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

Dear Ms. Elofson:

Qwest Corporation has attached for filing with the Commission the following revised pages from our Access Services Tariff:

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These revisions remove the Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration and Recovery Charge.

Qwest estimates that it will have under-recovered the amount of network expenses that were allowed for the institution of IntraLATA equal access in the state by approximately \$7,000 by the ordered termination date of July 22, 2002. Qwest ceased collection of these revenues effective July 23, 2002.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Colleen E. Sevold".

Colleen E. Sevold  
Manager-Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

**Qwest Corporation**  
**Access Service**  
**Tariff**

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**6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE**

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**6.8 RATES AND CHARGES**

**6.8.1 SWITCHED TRANSPORT**

A. Entrance Facility Monthly Rates

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>MONTHLY RATE</b>
1. Voice Grade, per point of termination	EF2AX,FE4AX	\$ 17.40
2. DS1, per DS1	EF2BX,FE4BX	150.00
3. DS3, per DS3	EF2CX,FE4CX	1,282.50

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**6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE**

**6.8 RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)**

**6.8.3 INTERCONNECTION CHARGE**

**RATE PER  
ACCESS MINUTE**

- Interconnection

\$0.004681

**6.8.4 MESSAGE UNIT CREDIT**

**FGA  
ACCESS MINUTE[1]**

- Rate per originating

\$(0.001726)

**6.8.5 RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE**

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[1] () equals a negative amount.

**South Dakota Public Utilities Commission**  
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**ELECTRIC**

**EL02-014 In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of a Contract with Deviations with the City of Bushnell.**

Otter Tail Power Company has filed for approval a Municipal Contract with the City of Bushnell and a Summary List of Contracts with Deviations. The Municipal Contract for the City of Bushnell was updated because the old Contract will expire on October 1, 2002. The new Contract does not include any new rates that would be considered a deviation.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris  
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Date Filed: 07/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

**NATURAL GAS**

**NG02-004 In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Energy for Approval of a Contract with Deviations with South Dakota State University.**

Application by NorthWestern Energy, formerly NorthWestern Public Service, for approval of a contract with deviations to serve the central heating plant of South Dakota State University (SDSU). The application states the contract is necessary in order to avoid bypass of NorthWestern Energy by SDSU constructing its own pipeline. The contract would offer transportation service and result in retention of revenues for NorthWestern Energy at a reduced amount.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson  
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Date Filed: 07/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**TC02-096 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Agreement for Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services and Resale of Telecommunications Services between Qwest Corporation and Centel Communications, Inc.**

On July 25, 2002, the Commission received for approval a filing of an Agreement for Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and

Resale of Telecommunications Services Provided by Qwest Corporation to Centel Communications, Inc. (Centel). According to the parties, the Agreement is a negotiated agreement and is made in order to set forth the terms, conditions, and prices under which Qwest will provide services for resale to Centel for the provision of local exchange services. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than August 14, 2002. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Rolayne Ailts Wiest  
Date Docketed: 07/25/02  
Initial Comments Due: 08/14/02

**TC02-097 In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff.**

On July 29, 2002, Qwest Corporation filed revised Access Service Tariff pages to remove the Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration Recovery Charge. Qwest Corporation ceased collection of these revenues effective July 23, 2002.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Date Docketed: 7/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: N/A

**TC02-098 In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff.**

On July 29, 2002, Qwest filed a revision to its Access Services Tariff. The purpose of the filing is to add USOCs to various existing transport rate elements. The USOCs are being added to bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney  
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Date Docketed: 07/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

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**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 ACCESS SERVICES )  
TARIFF ) TC02-097**

On July 29, 2002, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Qwest Corporation (Qwest) for approval of revisions to its Access Services Tariff. The revisions remove the Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration and Recovery Charge.

On August 1, 2002, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing to interested individuals and entities.

The following tariff sheets were filed with regard to the Access Services Tariff:

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At its regularly scheduled meeting of August 15, 2002, the Commission considered this matter. Qwest ceased collection of these revenues effective July 23, 2002.

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

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the above referenced revisions to the Access Services Tariff.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
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>Tina Dargatzis</u>
Date: <u>8-29-02</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson  
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Robert K. Sahr  
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner

John Smith  
by John Smith