporation
1801 California St Rm 2410
Denver CO 80202

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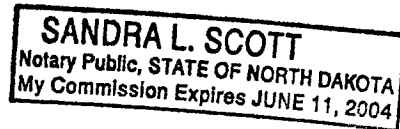
Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **26th day of April, 2001**.





Notary Public

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY ORDINARY MAIL OR E-MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Sharon Helbling deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **26th day of April, 2001**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, envelopes by first class mail, fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of:

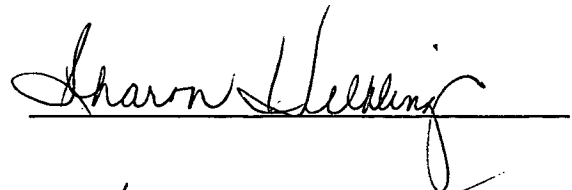
Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

See Attached List

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **26th day of April, 2001**.



Notary Public

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From: Helbling, Sharon D.

Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2001 9:02 AM

To: ndna (E-mail)

Subject: Attached Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments

Please have the attached Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments published as a legal publication in the next issue of the ten North Dakota daily newspapers, and run it as a "News Item Only" article as well.

Send the bill to the Public Service Commission along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.

If you have any questions, please call me at 328-4076.

Thank you.

Sharon Helbling



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April 25, 2001

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DATE: 4-25-01
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**Skyland Technologies, Inc./Citizens
Telecommunications Company of North Dakota
Interconnection Agreement
Application**

Case No. PU-2526-01-159

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Application**

Case No. PU-2528-01-162

**Integra Telecom of North Dakota, Inc./Qwest
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Interconnection Agreement Amendment
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Case No. PU-2463-01-185

I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments in the above captioned applications for approval of interconnection agreements and amendments.

JRL/sdh

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NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS

April 25, 2001

On April 5, 2001, in Case No. PU-2526-01-159, Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota (Citizens) filed an application for approval of an Agreement to Modify and Assume Obligations Under an Interconnection Agreement negotiated with Skyland Technologies, Inc. (Skyland) of Helena, MT. This agreement sets forth rates, terms and conditions under which Citizens agrees to provide services for resale.

On April 9, 2001, in Case No. PU-2528-01-162, Reservation Telephone Cooperative filed an application for approval of a Wireless Interconnection Agreement negotiated with WWC Holding Co., Inc. of Bellevue, WA. This agreement sets forth rates, terms and conditions for wireless interconnection and exchange of traffic.

On April 17, 2001, Qwest Corporation Communications, Inc. (Qwest) filed an application for approval of a Loop Installation Options Amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with Integra Telecom of North Dakota, Inc. This amendment sets forth rates, terms and conditions for unbundled loop installation options.

These agreements were filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under section 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement (or portion thereof) adopted by negotiation if it finds that:

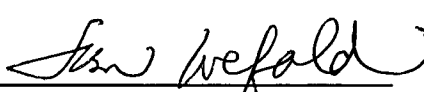

1. the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement;
2. the implementation of the agreement (or portion thereof) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In addition, the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry under section 253. Section 252(e)(4) requires that the Commission must act to approve or reject an agreement adopted by negotiation within ninety (90) days after submission by the parties.

The Commission will receive written comments on these agreements until May 30, 2001.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify Jon Mielke, Executive Secretary.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

<u>"ABSENT"</u>		
Anthony T. Clark Commissioner	Susan E. Wefald President	Leo M. Reinbold Commissioner



April 4, 2001

Mr. John Mielke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capital Building, 12th Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Resale Agreement for Telecommunications Services between Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota and Skyland Technologies, Inc.

Dear Mr. John Mielke:

Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota ("CTC-North Dakota") hereby submits for approval by the North Dakota Public Service Commission ("Commission") the enclosed "Agreement Modify and Assume Obligations Under an Interconnection Agreement" dated March 22, 2001 (the "Agreement"), which provides for Skyland Technologies, Inc. ("Skyland") to interconnect with CTC-North Dakota. This Agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations without resort to mediation or arbitration and is submitted for approval pursuant to Section 252 (e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("the Act") and the requirements of North Dakota Century Code 49-21-01.7(8).

Section 252(e)(2) of the Act directs that a state Commission may reject an agreement reached through voluntary negotiations only if the commission finds that

- (1) the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or
- (2) the implementation of such agreement or portion is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

CTC-North Dakota respectfully submits that the Agreement provides no basis for either of these findings and, thus, requests that the Commission approve the Agreement expeditiously. First, the Agreement does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier because CTC-North Dakota has made the terms of the Agreement available to other carriers. Second, the Agreement is consistent with the public interest as identified in the pro-competitive policies of the State of North Dakota, the Commission, the U.S. Congress and the Federal Communications Commission. The Agreement will enable Skyland to provide service to, and interconnect with, a greater number of telecommunications customers in North Dakota. Expedient approval of this Agreement will facilitate immediate competition in the local exchange telecommunications market.

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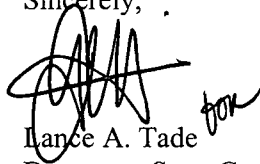
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CTC-North Dakota further requests that the Commission approve this Agreement without a hearing and without allowing the intervention of other parties. Because this Agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations, it does not raise issues requiring a hearing and does not concern other parties not a part of the negotiations. Expeditious approval would further the public interest.

Enclosed are an original and seven copies of this filing. Also included is a copy of this letter. Please return the copy of this letter, date-stamped in the enclosed postage-paid envelope.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at 801-924-6357 (voice), 801-924-6363 (fax) or ltade@czn.com (e-mail).

Sincerely,

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ORIGINAL

AGREEMENT TO MODIFY AND ASSUME OBLIGATIONS UNDER AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

This agreement to modify and assume obligations under an Interconnection Agreement is made by and among Citizens Telecommunications Company of North Dakota ("PURCHASER") and Skyland Technologies, Inc. This agreement is made in reference to the following facts:

A. U S WEST Communications, Inc. n/k/a Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), and PURCHASER, successor by assignment from Citizens Communications Company, f/k/a Citizens Utilities Company are parties to an Asset Purchase Agreement dated June 16, 1999, pursuant to which Purchaser has agreed to purchase certain assets and facilities of Qwest comprising 8 telephone exchanges and 16,764 access lines in the State of North Dakota (the "purchased exchanges").

B. PURCHASER and Qwest have filed a joint application with the North Dakota Public Services Commission ("PSC") seeking approval of the sale, transfer of the purchased exchanges from Qwest to PURCHASER. PURCHASER has filed for the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity ("CPCN") from the PSC to be the provider of local exchange and exchange access service in the purchased exchanges. The Case Number is PU - 2173 - 99 - 520.

C. Skyland Technologies, Inc is a competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") doing business in some of the purchased exchanges and a wholesale customer of Qwest's under its Interconnection Agreement with Qwest. Skyland Technologies, Inc. desires to continue, to the extent possible, to conduct business in the purchased exchanges under the terms of the Interconnection Agreement if and when PURCHASER takes over operations in the purchased exchanges.

D. PURCHASER wants to (i) minimize any impact upon Skyland Technologies, Inc. (and other wholesale customers) from the transfer of the purchased exchanges to PURCHASER and (ii) avoid, to the extent possible, any disruption in service to Skyland Technologies, Inc. or its customers.

E. With regard to the purchased exchanges, the parties hereto agree that it would be desirable for PURCHASER to assume Qwest's obligations under its existing Interconnection Agreement with Skyland Technologies, Inc. for those exchanges, with certain modifications specified below. The parties recognize that there are certain of Qwest's obligations under the interconnection agreement that PURCHASER will not be able to perform because PURCHASER (i) did not acquire all of the assets and facilities that Qwest uses to fulfill its obligations under that agreement, and (ii) is a smaller entity than Qwest and will not be conducting business in all respects like Qwest.

NOW, THEREFORE, PURCHASER AND SKYLAND TECHNOLOGIES, INC. AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

1. Subject to the modifications set forth in Section 3, below, PURCHASER agrees to assume all of Qwest's rights, obligations, liabilities, duties and interests under the Interconnection Agreement in the purchased exchanges, effective upon the closing date as defined in the Asset Purchase Agreement (the "Agreement Closing Date").

2. Except as set forth in paragraph 3 below, Skyland Technologies, Inc. consents to PURCHASER'S assumption of Qwest's obligations in the purchased exchanges as described in paragraph 1, above.

3. PURCHASER and Skyland Technologies, Inc. each acknowledges and agrees that certain of PURCHASER'S obligations and duties in the purchased exchanges under the Qwest/« »Interconnection Agreement are specifically modified as follows:

a. PURCHASER will not be obligated to provide Skyland Technologies, Inc. with electronic gateway access to PURCHASER'S operation support systems, nor any electronic interface for performing pre-ordering, ordering, provisioning, billing, repair, or any other operation

support system function at closing. PURCHASER will provide the ability for Skyland Technologies, Inc. to directly place service orders to PURCHASER's systems, such that orders "flow through" and re-keying by PURCHASER is not required, within twelve months after the closing. As part of this initiative, PURCHASER will provide the "front end" systems that will allow Skyland Technologies, Inc. to place Local Service Requests (LSRs) to PURCHASER over the Internet within ninety (90) days of closing. PURCHASER will need to re-key such orders. PURCHASER commits that the interval for providing services will not be adversely affected due to the lack of a fully mechanized ordering system. Prior to rejecting any order from Skyland Technologies, Inc., PURCHASER will contact Skyland Technologies, Inc. to discuss the reason for rejecting the order, and will accept verbal changes/corrections to the order. For a complex order, PURCHASER will assign a single person to coordinate implementation of the order.

b. PURCHASER will work with Skyland Technologies, Inc. to develop mechanized billing feeds, including usage data, mechanized order completion notices and firm order confirmations to meet Skyland Technologies, Inc. needs. PURCHASER will make available to Skyland Technologies, Inc., within ninety (90) days of closing, a mechanized data file containing all required billing information, including customer usage information, on a customer-specific basis, such that Skyland Technologies, Inc. is not required to manually enter the billing information in order to bill customers and validate the bill.

c. PURCHASER will supply a copy of the customer's service record to «
» upon receiving notice from Skyland Technologies, Inc. that it has a letter of authorization from a customer. The service record will be provided via facsimile, within eight normal business hours of notification.

d. PURCHASER will provide updated street address guide information to «
». This information will be provided in a mechanized data file, on a quarterly basis.

e. PURCHASER will accept fax and telephone orders from Skyland Technologies, Inc. for end user premises and central office dispatch orders. Service orders may be made between 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Mountain Standard Time on business days. All telephone orders will be followed up with an LSR within 12 business hours. Repair orders may be made seven (7) days a week, twenty-four (24) hours a day. The person answering the service order or repair call shall generally have the ability to schedule the service or repair during the call. In those instances where a facility check is required (e.g., service to a new location or second line) the Skyland Technologies, Inc. will provide an LSR requesting the facility check along with the preferred premises visit date and time. Within forty-eight (48) hours of receiving the LSR, PURCHASER will, by facsimile (first ninety (90)) days) and by e-mail thereafter, notify the Skyland Technologies, Inc. of the availability of the requested facility and whether the requested service date and time is available. If the requested date and time are not available, Skyland Technologies, Inc., with the customer on the line, may call PURCHASER to schedule the premises visit. The person answering the call on behalf of PURCHASER will have the ability to schedule the visit. Should the premises visit be rescheduled at this time, Skyland Technologies, Inc. will submit a new LSR reflecting the new visit date. PURCHASER will perform facility checks and key orders into its ordering provisioning system with "scheduling parity".

f. PURCHASER will provide Skyland Technologies, Inc. with standard ordering and repair intervals so Skyland Technologies, Inc. can schedule end user premises and dispatch requests with its customers in an efficient manner. The standard intervals are specified in PURCHASER's Local Interconnection Guide. Skyland Technologies, Inc. requests will be provided the same level of service as PURCHASER provides to its own customers.

g. PURCHASER will not provide unbundled Local Switching, unbundled Tandem Switching or unbundled Common Transport at closing. PURCHASER is working with other

Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (ILECs) in developing the "UNE-Platform" which rebundles Local Switching, Common Transport and, where appropriate, Tandem Switching. PURCHASER expects to provide the UNE-Platform within ninety (90) days of closing, and commits to provide these UNEs and the UNE-Platform as soon as possible after industry standards are published. PURCHASER will provide local tandem and transit functionality to CLECs for EAS routes served by its end offices.

h. PURCHASER will not be obligated to provide Skyland Technologies, Inc. with Advanced Intelligent Network (AIN) Services on an unbundled basis except in those locations where PURCHASER will be acquiring that functionality from Qwest. PURCHASER does not have an AIN platform and is only acquiring that functionality from Qwest in a few locations. PURCHASER will implement the necessary triggers to ensure Local Number Portability (LNP) to Skyland Technologies, Inc. in purchased exchanges where bona fide requests for LNP are or have been provided.

i. PURCHASER will not be obligated to provide Skyland Technologies, Inc. with Operator Services or Directory Assistance on an unbundled basis. PURCHASER will be acquiring those services from a third party. PURCHASER will provide the same operator services and directory assistance capabilities to resold customers of Skyland Technologies, Inc. as PURCHASER provides to its own retail customers. PURCHASER could act as an intermediary for Skyland Technologies, Inc. to obtain unbundled Operator Services and Directory Assistance but would prefer Skyland Technologies, Inc. obtain those services directly from a third party provider.

j. PURCHASER will not be obligated to provide Skyland Technologies, Inc. with SS7 Services on an unbundled basis. PURCHASER is not acquiring any Signal Transfer Points or Service Control Points/Databases from Qwest. PURCHASER will be acquiring the capabilities required to support the SS7 based services it provides to its end users from a third party. PURCHASER will provide the same SS7 services to resold customers of Skyland Technologies, Inc. that PURCHASER provides to its own retail customers. PURCHASER could act as an intermediary for Skyland Technologies, Inc. to obtain unbundled SS7 Services but would prefer Skyland Technologies, Inc. obtain those services directly from a third party provider.

k. References to the U S WEST/Qwest Local Interconnection Guide will be replaced by references to the Citizens Local Interconnection Guide.

l. PURCHASER will not be obligated to use the specific Qwest operation support systems referenced in the Interconnection Agreement. Instead, after the Agreement Closing Date, PURCHASER will use its own operation support systems, which PURCHASER expects to have generally equivalent functionally, with the exception of the functions specified in preceding paragraph 3.a.

4. Until the Agreement Closing Date, (i) the Interconnection Agreement remains in full force and effect between Qwest and Skyland Technologies, Inc. in the purchased exchanges; (ii) PURCHASER shall not have any obligation or liabilities whatsoever to Qwest or Skyland Technologies, Inc. under the Interconnection Agreement; and (iii) Qwest and Skyland Technologies, Inc. remain liable to each other for any act (or failure to act) occurring before the Agreement Closing Date that constitutes a breach of the Interconnection Agreement, even if any injury or damage for such breach does not occur or is not discovered until after the Agreement Date. With regard to the 8 exchanges being purchased by PURCHASER, Skyland Technologies, Inc. releases Qwest from the Agreement Closing Date forward of any and all of its rights, duties, obligations, liabilities and interests under the Interconnection Agreement relating to those exchanges, except that Skyland Technologies, Inc. does not release Qwest from liability for any act (or failure to act) occurring before the Agreement Closing Date that constitutes a breach of the

Interconnection Agreement. While PURCHASER will be assuming Qwest's rights, duties, obligations, liabilities and interests under the Interconnection Agreement in the purchased exchanges, effective on the Agreement Closing Date, Qwest will retain the rights, duties, obligation, liabilities and interests under that Interconnection Agreement for any remaining exchanges within the scope of that agreement.

**Citizens Telecommunications Company
of North Dakota**

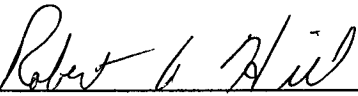
Signature: 

Name (Printed) : F. WAYNE LAFFERTY

Title: VP- REGULATORY & GOV'T AFFAIRS

Date: 3/22/01

Skyland Technologies, Inc.

Signature: 

Name (Printed) : Robert A. Hill

Title: General Manager

Date: 3/16/01

so that we can return the card to you.
 ■ Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Rance Lake
 Citizens Communications
 4 Grand Ctr Ste 200
 Salt Lake City UT 84180

Agent
 Addressee
 D. Is delivery address different from item 1? Yes
 If YES, enter delivery address below: No

3. Service Type
 Certified Mail Express Mail
 Registered Return Receipt for Merchandise
 Insured Mail C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) Yes

2. Article Number (Copy from service label)

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SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION	COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
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1. Article Addressed to:	C. Signature	<input type="checkbox"/> Agent <input type="checkbox"/> Addressee
Mike Sherb Skyland Technologies Inc PO Box 5807 Helena Mt. 59604-5807	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jimmy S. Sherb	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. Article Number (Copy from service label)	D. Is delivery address different from item 1? If YES, enter delivery address below:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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