## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

**Inter-Department Communication** 

**DATE:** September 21, 2020 **AT (OFFICE):** NHPUC

FROM: Kath Mullholand, Director – Regulatory Innovation and Strategy Division

**SUBJECT:** Docket No. DT 20-138

Request for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement between TDS

Telecommunications LLC and Level 3 Communications, LLC

**Staff Recommendation** 

**TO:** Commissioners

Debra A. Howland, Executive Director

CC: David K. Wiesner, Legal Division Director

On August 27, 2020, TDS Telecommunications LLC (TDS) filed a request for approval of an Interconnection Agreement between TDS and Level 3 Communications, LLC (Level 3) (Agreement), under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. TDS represented that the Agreement is the result of arms-length negotiations between the two parties, does not discriminate against any other telecommunications carrier, and is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Once effective, the Agreement can be found on the Commission's web pages at <a href="http://www.puc.state.nh.us/Telecom/interconnectionagreements.htm">http://www.puc.state.nh.us/Telecom/interconnectionagreements.htm</a>.

Level 3 is a utility provider of telecommunications services authorized as an excepted local exchange carrier with the Commission.

Staff recommends that the Agreement be allowed to go into effect by operation of law, 90 days after the date of the original filing.

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