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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to provide this letter to Veterans Affairs demonstrating Qwest's commitment to provide important support to enable the VA to meet its obligation to meet OMB IPv6 requirements.

Qwest has been active in IPv6 development since 2001 when we put in place a technology demonstration network of native IPv6 routers. The intent of this network is to provide a platform for Qwest and its customers to perform IPv6 testing to understand the implications for both their data networks themselves and the applications that use IPv6 networks.

Along with this network, Qwest will provide engineering support to help the VA being the process of implementing IPv6 at once.

Qwest is fully committed to the development and production deployment of IPv6 on both our Internet services (i.e., Networx IPS) and our private Layer 3 MPLS VPN (i.e., Networx NBIP-VPNS) to ensure agencies can meet the OMB deadline. This is reflected both in our discussions with GSA and our representations in both our Networx Universal and Enterprise contracts.

Qwest's architecture, of a pure private MPLS core and private edge routers has simplified the introduction of both additional edge routes for geographical diversity as well the deployment of native IPv6. This committed plan of record will provide both IPv4 and IPv6 production quality services for the VA in 1Q 2008. Combined with the IPv6 testing that Qwest is offering immediately, this will enable VA to comfortably meet the July 2008 OMB deadline.

Please contact me if there any additional questions.

Sincerely,

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