# Exhibit A

# Side-by-Side Comparison of Rates

Originating	CenturyLink	OrbitCom
Local Switching	\$0.008610	\$0.008610
CCL	\$0.038420	\$0.038420
Switched Transport <sup>1</sup>	*****	\$0.000000
Tandem Switching <sup>2</sup>	\$0.007700	\$0.007700

Terminating	CenturyLink	OrbitCom
Local Switching	\$0.00	\$0.006000
CCL	\$0.006391	\$0.000000
Switched Transport	*****	\$0.000000
Tandem Switching	\$0.007700	\$0.000000

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OrbitCom was unable to locate any specific rate element for switched transport in the Qwest Corporation Access Service Tariff.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Qwest Corporation Access Service Tariff for the State of South Dakota does not make a distinction between originating and terminating rates for its tandem switching charge.

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# 3. CARRIER COMMON LINE ACCESS SERVICE

# 3.9 RATES AND CHARGES

RATE PER ACCESS MINUTE

Terminating Per Access MinuteOriginating Per Access Minute

\$0.006391 (R) 0.038420

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# 6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

6.8 RATES AND CHARGES

6.8.1 SWITCHED TRANSPORT (Cont'd)

C. Tandem-Switched Transport Usage Rates

MILEAGE BANDS	RATE PER ACCESS MINUTE FIXED PER MILE	
WIILEAGE DANDS	LIXED	PER MILE
1. Tandem Transmission		
0 Over 0 to 8 Over 8 to 25 Over 25 to 50 Over 50	\$0.000237 0.000273 0.000308 0.000311	\$0.000015 0.000018 0.000019 0.000020
		RATE PER ACCESS MINUTE
2 Tandem Switching Charge		\$0 007700

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# 6. SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICE

- 6.8 RATES AND CHARGES (Cont'd)
- 6.8.2 LOCAL SWITCHING
  - A. Local End Office Switching

RATE PER ACCESS MINUTE

LS1 - Feature Groups A and B[1]
LS2 - Feature Groups C and D[2]

\$0.008610 0.008610

<sup>[1]</sup> Except for FGA, and FGB used to terminate traffic to a WATS Access Line provided from an equal access end office.

<sup>[2]</sup> And FGA and FGB used to terminate traffic to a WATS Access Line provided from an equal access end office.

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# 6. SWIICHED 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

(C)

(D)