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November 16, 2005

Ms. Heather Forney
Acting Executive Director
State Capitol Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Dear Ms. Forney:

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

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The purpose of this filing is to revise charges associated with changing a primary interexchange carrier ("PIC"), consistent with the FCC's Order in CC Docket No. 02-53, *In The Matter of Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charges*. Effective with this filing, when a customer chooses to change their long distance carrier and the change is processed manually, a charge of \$5.50 will apply. If the change is processed electronically, a \$1.25 charge will apply. If simultaneous interLATA and intraLATA changes are requested, a charge of \$2.75 will apply for manual changes; \$.062 will apply if the changes are made electronically.

The FCC's order on PIC Change Charges was issued in February 2005, requiring significant changes to PIC structure and rating. The implementation date of the order was November 1, 2005. Subsequently, many companies, including Qwest, filed petitions for reconsideration of the "50% rule" and met with the FCC staff on several occasions to discuss concerns with the order. Specifically, Qwest filed ex partes with the FCC on April 6, 2005, and September 20, 2005. While those efforts were in progress, however, Qwest continued taking action to ensure it was ready to comply with the FCC's order on November 1, 2005. These actions included significant changes to service order and billing systems, in addition to the preparation of filings needed to change the Company's interstate and intrastate tariffs.

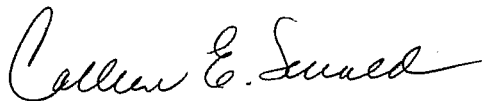
These changes were required to ensure a consistent pricing structure between the interstate and intrastate tariffs and to allow the Company to fully recover the PIC change costs associated with a simultaneous PIC change. In addition, Qwest had proceeded with customer notifications required to advise them of the new structure and charges.

Qwest continued on this course until early September, when Qwest and other parties began discussions with the FCC staff regarding concerns with the February order, including the 50% discount rules and the level of safe harbor rates. On September 14, 2005, Qwest met with the FCC to discuss the impact of Qwest's intrastate implementation plans if the Commission were to make any changes to the February 2005 order. Qwest advised that any changes in structure and rating would result in delays in its intrastate filings. Qwest advised the FCC staff of the interdependency of the interstate and intrastate tariff structure and that any changes to the FCC's February 2005 Order would require Qwest, in states where notice had been given, to re-notice customers if the rates were changed, further impacting the normal intrastate tariff approval process. On Friday, October 14, 2005, Qwest was informed by the FCC that it was issuing an order delaying the implementation date to no later than January 1, 2006.

Qwest respectfully requests an effective date of December 31, 2005 for these proposed revisions. Qwest customers were advised of these changes through a bill insert included with September Qwest bill statements; a subsequent bill insert advising South Dakota customers of the change to the proposed effective date will be included with December Qwest bill statements. Copies of the notices are included as attachments to this filing.

We would appreciate acknowledgment of receipt of this filing. A duplicate copy of this letter, along with 10 additional copies, are attached for your convenience.

Sincerely



Colleen E. Sebold
Manager-Policy & Law

Receipt acknowledged _____
(Date)

By, _____
Public Utilities Commission
State of South Dakota

Qwest Corporation
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**13. ADDITIONAL ENGINEERING, ADDITIONAL LABOR
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13.3 MISCELLANEOUS SERVICES

13.3.3 INTEREXCHANGE CARRIER SUBSCRIPTION (Cont'd)

B. Terms and Conditions

1. Charge Application for IC Subscription

- a. End users or PSPs placing orders for new service will be asked to select a primary IC at the time they place an order with the Company for Exchange Service, Switched Access Lineside connection, Centrex-type service or PAL Service. There will be no charge for this selection.
- b. Subsequent to the installation of Telephone Exchange Service, Switched Access Lineside connection, Centrex-type service or PAL Service, for any change in selection, including a change from one access code to another access code for the same IC, a nonrecurring charge applies.
- c. When end users or PSPs simultaneously choose or change an intraLATA and interLATA primary IC, a PIC change charge from F.C.C. No. 1, Section 13, will apply in addition to the applicable charge as set forth in D., following.
- d. The nonrecurring charge for a primary IC change is billed to the end user who is the subscriber to the Telephone Exchange Service, Switched Access Lineside connection, Centrex-type service or to the PSP of PAL Service. However, an IC may, at its option, pay the charge for any end user and/or PSP at any time, or as prescribed by the Company, when the IC has specified that the PIC change request is being made as the result of an end user/PSP disputed PIC change reported to the alleged authorized carrier. The nonrecurring charge for a PIC change is set forth in D., following.
- e. The applicable primary IC change charge as set forth in D., following, will be determined based on whether the change is requested through manual or electronic means.
 - (1) A manual change is defined as a change submitted to a customer service representative from an end user request or by a wholesale provider request.
 - (2) An electronic change is defined as a change submitted by an IC to the Company through the Regional Subscription System (RSS) or processed from an electronic source such as a Company – sponsored website, regardless of whether some manual processing is required.

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D. Rates and Charges

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
1. The charges for a Manual PIC change are as follows:			(C)
• Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk	P6XLX	\$5.50(I)	
• Per Switched Access Lineside connection	P6XLX	5.50	
• Per Centrex-type line	P6XLX	5.50	
• Per PAL	P6XLX	5.50(I)	(C)
2. The charges for an Electronic PIC change are as follows:			(N)
• Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk	P6XFX	1.25	
• Per Switched Access Lineside connection	P6XFX	1.25	
• Per Centrex-type line	P6XFX	1.25	
• Per PAL	P6XFX	1.25	
3. The charges for a simultaneous Manual PIC change are as follows[1]:			
• Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk	P6XPX	2.75	
• Per Switched Access Lineside connection	P6XPX	2.75	
• Per Centrex-type line	P6XPX	2.75	
• Per PAL	P6XPX	2.75	
4. The charges for a simultaneous Electronic PIC change are as follows[1]:			
• Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk	P6XOX	0.62	
• Per Switched Access Lineside connection	P6XOX	0.62	
• Per Centrex-type line	P6XOX	0.62	
• Per PAL	P6XOX	0.62	(N)
5. The charges for an IC Initiated Conversion are as follows:			(T)
• Per Telephone Exchange Service line or trunk		0.75	
• Per Switched Access Lineside connection		0.75	
• Per Centrex-type line		0.75	
• Per PAL		0.75	

[1] Simultaneous Manual and Electronic PIC Charges will apply in addition to the charges described in 13.3.3.B.1.c., preceding.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SOUTH DAKOTA CUSTOMERS

Effective November 1, 2005, the charge to change your long distance service provider, commonly referred to as a primary interexchange carrier (PIC), will increase from \$5.00 to \$5.50 for those orders that require manual processing. If, however, your carrier is able to submit your PIC change request electronically, the charge will be reduced from \$5.00 to \$1.25 per line. In addition, if you change both your intrastate carrier and interstate carrier at the same time, a charge of \$1.25 will apply if your PIC changes are able to be submitted electronically; otherwise, a charge of \$5.50 will apply. These charges recover the cost to process your change in long distance service provider and are a result of new pricing regulations put in place by the Federal Communications Commission. Qwest will file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission to implement these same changes within the state of South Dakota.

For more information or if you have questions about these changes and how these rates may affect you, please call Qwest at the number listed on your bill or the appropriate business office listed below.

Residential	1 800-244-1111
Small Business Service	1 800-603-6000
Federal Service	1 800-879-1023
Government and Education	1 800-777-9594
Large Business Service	1 800-777-9594

Thank you for choosing Qwest.



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SOUTH DAKOTA CUSTOMERS

Please Note

We recently sent you a notice similar to the one below informing you of a change to the charge for switching your long-distance services provider, or primary interexchange carrier (PIC). Due to a recent FCC order and state concurrence, Qwest will implement the change on December 31, 2005.

Effective November 1, 2005, the charge to change your long-distance service provider, commonly referred to as a primary interexchange carrier (PIC), will increase from \$5.00 to \$5.50 for those orders that require manual processing. If, however, your carrier is able to submit your PIC change request electronically, the charge will be reduced from \$5.00 to \$1.25 per line. In addition, if you change both your intrastate carrier and interstate carrier at the same time, a charge of \$1.25 will apply if your PIC changes are able to be submitted electronically; otherwise, a charge of \$5.50 will apply. These charges recover the cost to process your change in long-distance service provider and are a result of new pricing regulations put in place by the Federal Communications Commission. Qwest® will file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission to implement these same changes within the state of South Dakota.



For more information or if you have questions about these changes and how these rates may affect you, please call Qwest at the number listed on your bill or the appropriate business office listed below.

Residential	1 800-764-3314
Small Business Service	1 800-764-3074
Federal Service	1 800-879-1023
Government and Education	1 800-777-9594
Large Business Service	1 800-777-9594

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