

## **EXHIBIT C DEFINITIONS**

4.1 "Access Services" refers to the interstate and intrastate switched access and private line transport services offered for the origination and/or termination of interexchange traffic.

4.2 "Act" means the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 151 et. seq.), as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and as from time to time interpreted in the duly authorized rules and regulations of the FCC or the Colorado Public Utilities Commission.

4.3 "Application Date" or "APP" means the date CLEC provides Qwest a firm commitment and sufficient information to provide service.

4.4 "Basic Exchange Telecommunications Service" means a service offered to end users which provides the end user with a telephonic connection to, and a unique local telephone number address on, the public switched telecommunications network, and which enables such end user to generally place calls to, or receive calls from, other stations on the public switched telecommunications network. Basic residence and business line services are Basic Exchange Telecommunications Services. As used solely in the context of this Agreement and unless otherwise agreed, Basic Exchange Telecommunications Service includes access to ancillary services such as 911, directory assistance and operator services.

4.5 "Collocation" is an arrangement where Qwest provides space in Qwest Premises for the placement of CLEC's equipment to be used for the purpose of Interconnection or access to Qwest unbundled network elements.

4.6 "Commission" means the Colorado Public Utilities Commission

4.7 "Interconnect & Resale Resource Guide" (IRRG) is a Qwest document that provides information needed to request services available under this Agreement. Qwest agrees that CLEC shall not be held to the requirements of the IRRG. The IRRG is available on Qwest's Web site: <http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/pcat/interconnection.html>.

4.8 "Interconnection" is as described in the Act and refers to the connection between networks for the purpose of transmission and routing of telephone Exchange Service traffic, Exchange Access and Jointly Provided Switched Access traffic.

4.9 "Local Exchange Carrier" (LEC) means any carrier that is engaged in the provision of telephone Exchange Service or Exchange Access. Such term does not include a carrier insofar as such carrier is engaged in the provision of a commercial mobile service under Section 332(c) of the Act, except to the extent that the FCC finds that such service should be included in the definition of such term.

4.10 "Local Loop Transmission" or "Loop" or "Unbundled Loop" is defined as a transmission facility between a distribution frame (or its equivalent) in an incumbent LEC Central Office and the loop demarcation point at an end user's premises, including inside wire owned by the incumbent LEC. The local loop network element includes all features, functions, and capabilities of such transmission facility.

4.11 "Local Service Request" or "LSR" means the industry standard forms and supporting documentation used for ordering local services.

4.12 "Party" means either Qwest or CLEC and "Parties" means Qwest and CLEC.

4.13 "Premises" refers to Qwest's central offices and Serving Wire Centers; all buildings or similar structures owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by Qwest that house its network facilities; all structures that house Qwest facilities on public rights-of-way, including but not limited to vaults containing loop concentrators or similar structures; and all land owned, leased, or otherwise controlled by Qwest that is adjacent to these central offices, Wire Centers, buildings and structures.

4.14 "Tariff" as used throughout this Agreement refers to Qwest interstate Tariffs and state Tariffs, price lists, price schedules and catalogs.

4.15 "Telecommunications Carrier" means any provider of Telecommunications Services, except that such term does not include aggregators of Telecommunications Services (as defined in Section 226 of the Act). A Telecommunications Carrier shall be treated as a common carrier under the Act only to the extent that it is engaged in providing Telecommunications Services, except that the Federal Communications Commission shall determine whether the provision of fixed and mobile satellite service shall be treated as common carriage.

4.16 "Telecommunications Services" means the offering of telecommunications for a fee directly to the public, or to such classes of users as to be effectively available directly to the public, regardless of the facilities used.

4.17 "UNE Combination" means a combination of unbundled network elements provided for in this Agreement.

4.18 "Wire Center" denotes a building or space within a building that serves as an aggregation point on a given carrier's network, where transmission facilities are connected or switched. Wire Center can also denote a building where one or more Central Offices, used for the provision of Basic Exchange Telecommunications Services and Access Services, are located.

4.19 Terms not otherwise defined here but defined in the Act shall have the meaning defined there.