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In the Matter of      IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING FOR  
     APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO  
     AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
     BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION  
     AND DIECA COMMUNICATIONS, INC.  
     D/B/A COVAD COMMUNICATIONS  
     COMPANY

Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota

DATE	MEMORANDA
7/31 03	Filed and Rocketed;
8/7 03	Weekly Filings;
9/5 03	Order Approving Amendment to Agreement;
9/5 03	Rocket Closed.

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**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

Pam Bonrud, Executive Director  
Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between DIECA Communications, Inc., d/b/a Covad Communications Company and Qwest Corporation f/k/a U S WEST Communications, Inc.  
Our File No. 2104.078

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:21 enclosed for filing are an original and ten (10) copies of the Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company ("Covad") and Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") for approval by the Commission. This is an amendment to the interconnection agreement between Covad and Qwest which was approved by the Commission on November 18, 1999 in Docket No. TC99-017.

This Amendment is made in order to add to the Agreement terms, conditions and rates for Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A to this Amendment.

Covad has authorized Qwest to submit this Agreement on Covad's behalf.

Sincerely yours,

BOYCE, GREENFIELD, PASHBY & WELK, L.L.P.



Thomas J. Welk

TJW/vjj

Enclosures

cc: Harry L. Pliskin – Covad (enclosure letter only)  
Megan Doberneck – Covad (enclosure letter only)  
Colleen Sevold  
Mary Sullivan (enclosure letter only)

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION

**Amendment for  
Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing  
to the  
Interconnection Agreement  
between  
Qwest Corporation  
and  
DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company  
for the State of South Dakota**

This is an Amendment ("Amendment") to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation (f/k/a U S WEST Communications, Inc.) ("Qwest"), a Colorado corporation, and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company ("CLEC"), a Virginia corporation.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, the Parties entered into an Interconnection Agreement, for service in the State of South Dakota, that was approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission on November 18, 1999, as referenced in Docket No. TC99-017 ("Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement under the terms and conditions contained herein.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

**Amendment Terms**

The Agreement is hereby amended by adding the terms, conditions and rates for Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing, as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.

**Effective Date**

This Amendment shall be deemed effective upon approval by the Commission; however, the Parties may agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment upon execution. To accommodate this need, CLEC will generate, if necessary, an updated Customer Questionnaire. In addition to the Questionnaire, all system updates will need to be completed by Qwest. CLEC will be notified within three (3) business days after all system changes have been made. Actual order processing may begin once these requirements have been met.

**Amendments; Waivers**

The provisions of this Amendment, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented without the written consent thereto by both Parties' authorized representatives. Waivers of, or consents to, departures from the provisions of this Amendment may not be given without the written consent thereto by both Parties' authorized representative. No waiver by any party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty

or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, will be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any prior or subsequent such occurrence.

**Entire Agreement**

This Agreement (including the documents referred to herein) constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the parties with regard to the subjects of this Agreement and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements, amendments or representations by or between the parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subjects of this Agreement.

The Parties intending to be legally bound have executed this Amendment as of the dates set forth below, in multiple counterparts, each of which is deemed an original, but all of which shall constitute one and the same instrument.

**DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a  
Covad Communications Company**

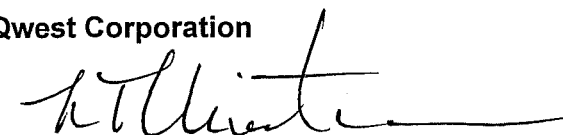
  
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Signature

SUSAN JIN-DAVIS  
Name Printed/Typed

Acting General Counsel  
Title

July 17, 2003  
Date

**Qwest Corporation**

  
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Signature

L. T. Christensen  
Name Printed/Typed

Director – Business Policy  
Title

7/21/03  
Date

**ATTACHMENT 1****Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing**

1 Provisioning options are available for Unbundled Loop elements. Charges for these Provisioning options vary depending on the type of Loop requested. Rates are contained in Exhibit A. Testing parameters are described below and in Qwest Technical Publication 77384.

1.1 Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing. Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing may be ordered for new or existing Unbundled Loops.

1.1.1 For an existing end user, Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing is a "lift and lay" procedure with Cooperative Testing on the Due Date. The COT "lifts" the Loop from its current termination and "lays" it on a new termination connecting to CLEC. Upon completion of Qwest performance testing, the Qwest Implementor/Tester will contact CLEC, read the Qwest test results, and begin CLEC cooperative testing. Within two (2) business days, Qwest will email the Qwest test results to a single, designated CLEC office email address. CLEC and Qwest will perform a Loop back acceptance test, accept the Loop, and exchange demarcation information.

1.1.2 For new end user service, Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing may require a dispatch to the end user premises. The COT and Field Technician complete circuit wiring and perform the required performance tests to ensure the new circuit meets the required parameter limits.

1.1.3 If Qwest fails to perform cooperative testing due to Qwest's fault, Qwest will waive the nonrecurring charge for the installation option. If CLEC still desires cooperative testing, the Parties will attempt to set a new appointment time on the same day and, if unable to do so, Qwest will issue a jeopardy notice and a FOC with a new Due Date.

Amendment				
		Recurring	Non-Recurring	Notes
9 Unbundled Network Elements (UNEs)				
9.2 Unbundled Loops				
9.2.4 Loop Installation Charges for 2 & 4 wire Analog / Non - Loaded, ISDN BRI Capable, xDSL - I Capable, and ADSL Compatible Loop where conditioning is not required.				
9.2.4.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing				
First			\$142.10	#
Each Additional			\$86.61	#
9.2.5 DS1 Loop Installation Charges				
9.2.5.5 Basic Install with Cooperative Testing				
First			\$315.96	1
Each Additional			\$217.23	1
Notes				
# Rate Voluntarily Reduced				
▪ Unless otherwise indicated, all rates are pursuant to the Qwest and AT&T Interconnection Agreement approved by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in Docket Number TC-184, effective March 4, 1999.				
1 Rates addressed in Cost Docket . (TELRIC based where required.)				

**South Dakota Public Utilities Commission**  
**WEEKLY FILINGS**  
For the Period of July 31, 2003 through August 6, 2003

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**CONSUMER COMPLAINTS**

**CT03-125      In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Kyle L. Ammann, Bowdle, South Dakota, against S&S  
Communications/Alterna-Cell Regarding Loss of Long Distance Services.**

Complainant represents that he purchased a ten-year prepaid long distance service plan on April 21, 1999. Service was terminated without notice in June 2003. Complainant seeks to be reimbursed for the prepaid service not provided plus interest.

Staff Analyst: Jim Mehlhaff  
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: N/A

**CT03-126      In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Rhianne Ammann, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, against S&S  
Communications/Alterna-Cell Regarding Disconnection.**

Complainant represents that she had a calling plan with the respondent. While this plan was in effect she received billing from a third party for calls that should have been included in the plan. To date the third party billing has not been resolved. Complainant seeks to have the third party take responsibility for the unpaid billing.

Staff Analyst: Jim Mehlhaff  
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: N/A

**CT03-127      In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Cindy Steffen, Gregory, South Dakota, against S&S  
Communications/Alterna-Cell Regarding Loss of Long Distance Services.**

Complainant purchased a phone contract from the respondent and set up a payment plan that has resulted in a third party financial institution debiting the complainant's checking account on a monthly basis. In June the respondent stopped providing phone service, however the monthly payment continues to be drawn by the third party. Complainant seeks to have the monthly debits stopped without penalty or damage to her credit rating.

Staff Analyst: Jim Mehlhaff  
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: N/A

**CT03-128      In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Duane O'Neal, Wessington, South Dakota, against S&S  
Communications/Alterna-Cell Regarding Loss of Long Distance Services.**

Complainant represents on behalf of his business, that on July 24, 1999, he purchased a seven-year prepaid long distance service plan. On June 5, 2003, service was terminated without notice. Complainant seeks to be reimbursed for the prepaid service not provided.

Staff Analyst: Jim Mehlhaff  
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier

Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: N/A

## TELECOMMUNICATIONS

**TC03-121 In the Matter of the Filing by PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff.**

On July 31, 2003, PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. filed to reduce the late payment rate in its Intrastate Access Tariff.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 07/31/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/15/03

**TC03-122 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company.**

On July 31, 2003, the Commission received a Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company. According to the parties, the Amendment is made in order to add to the Agreement terms, conditions and rates for Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A to the Amendment. The original Agreement was approved by the Commission in Docket TC99-017 on November 18, 1999. 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 20, 2003. 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: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 07/31/03  
Initial Comments Due: 08/20/03

**TC03-123 In the Matter of the Request of Kennebec Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Kennebec Telephone Company (Kennebec) provided information constituting Kennebec's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Kennebec will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-124 In the Matter of the Request of Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa d/b/a Hickory Tech Corporation for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa d/b/a HickoryTech (HickoryTech) provided information constituting HickoryTech's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that HickoryTech will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03



**TC03-125 In the Matter of the Request of Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority (CRST Telephone Authority) provided information constituting CRST Telephone Authority's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that CRST Telephone Authority will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-126 In the Matter of the Request of McCook Cooperative Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, McCook Cooperative Telephone Company (McCook) provided information constituting McCook's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that McCook will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-127 In the Matter of the Request of Sioux Valley Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Sioux Valley Telephone Company (Sioux Valley) provided information constituting Sioux Valley's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Sioux Valley will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-128 In the Matter of the Request of Tri-County Telcom, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Tri County Telcom Inc. (Tri County) provided information constituting Tri County's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Tri County will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-129 In the Matter of the Request of Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 1, 2003, Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company (Stockholm-Strandburg) provided information constituting Stockholm-Strandburg's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Stockholm-Strandburg will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/01/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-130 In the Matter of the Request of West River Cooperative Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 4, 2003, West River Cooperative Telephone Company (West River) provided information constituting West River's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that West River will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-131 In the Matter of the Request of Beresford Municipal Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 4, 2003, Beresford Municipal Telephone Company (Beresford) provided information constituting Beresford's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Beresford will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-132 In the Matter of the Request of Jefferson Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 4, 2003, Jefferson Telephone Company (Jefferson) provided information constituting Jefferson's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Jefferson will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-133 In the Matter of the Request of Three River Telco for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 4, 2003, Three River Telco provided information constituting Three River Telco's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Three River Telco will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-134 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC.**

On August 4, 2003, the Commission received a Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC. According to the parties, the Agreement is amended by adding terms, conditions and rates for Collocation Available Inventory, as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A, attached to the Amendment. 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 25, 2003. 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: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Initial Comments Due: 08/25/03

**TC03-135 In the Matter of the Request of Midstate Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 4, 2003, Midstate Communications, Inc. (Midstate) provided information constituting Midstate's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Midstate will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/04/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-136 In the Matter of the Request of NebCom, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, NebCom, Inc. provided information constituting NebCom, Inc.'s plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that NebCom, Inc. will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-137 In the Matter of the Request of Great Plains Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, Great Plains Communications, Inc. (Great Plains) provided information constituting Great Plains's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Great Plains will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-138 In the Matter of the Request of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, James Valley Cooperative Telephone Co (James Valley) provided information constituting James Valley's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that James Valley will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer

Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-139 In the Matter of the Request of Kadoka Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, Kadoka Telephone Company (Kadoka) provided information constituting Kadoka's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Kadoka will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-140 In the Matter of the Request of Union Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, Union Telephone Company (Union) provided information constituting Union's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Union will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-141 In the Matter of the Request of Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company (Bridgewater-Canistota) provided information constituting Bridgewater-Canistota's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Bridgewater-Canistota will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-142 In the Matter of the Request of Armour Independent Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 5, 2003, Armour Independent Telephone Company (Armour) provided information constituting Armour's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Armour will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/05/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-143 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC.**

On August 6, 2003, the Commission received a Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and MCIMetro Access Transmission Services, LLC. According to the parties, the Agreement is

amended to incorporate the PAP, as approved by the Commission, as Attachment 1. The PID, which was Exhibit B to the Commission approved SGAT, is incorporated as Attachment 2. The original Agreement was approved by the Commission in Docket TC02-183 on January 28, 2003. 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 26, 2003. 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: Kelly Frazier  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Initial Comments Due: 08/26/03

**TC03-144 In the Matter of the Request of Western Telephone Company for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, Western Telephone Company (Western) provided information constituting Western's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Western will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-145 In the Matter of the Request of City of Brookings Municipal Telephone for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, City of Brookings Municipal Telephone (Brookings) provided information constituting Brookings' plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Brookings will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-146 In the Matter of the Request of Venture Communications Cooperative for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, Venture Communications Cooperative (Venture) provided information constituting Venture's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Venture will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-147 In the Matter of the Request of Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (Golden West) provided information constituting Golden West's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Golden West will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer

Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-148 In the Matter of the Request of Vivian Telephone Company d/b/a Golden West Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, Vivian Telephone Company d/b/a Golden West Communications, Inc. (Vivian) provided information constituting Vivian's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Vivian will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-149 In the Matter of the Request of Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, Valley Telecommunications Cooperative Association, Inc. (Valley) provided information constituting Valley's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Valley will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-150 In the Matter of the Request of West River Telecommunications Cooperative for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, West River Telecommunications Cooperative (West River Telecommunications) provided information constituting West River Telecommunications' plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that West River Telecommunications will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-151 In the Matter of the Request of West River Telecommunications Cooperative (Mobridge) for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, West River Telecommunications Cooperative (Mobridge) provided information constituting Mobridge's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that Mobridge will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best  
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer  
Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
Intervention Deadline: 08/22/03

**TC03-152 In the Matter of the Request of RT Communications, Inc. for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support.**

On August 6, 2003, RT Communications, Inc. (RT) provided information constituting RT's plan for the use of its federal universal service support and to otherwise verify that RT will use all federal universal service support received in a manner that is consistent with the federal universal service provisions of 47 U.S.C. Section 254.

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Date Docketed: 08/06/03  
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING FOR )	ORDER APPROVING
APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN )	AMENDMENT TO
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN )	AGREEMENT
QWEST CORPORATION AND DIECA )	
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A COVAD )	TC03-122
COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY )	

On July 31, 2003, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for approval by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) an amendment to an interconnection agreement between DIECA Communications, Inc. d/b/a Covad Communications Company (DIECA) and Qwest. The amendment is made in order to add to the agreement terms, conditions and rates for Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A to the amendment.

On August 7, 2003, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing of the amendment to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until August 20, 2003, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed September 2, 2003, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the negotiated amendment to the agreement between Qwest and DIECA. Commission Staff recommended its approval.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), the Commission found that the amendment does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the amendment and the amendment is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the amendment to the agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the negotiated amendment to the agreement as described herein.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003.

<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>Melaine Kolbo</u>
Date: <u>9/5/03</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Robert K. Sahr  
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman *JK*

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

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JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner