

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

March 25, 2010

VIA US MAIL AND FAX

Mr. Joseph Euteneuer Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Qwest Communications International Inc. 1801 California Street Denver, CO 80202

RE: Qwest Communications International Inc. Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009 Filed February 6, 2010 Definitive Proxy Statement Filed March 17, 2010 File No. 001-15577

Dear Mr. Euteneuer:

We have reviewed your supplemental response dated March 19, 2010 as well as your definitive proxy statement filed March 17, 2010 and have the following comments. If you disagree with a comment, we will consider your explanation as to why it is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. Please understand that after our review of your responses, we may raise additional comments.

Definitive Proxy Statement

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1. We note your disclosure in response to Item 402(s) of Regulation S-K. In your response letter, please describe the process undertaken to reach the conclusion that your compensation policies and practices are not reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on the company.

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Please respond to these comments within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please furnish a letter that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested information. Detailed letters greatly facilitate our review. Please file your letter over EDGAR. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your responses to our comments. Mr. Joseph Euteneuer Qwest Communications International Inc. March 25, 2010 Page 2

Please contact Jessica Plowgian, Attorney-Advisor, at (202) 551-3367 or Paul Fischer, Attorney-Advisor at (202) 551-3415 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

/s Paul Fischer, for

Larry Spirgel Assistant Director