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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 Commission information only, the following revised page from our Exchange and Network Services Catalog:

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This revision changes a USOC code for toll packages.

Sincerely,



Colleen E. Sebold  
Manager-Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

# U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

## Exchange and Network Services Catalog

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### 6. MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

#### 6.3 OPTIONAL SERVICE OFFERINGS

#### 6.3.15 GOLD LINE CALLING PACKAGES (Cont'd)

##### D. Rates And Charges

##### 1. Gold Line Calling Packages

The rates below apply to all calls included in Gold Line Calling Packages in C.1. preceding and are in addition to the charges applicable to the class or type of exchange service to which the customer subscribes. Nonrecurring charges will apply for enrolling in a package.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	INITIAL PERIOD MONTHLY RATE FIRST HOUR	EACH ADD'L. 1/10 HOUR	
• Package A					
- Business	HT1	\$14.00	\$17.00	\$1.70	
- Residence	HT1	5.00	17.00	1.70	
• Package B					
- Business	HT9	14.00	10.80	1.08	
- Residence	HT9	5.00	10.80	1.08	
• Package C					
- Business	DHQXX	14.00	7.50	0.75	(T)
- Residence	DHQXX	5.00	7.50	0.75	(T)

The following monthly rate applies for each billing account with a Gold Line Calling Package. The service will start at the beginning of the next toll billing period. Nonrecurring charges will apply if call detail is requested subsequent to enrolling in a package.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE		MONTHLY RATE
		RESIDENCE	BUSINESS	
• Call detail	TBD	\$5.00	\$14.00	\$2.00

NOTICE

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# TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FILINGS

These are the telecommunications service filings that the Commission has received for the period of:

**01/23/98 through 01/29/98**

If you need a complete copy of a filing faxed, overnight expressed, or mailed to you, please contact Delaine Kolbo within five days of this filing

DOCKET NUMBER	TITLE/STAFF/SYNOPSIS	DATE FILED	INTERVENTION DEADLINE
<b>FORMAL COMPLAINT FILED</b>			
TC98-007	The Willow Lake Elevator vs U S WEST Communications. "The Willow Lake Elevator is in the process of installing a new fully integrated, on-line, real time, computer system. We have several remote locations and one of those locations is Carpenter. The Elevator would like to have a fully dedicated, local line from Carpenter to Willow Lake. The two different telephone companies (ITC and U S WEST) [said] that this could not be done. We live a total of 14 miles from each other and are in the same county, yet we cannot communicate locally." (Staff: SW/CH)	01/20/98	NA
TC98-008	Galen Waldner vs U S WEST Communications. "In December of 1997 we tried to hook up to the Internet partially for education benefits for my children and partially for our farming and insurance business. We could not get the internet to work. We could get our information out but could not get the information back because of our phone lines. After talking to people from U S WEST they basically said our service was working well for voice and there was nothing they would do. For the educational benefits for my children and the well being of my businesses we would really like to see the phone lines improved." (Staff: SW/KC)	01/20/98	NA
TC98-009	Dick Glanzer vs U S WEST Communications. "We tried to get on the Internet with two different providers, and after much time and aggravation found out that we were unable to get connected because of "antique" phone lines. Can't take advantage of caller ID. When we have a power outage we also lose our telephone. This is dangerous in case of an emergency. Fax machines are extremely slow or sometimes don't work properly. I am on the Board of directors of the Willow Lake Elevator. Carpenter Cenex is a branch of that organization. The distance between the two businesses is only 14 miles, but still there are serious problems with trying to connect computers between the two locations." I ask that the Commission grant the following relief: "Make U S WEST bury new phone lines in the affected area." (Staff: SW/KC)	01/20/98	NA
TC98-010	Regan Glanzer vs U S WEST Communications. "I cannot get Caller ID as the phone lines are old and also cannot get on the internet. Also when the electricity goes out the phone goes out so 911 services are gone." I ask that the Commission grant the following relief: "Take necessary steps to correct the problem. Put new phone lines in or whatever it takes. We pay the bills just like the other customers but don't receive as good of service or as many options." (Staff: SW/KC)	01/20/98	NA
TC98-011	Mike Madsen vs U S WEST Communications. "We cannot get Caller ID. Phone rings alot and when you answer no one is there. Can't get our computer on the internet. Phone connection is poor, have alot of double talk or alot of static. Would may be like to add a second line and phone company says we can't. When electricity goes out phones die within a couple of hours, so we can't even make emergency calls!" I ask that the Commission grant the following relief: "Look at updating phone lines." (Staff: SW/ KC)	01/20/98	NA

TC98-012	Claude Glanzer vs U S WEST Communications. "The U S WEST telephone lines serving our farm cannot supply us with services that we are in need of and are being charged to us on our local phone bill. We cannot get Internet, Caller ID, or second line. Noisy phone lines. If electricity is cut off "911" won't work." I ask that the Commission grant the following relief: "U S WEST should update or replace old phone lines." (Staff: SW/KC)	01/20/98	NA
<b>REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY</b>			
TC98-013	Application by Americatel Corporation for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/CH) "Americatel will offer direct dialed, long distance, casual dial-around 10XXX service on a non-presubscribed basis."	01/28/98	02/13/98
<b>EMERGING COMPETITIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING</b>			
TC98-014	U S WEST Communications has filed to change the Uniform Service Order Codes for Gold Line Calling Package C in its Exchange and Network Services Catalog. (Staff: HB/CH)	01/28/98	02/13/98

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY U S WEST )	ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF )	REVISIONS
REVISIONS TO ITS AND EXCHANGE AND )	
NETWORK SERVICES CATALOG )	TC98-014

On January 28, 1998, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) to change the Universal Service Order Code designation for Gold Line Calling Package, an optional toll service offering of U S WEST.

The following catalog sheets were filed with regard to the Exchange and Network Services Catalog:

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At its duly noticed meeting on February 24, 1998, the Commission considered this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31 and ARSD Article 20:10. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the above revision to U S WEST's Exchange and Network Services Catalog. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves U S WEST's revision to its Exchange and Network Services Catalog.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 27<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1998.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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.
By <u><i>Alaine Kalbs</i></u>
Date <u><i>3/2/98</i></u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

*James A. Burg*  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

*Pam Nelson*  
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

*Laska Schoenfelder*  
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner