

Qwest Corporation
125 South Dakota Avenue
Sioux Falls, SD 57194

TC01-039



April 4, 2001

Ms. Debra Elofson, Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Ms. Elofson:

Qwest Corporation has enclosed revised pages from our Exchange and Network Services Tariff. Revisions have been made to enhance the offerings of Digital Switched Service and offer our customers more options. Qwest competes with other carriers who offer this type of service and these changes will enable us to more effectively compete for their business.

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In reviewing this tariff, a typographical error was discovered on page 7 where a nonrecurring charge was listed as \$1,000 instead of \$1,100 for all other like offerings.

The effective date of these changes will be May 5, 2001. If you have any questions, please call me on 605-335-4596.

Sincerely,

Colleen E. Sevold
Manager-Regulatory Affairs

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C. Terms And Conditions

1. DSS is provided subject to the availability of central office facilities.
2. The type of DSS facility installed will be determined by the Company. A fiber optic facility will be engineered if requested by the customer.
3. Each DSS facility enables the customer to install up to a maximum of 24 trunks per DSS facility. The customer is billed for the actual number and types of trunks in service on each DSS facility.
4. The minimum service period for the DSS facility and common equipment is one month.
5. The minimum service period for trunks is one month.
6. Terms and conditions, rates and charges, as described elsewhere in this Tariff, apply as appropriate.
7. Any Exchange and Network Service or Private Line Transport Service is allowed on vacant DSS basic facility channels, with the exception of Switched Access Service and SWITCHNET 56 Service. (C)
8. DSS monthly rates are in lieu of local exchange trunk rates specified elsewhere in this Tariff (Exception: Toll Access Trunks). (C)
9. Suspension of service is only available for trunks and only if all trunks within the facility are suspended. It is not available for the DSS facility and common equipment.

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D. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

3. Digital Switched Service Rate Stability Plan

- a. The Digital Switched Service Rate Stability Plan (RSP) is an optional payment arrangement, offered under contract between the Company and the customer. DSS RSP allows a customer to pay a guaranteed fixed monthly rate for the DSS facility and common equipment over a 3-year to 10-year period, and/or, receive stabilize monthly rates and discount nonrecurring charges for DSS Basic Trunks and Advanced Trunks with *DID* over a 3-year, 5-year and 7-year period. (C)
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- b. If Waiver Policy conditions are met, as specified in the Termination Liability/Waiver Policy, set forth in 2.2.14.B., termination charges will not apply if the DSS facility and common equipment for all advanced trunks is moved to an existing DS3 facility.
- c. The following rates apply for rate stabilized DSS facility and common equipment.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	STABILIZED MONTHLY RATE	
DSS facility and common equipment, per 24 channel facility				
• 3 years				
- All basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks	D7W2X	\$1,100.00	\$290.00	
- All advanced trunks	D7Z2X	1,100.00	126.90	
- Discounted DS1 with basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks[1]	D7WD3	550.00	290.00	(N)
- Discounted DS1 with advanced trunks only[1]	D7ZD3	550.00	126.90	
• 5 years				
- All basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks	D7W3X	1,100.00 (1)	275.00	
- All advanced trunks	D7Z3X	1,100.00 (1)	109.98	
- Discounted DS1 with basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks[1]	D7WD5	-	275.00	(N)
- Discounted DS1 with advanced trunks only[1]	D7ZD5	-	109.98	

[1] Requires a 3-, 5- or 7-year contract for trunks in addition to this rate.

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D.3.d. (Cont'd)

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	STABILIZED MONTHLY RATE	
• 7 years				
- All basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks	D7W4X	\$1,100.00	\$275.00	
- All advanced trunks	D7Z4X	1,100.00	108.57	
- Discounted DS1 with basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks[1]	D7WD7	-	275.00	(N)
- Discounted DS1 with advanced trunks only[1]	D7ZD7	-	108.57	(N)
• 10 years				
- All basic trunks or a combination of basic and advanced trunks	D7W5X	1,100.00	275.00	
- All advanced trunks	D7Z5X	1,100.00	105.75	
Discounted DSS facility and common equipment provisioned on DS3 Service, per DSS facility activated[1]				
• 3 years				
- All advanced trunks	D3FD3	550.00 (R)	-	
• 5 years				
- All advanced trunks	D3FD5	-	-	
• 7 years				
- All advanced trunks	D3FD7	-	-	(N) (N)

[1] Requires a 3-, 5- or 7-year contract for trunks in addition to this rate.

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D.3. (Cont'd)

- e. The following trunks are available on a rate stabilized basis. The following rates apply for under 241 trunks. Trunks in quantities of 241 or more, shall be priced on an Individual Case Basis.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	STABILIZED MONTHLY RATE	
(1) 3-Year Plan				(M)
• Basic trunks with flat usage, each[1]				(N)
- In-only trunk	T5F13	\$43.00	\$28.50	
- Out-only trunk	T5FO3	43.00	28.50	
- Two-way trunk	T5FC3	43.00	28.50	(N)
• Advanced trunks with flat usage, each[1,2]				(M)
- In-only trunk with <i>DID</i>	TY413	65.50	\$7.00	(T)
- Out-only trunk with answer supervision	TY4O3	43.50	23.60	
- Two-way trunk with <i>DID</i> and answer supervision	TY4C3	66.00	\$7.00	
(2) 5-Year Plan				(M)
• Basic trunks with flat usage, each[1]				(N)
- In-only trunk	T5F15	-	27.60	
- Out-only trunk	T5FO5	-	27.60	
- Two-way trunk	T5FC5	-	27.60	(N)
• Advanced trunks with flat usage, each[1,2]				(M)
- In-only trunk with <i>DID</i>	TY415	-	54.00	(T)
- Out-only trunk with answer supervision	TY4O5	-	21.60	
- Two-way trunk with <i>DID</i> and answer supervision	TY4C5	-	54.00	(M)

[1] Requires a 3-, 5- or 7-year contract for the DS1 in addition to this rate.

[2] Separate *DID* Trunk Termination charges do not apply.

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	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	STABILIZED MONTHLY RATE
(3) 7-Year Plan			
• Basic trunks with flat usage, each[1]			
- In-only trunk	T5F17	-	\$27.60
- Out-only trunk	T5FO7	-	27.60
- Two-way trunk	T5FC7	-	27.60
• Advanced trunks with flat usage, each{1,2}			
- In-only trunk with DID	TY417	-	54.00
- Out-only trunk with answer supervision	TY407	-	21.60
- Two-way trunk with <i>DID</i> and answer supervision	TY4C7	-	54.00

[1] Requires a 3-, 5- or 7-year contract for the DS1 in addition to this rate.
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4. Digital Switched Service Volume Discount Plan

- a. The Digital Switched Service Volume Discount Plan is available to customers subscribing to more than 50 DSS trunks at one premises on one customer billing number. The discounted rate, specified below, begins with the 51st DSS trunk at the same customer premises. Discounted trunks must be subscribed to by the same customer but the customer billing number may be different than the initial 50 trunks.
- b. Trunks other than DSS trunks, utilizing the DSS common equipment, will not be discounted.
- c. Rates and charges, specified in either D.1. or D.3., preceding, apply to the DSS facility and common equipment and are not part of the Volume Discount Plan.
- d. Rates and charges for 51 trunks and above.

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	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE	
• Basic trunks with flat usage, each				
- In-only trunk with hunting	2LM1X	\$86.00	\$25.50	
- Out-only trunk	2LM0X	85.00	25.50	
- Two-way trunk with hunting	2LMCX	86.00	25.50	(M1)

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WEEKLY FILINGS

For the Period of April 05, 2001 through April 11 , 2001

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CONSUMER COMPLAINTS

CT01-014 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by S&S Communications, Aberdeen, South Dakota, against MCIWorldCom Regarding Billing, Poor Service and Unethical Behavior.

Complainant alleges that MCIWorldCom (MCI) has overbilled S&S Communications' (S&S) corporate account for the months of January through November 2000; MCI has direct billed S&S customers for unauthorized service at casual rates; MCI has provided poor service, slow or no switching of S&S subscriber base orders, not provided MCI LOA forms and proper information; MCI has stalled and mis-provisioned S&S dedicated T-1 facilities; MCI has frozen S&S service orders and its corporate account; and that MCI has performed in an overall unethical manner in its treatment of S&S and its customers. The complainant requests that MCI refund or credit S&S for the over charges; refund all monies that S&S paid as a result of the alleged unauthorized direct billings of its customers; that the Commission hold MCI accountable for its actions according to state and federal law; compensation for the delay in transitioning its dedicated facilities; that MCI compensate S&S for administration costs, lost revenues, and expenses relating to the complaint issue; and that the Commission bar MCI from disconnecting S&S and its customers before the Commission can rule on the merits of the complaint filed.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 04/05/01
Intervention Deadline: N/A

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC01-037 In the Matter of the Application of Local Telcom Holdings, LLC d/b/a Transpoint Communications for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

Local Telcom Holdings, LLC d/b/a Transpoint Communications is seeking a Certificate of Authority to provide non-facilities-based and resold interexchange telecommunications services indiscriminately to both residential and business class customers throughout the entire state of South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 04/06/01
Intervention Deadline: 04/27/01

TC01-038 In the Matter of the Request by McCook Cooperative Telephone Company for a Waiver of a Requirement to File a Switched Access Cost Study.

McCook Cooperative Telephone Company (McCook) filed a request to waive ARSD 20:10:27:07 which requires a company to submit "cost data in support of its switched access service tariff no less than once every three years." McCook acquired the telephone assets of Hanson Communications, Inc., which included the Salem and Alexandria exchanges, effective January 1, 2001. Alexandria prior to the transfer

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY QWEST) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF) REVISIONS
REVISIONS TO ITS EXCHANGE AND)
NETWORK SERVICES TARIFF) TC01-039**

On April 9, 2001, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Qwest Corporation (Qwest) for approval of revisions to its Exchange and Network Services Tariff. The revisions are intended to enhance the offerings of Digital Switched Service and offer Qwest customers more options.

On April 12, 2001, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 27, 2001, to interested individuals and entities. No parties sought intervention.

The following tariff sheets were filed with regard to the Exchange and Network Services Tariff

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At its regularly scheduled meeting of May 8, 2001, the Commission considered this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the above revisions to the Exchange and Network Services Tariff. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the above referenced revisions to the Exchange and Network Services Tariff, effective as of the date of this order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 14th day of May, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of interest in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.	
By: <u><i>Allison Kelbo</i></u>	
Date: <u>5/15/01</u>	
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner