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Governor's Executive Order Purchasing of Alternative Telecommunications Services.

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Purchase of Alternative Telecommunications Services

Whereas, Section 63A-6-106 of the Utah Code was amended by H.B. 37, 1998 General Session;

Whereas, the amendment allows, under certain conditions, that a state agency may contract for telecommunications services with an alternate private provider rather than purchasing those services through the Division of Information Technology Services ("ITS");

Whereas, before making the decision to contract for telecommunications services with an alternate private provider, a state agency is required to consult with the state's chief information officer ("CIO"); and

Whereas, thorough prior analysis and review of the proposed contract not only improves the quality of the decision made by the state agency, but is essential to ensuring compliance with the law;

Now, Therefore, I, Michael O. Leavitt, Governor of the State of Utah, order that a consultation with the CIO in this regard shall include the following:

- (1) The agency shall deliver to the CIO a written proposal regarding the nature, extent, and scope of telecommunications services to be contracted separately by the agency.
- (2) The proposal shall contain all of the following:
- (a) a copy of the proposed contract;
- (b) a list of current services provided by ITS that are now proposed to be contracted for directly by the agency;
- (c) an analysis of the current cost of those services to the agency compared with a detailed estimate of all costs for those services as provided under the proposed contract;
- (d) an analysis of whether, to what degree, and in what respect the proposed purchase and implementation of services from the alternate provider will result in increased efficiency;
- (e) an analysis of whether, to what degree, and in what respect the proposed purchase and implementation of services from the alternate provider will result

in improved quality of services;

- (f) a statement identifying any deviation under the proposal from current state networking or telecommunications architecture or standards;
- (g) an analysis of whether, to what degree, and in what respect the deviation could impair the interoperability of the state's telecommunication services;
- (h) a statement from the agency head affirming that the agency has complied with all relevant procurement requirements in negotiating the proposal;
- (i) evidence that the proposed contract shall be void if the contracted services or associated costs are not in compliance with the standards of Section 63A-6-106, as amended; and
- (j) the written recommendation of the department's senior executive.
- (3) The consultation is complete when the CIO delivers back to the agency a written recommendation regarding the proposal.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Utah this 27th day of May, 1998.

(State Seal)

Michael O. Leavitt Governor

ATTEST:

Olene S. Walker Lieutenant Governor

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