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ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

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WHEREAS, Monte G. Rydalch of 1122 W. Lampton Rd., South Jordan, UT 84095, hereinafter referred to as "Assignor," is the inventor of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: DRILL-OPERATED TOOL TO ASSIST IN THE OPENING
OF FIBER-OPTIC CABLES

Date(s) of execution of Declaration: February 5, 2004

Filing Date: October 14, 2003

Application No.: 10/686,546; and

WHEREAS, Qwest Communications International Inc., a corporation of the state of Colorado, located at Qwest Law Department, 1801 California Street, Suite 3800, Denver, CO 80202, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

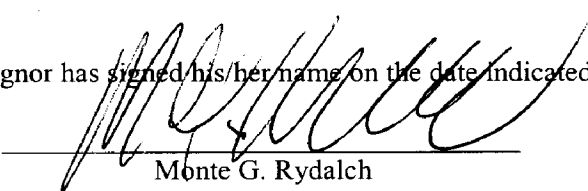
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Assignor hereby authorizes and requests Townsend and Townsend and Crew LLP, Two Embarcadero Center, Eighth Floor, San Francisco, CA 94111-3834, to insert herein above the application number and filing date of said application when known.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has signed his/her name on the date indicated.

Dated: 02-05-04


Monte G. Rydalch

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