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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Mr. William Bullard, Executive Director Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Mr. Bullard:

U S WEST Communications has attached for filing with the Commission the following revised pages from our Exchange and Network Services Tariff:

Section 5	Page	Release 2 2 2
5	Page 100 101 102	2
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5	102	2

These revisions standardize descriptions so that the service can be delivered consistently throughout the region. Additional language has been added to clarify how these services apply to various intercept possibilities. No rates are affected. U S WEST proposes an effective date of September 1, 1997. If you have any questions, please call me on 605-335-4590.

We would appreciate acknowledgment of receipt of this filling. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached for your convenience.

Sincerely.

Colleen E. Sevold Manager-Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

TELECOMMUNICATIONS NEW SERVICES CLASSIFICATION FILING

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",	Requested Classification.	() Er	merging Competitive ully Competitive	
2)	This service will be offered:	(X)	Intrastate, IntraLATA Intrastate, InterLATA Interstate	

- Detailed Description of Service: Revisions to the Intercept Service. These revisions include:
 - Basic Intercept description is separated into Basic Intercept and New Number. Referral. Basic provides a recorded announcement that the number dialed has been disconnected and New Number Referral provides the new number.
 - Operator Handled Intercept is being renamed Split Referral.
 - Extended Duration Intercept is being moved under the New Number Referral heading.
 - The USOC for Residence New Number Referral applicable to second and subsequent additional lines is being changed.
- Reason for Change: To standardize descriptions so that service can be delivered consistently across the U S WEST region.
- 5) Basis for Rates: No rates are affected.
- 6) Quantification of Customer Impact: There is no rate change with this filing.
- 7) Proposed Effective Date: September 1, 1997

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5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

5.8 OPERATOR SERVICES

5.8.4 INTERCEPT SERVICES

A. Description

Intercept se vices provide new number or explanatory information to callers dialing changed or disconnected numbers. They include messages delivered either mechanically or by operator.

Basic Intercept Service

Basic Intercept Service includes all intercept recordings that do not provide the new number information.

New Number Referral Service

New Number Referral Service includes all intercept recordings that provide the new number information.

Split Referral Intercept Service

Split Referral Intercept Service provides for calls to the disconnected number to be routed to the Operator who will challenge the incoming call and provide the new number information dependent on the caller's response.





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5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

5.8 OPERATOR SERVICES 5.8.4 INTERCEPT SERVICES (Cont'd)

- B. Terms and Conditions
 - Intercept services apply to temporary or permanently disconnected numbers, including vacation suspension service and telephone number changes.
 - Intercept services are offered for periods up to three months for residential customers and up to 12 months for business customers. Extended durations may also be available.
 - Intercept services are subject to the availability of the disconnected number and the availability of CO facilities.
- The Company will be held harmless from any claims which may arise out of the Company's provision of Intercent Services.
- 5. New Number Referral Service is available, at no charge, for the primary listed number and up to one additional line number per residential or business customer. A charge will apply for the second additional line and all subsequent additional lines. A charge will also apply, for all intercepted numbers, if the customer extends the intercept service over the 3 and 12 month period.

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5. EXCHANGE SERVICES

5.8 5.8.4 OPERATOR SERVICES INTERCEPT SERVICES (Cont'd)

C. Charges

	Charges			
		USOC	CHARGE	
1.	Basic Intercept	N/A	-	
2.	New Number Referral,			(N)
	Residence, per primary line,			
	and one additional line - 3 months	N/A		5333
	Business, per primary line,	IVA		ADDRESS
	and one additional line			
	- 12 months	N/A		(N)
	- 12 mondis			
	Second and subsequent additional lines			(T)
	- Residence, per line			
	- 3 months	A1W3X	\$ 15.00	(T)
	- Business, per line			
	- 12 months	AIWTX	20.00	
	 CENTRONI/DID, per line/number 			
	- 12 months	AISPL	16.00	
	 NPA 800, 900 and 975, per line 			
	- 12 months	AIWTX	40.00	
	Extended Duration			(T)
	- Residence, per line			
	- After 3 months, per month	AIWIX	5.00	
	- Business			
	- After 12 months, per month	AIWIX	15.00	
	 CENTRON/DID, per line/number 			
	- After 12 months, per month	AIWIX	15.00	
	 NPA 800, 900 and 975, per line 			
	- After 12 months, per month	AIWIX	30.00	
3.	Split Number Referral			(T)
	Residence, per line, per month	SIW	15.00	
	Business, per line, per month	SIW	50.00	
	CENTRON/DID, per line/number,			
	per month	SIW	50.00	
	 NPA 800, 900 and 975, 			
	per line, per month	SIW	100.00	

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FILINGS

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DOCKET NUMBER	TITLE/STAFF/SYNOPSIS	DATE FILED	INTERVENTION DEADLINE
	NONCOMPETITIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING		
TC87-134	U.S. WEST Communications has filed revisions to its Intercept Service in the Exchange and Network Services Tariff to Itstandardize descriptions so that the service can be delivered consistently throughout the region. Additional language has been added to clarify how these services apply to various intercept possibilities. No rates are affected. "(Staff: D.V.)	07/23/97	08/15/97
	REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY		
TC97-135	Application by Accutel Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/TZ) "Applicant seeks authority to offer a full range of 1+ interacchange telecommunications services on a resale basis. Specifically, Applicant seeks authority to provide MTS, out-WATS, in-WATS, and Calling Card Services. Applicant does not intend to provide operator services, 900 or 700 services."	07/28/97	08/15/97

Important Notice: The Commission is compiling a list of internet addresses. If you have an internet address please notify the Commission by: E-mailing if to Terry Norum at: term@puc state sd us: Faving the address to the Commission 605-773-3809

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY U S WEST)
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR REVISIONS TO)
ITS EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES)
TARIFF

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS

TC97-134

On July 23, 1997, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) for revisions to its Exchange and Network Services Tariff. The change will standardize descriptions so that services can be delivered consistently throughout the region. Additional language was added to clarify how the services apply to various intercept possibilities. No rates are affected by the changes. The following pages from U S WEST's Exchange and Network Services Tariff are affected:

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The filing requested a proposed effective date of September 1, 1997.

At its duly noticed meeting of August 18, 1997, the Commission considered approval of the application. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. The Commission unanimously decided to approve the revisions. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the revisions to U.S.WEST's Exchange and Network Services Tariff shall be approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 27 th day of August. 1997.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
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	Demer Buy
mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges pregaid thereon.	JAMES A. BURG, Chairman
or Allano Kallo	Ham Nelson
Date 9/2/97	PAM NELSON, Commissioner
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(OFFICIAL SEAL)	LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner