

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY U S WEST)	ORDER APPROVING
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR REVISIONS TO)	REVISIONS
ITS EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES)	
TARIFF TO INCLUDE THE LOOP PORTION OF)	TC97-017
THE CENTREX 21 ANALOG STATION LINE)	

On February 19, 1997, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) regarding revisions to its Exchange and Network Services Tariff. The purpose of this filing is to place the loop portion of the Centrex 21 Analog Station Line in the tariff.

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

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The tariff sheets, above, provided that the charge for this service was to be \$30.00 as a monthly rate on a month to month basis, from 12 to 36 months and from 37 to 60 months.

At its duly noticed meeting on September 25, 1997, the Commission considered this matter. Commission Staff recommended that the charge referenced above be \$26.40. The matter was deferred at that time. The Commission again considered this matter on February 3, 1998, and unanimously voted to approve the filing and that the charge for the local transportation facility (the loop) be at Commission Staff's recommendation of \$26.40.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31 and ARSD Article 20:10. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves U S WEST's revisions to its Exchange and Network Services Tariff and that the charge embodied therein as the local transportation facility (the loop) charge shall be \$26.40.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 13th day of February, 1998.

<p>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record 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.</p> <p>By: <u><i>Alain Kalbo</i></u></p> <p>Date: <u>2/13/98</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner