ORDER NO. 11 205

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## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

### ARB 483(15)

In the Matter of

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF,

ORDER

Request to approve Negotiated Interconnection Agreements and Amendments Submitted Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

### DISPOSITION: AGREEMENTS AND AMENDMENTS APPROVED

The Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) Staff recommended approval of certain negotiated interconnection agreements and amendments submitted pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The identification of the agreement(s) and amendment(s) and the basis for Staff's recommendation are set forth in a Public Meeting Report, which is attached as Appendix A and incorporated by reference.

At the June 21, 2011 Public Meeting, the Commission adopted Staff's recommendation and approved the identified agreement(s) and amendment(s). The Commission Staff concluded that there is no basis under the Act to reject the agreement(s) and amendment(s). Accordingly, the agreement(s) and amendment(s) listed in Staff's report are approved, effective from the date of the public meeting.

#### ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the agreement(s) and amendment(s) identified in Appendix A are approved.

Made, entered, and effective



Michael Grant Chief Administrative Law Judge Administrative Hearings Division

A party may request reheating or reconsideration of this order under ORS 756.561. A request for reheating or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-001-0720. A copy of the request must also be served on each party to the proceedings as provided in OAR 860-001-0180(2). A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to applicable law.

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### ITEM NO. CA9

### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: June 21, 2011

REGULAR CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE N/A

**DATE:** June 10, 2011

**TO:** Public Utility Commission

FROM: Mitch Moore

THROUGH: Lee Sparling, Bryan Conway, and Kay Marinos

**SUBJECT:** <u>OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF</u>: Request to approve Negotiated Interconnection Agreements and Amendments submitted pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Commission approve the new negotiated amendment to the previously approved interconnection agreement listed below.

### DISCUSSION:

Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act) requires that any negotiated interconnection agreement, including amendments to an existing agreement, be submitted to a state commission for approval. Under the Act, the Commission must approve or reject such agreements within 90 days of filing. The Commission may reject an agreement only if it finds that:

(i) the agreement, or portion thereof, discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement; or

(ii) the implementation of such agreement, or portion thereof, is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. *See* Section 252(e)(2).

An interconnection agreement or amendment thereto has no effect or force until approved by a state commission. See 47 U.S.C. Sections 252 (a) and (e). Accordingly, the effective date of any submitted agreement or amendment will be the date the

