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January 19, 1996

Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, Florida 32399

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Dear Ms. Bayó:

Pursuant to section 364.33 of the Florida Statutes, Qwest Communications Corporation, d/b/a Qwest Communications The Power Of Connections, Inc. ("Qwest") hereby requests approval of a transfer of stock. In support of this request, Qwest states the following:

Quest is incorporated in the State of Delaware. Quest's principal office is located at Suite 1000, 555 Seventeenth Street, Denver, Colorado 80202. Inquiries regarding this request may be directed to:

Joseph T. GarrityAdelia S. BorrascaQwest Communications CorporationHolland & HarturSuite 1000Suite 310555 Seventeenth Street1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.Denver, Colorado 80202Washington, D. C. 20004(303) 291-1621(202) 737-8983

Qwest was issued an Interexchange Telecommunications Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Number 3534 in Florida on March 3, 1994, in Docket No. 931054-TI, Order No. PSC-94-0237-FOF-TI, under the name of Southern Pacific Telecommunications Company. In Docket No. 951153-TI, Order No. PSC-95-1406-FOF-TI, dated November 16, 1995, the Commission amended the Certificate to the reflect the new operating name of the company, Qwest Communications Corporation, d/b/a Qwest Communications The Power Of Connections, Inc. Copies of the certificate and orders issuing and amending the certificate are attached at Exhibit A. Under its current certificate, Qwest is authorized to provide nondominant interexchange telecommunications services. Qwest owns no assets in Florida and leases all capacity used to resell telephone services in Florida.

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For the purpose of best positioning itself to take advantage of various alternative financial resources available to fund the growth of Qwest, its sole stockholder, Anschutz Company ("Anschutz"), intends to transfer all of the stock of Qwest to a newly-formed wholly-owned subsidiary, Qwest Holding Corporation ("QHC"), a Colorado corporation, in exchange for newly-issued stock of QHC. QHC will immediately thereafter transfer all of the stock of Qwest to a wholly-owned subsidiary, Qwest Corporation ("QC"), in exchange for newly-issued stock of QC. It is contemplated that QC, a Colorado corporation, will ultimately serve as a holding company for three related operating companies, including Qwest.<sup>1/</sup> As a result of this internal restructuring, Qwest will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of QC, QC will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of QHC, and QHC will be a wholly-owned subsidiary of Anschutz. The Board of Directors, including the Chairman, and the senior management, including the President and CEO of Qwest, will remain substantially as currently constituted.

This technical transfer of Qwest's stock will have no negative effect on consumers of telecommunications service in Florida, or in any way hinder Qwest's ability to provide telecommunications services in the state. The transactions will have no effect on the services provided to the public. The proposed transactions will not result in any name change, change in tariff, or in transfer of the certificate. The reorganization will enhance the ability of Qwest's owners to take advantage of various alternative financial resources available to fund Qwest's growth, putting Qwest in a better position to expand its networks, improve the quality and variety of its services to the public, and thereby enhance the competitive market structure in Florida.

The contemplated transfers do not implicate any public policy foundations of the Commission's jurisdiction. The transfers will not affect price or rate structure,



As future elements of this internal restructuring, but not as part of this Application, Qwest intends to transfer assets, owned and related to commercial services (such as switches, DACS equipment, Titan equipment, etc.), including its authority to operate such equipment, to a newly-formed Colorado corporation, Qwest Network Services Corporation ("QNSC"), or to have QNSC authorized to provide certain commercial services on a resale basis. Qwest also intends, but again, not as part of the present Application, to transfer its construction assets, rights-of-way and right-of-way agreements, conduit and dark fiber to a newlyformed Colorado corporation, Qwest Construction Services Corporation ("QCSC"). It is contemplated that the shares of QNSC and QCSC will be distributed to QC. At an appropriate future time, Qwest will seek Commission authority, or waiver thereof or variance therefrom, for those subsequent transactions as required by Commission rules and regulations.





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services offered or rendered, certificated authority, service territory or market power. The transfers will not adversely affect the public or a utility's financial or technical resources.

Qwest respectfully requests that the Commission waive those portions of its Rules that may be applicable to this Application, and expedite the approval requested. Since none of the regulatory or public policy considerations underlying the Commission's jurisdiction over this transaction under section 364.33 are implicated by this entirely internal stock transfer, it is appropriate for the Commission to act expeditiously to allow this transaction to move forward.

Accordingly, Qwest Communications Corporation respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Application and authorize the acquisition of control of Qwest by Qwest Holding Corporation and, thereafter, by Qwest Corporation. Qwest further requests that the Commission grant such other consents and authorizations as may be necessary to effectuate the transactions described above and waive those portions of the Commission's Rules that otherwise may be applicable to this Application. Qwest also respectfully requests that the Commission expedite consideration of this Application.

Please acknowledge receipt and filing of this letter Application by stamping and returning in the enclosed envelope the two extra copies enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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Adelia S. Borrasca

Attorney for

Qwest Communications Corporation, d/b/a Qwest Communications The Power Of Connections, Inc., Qwest Holding Corporation, and Qwest Corporation

Enclosures

Dec. L. HILER. I. HILM WILLI 1514 Certifurate No. 951054-TI Docket No. Deta Harch 15, 1994 YSC-94-0157-FOF-T1 Florida Public Service Commission Telephone Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Upro, ounsideration of the record in the above numbered docket, 2 it is ORDERF.D that authority be and is hereby granted to SOUTHERY PACIFIC TELLCONMENTCATIONS COMPANY 60 Spear Street, Suite 700 San Franciacu, CA 94105 whose principal address is -to provide telecommunication service in accordance with Chapter 364, Florida Statutes, the Rules, Regulations and Orders of this Commission, and the conditions and provisions prescribed in Order No PSC-94-0237 in the tarritory described therein. This Certificate shall remain in force and effect until amended, suspended, encelled or revoked by Order of this Commission. BY OADER OF THE Florida Public Service Commission ADS AND REPORTING 11

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The following commissioners participated in the disposition of

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGREET ACTION SECON GRANTING CONTRICTORES TO PROVIDE INTERPOINTED TELECOMMUTICATIONS SERVICES

AV THE COMPLICATION:

NOTICE IN REALEST GIVEN by the Florids Public Service Commission that the ection discussed bereak is preliminery in nature and will become final unless a parene whose interests are substantially affected files a paintion for a formal proceeding is accordance with Rule 13-32.029, Florids Administrative Code.

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Interauchange telecommunications services providers are charged with the responsibility of complying with the provisions of charges 364, Floride Statutes, and Chargears 35-4 and 25-34, Florida Administrative Code. Horeover, persuant to the provisions of Order No. 16604, interauchange telecommunications services provisions of Order prohibited from penatructing facilities to bypase a local erohampe company without express prior approval from this commission.

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It is, therefore,

OWDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that we hereby grant, to each of the applicance listed in the captions of this Order, a certificate to provide interexchange talecommunications services subject to the conditions stated in the body of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that any petition protesting any particular application shall not prevent the action proposed barein from becoming final as to the other applications listed is the caption of this Order. It is further

ORDERED that, unless a person were interests tro neverally affected by the detion proposed herein files a potition in the form and by the data specified is the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Earlow, below, the cartificative shall become effective on the following date and these doctets shall be closed.

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> ORDER NO. PSC-94-0237-F28-F1 DOCKETS NOS. 931030-F1, 931034-F1. 931:84-F1 PAGE 4

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become affective on the day subsequent to the above date an provided by pule 25-32.039(6), Florida Administrative Code.

Any objection or protest filed in this duckst before the issuance data of this order is considered abendoned unless it natisfies the foregoing conditions and is reseved within the specified protest period.

If this order becomes firsl and effective on the data described above, any party abversely affected may request judicial restew by the Fiorida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone willity or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a value or wasternear utility by filling a metice of appeal with the Director, Bivision of Bacerda and Reporting and appropriate court. This filling must be completed with the spiropetate court. This filling must be order, purseent to Sule 9.110, Florida Bules of Appelite bate of this order, purseent to Sule must be in the tron specified in bule 8.900(s), Florida Bules of Appellete Provedure.