

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY U S WEST) ORDER APPROVING
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF) REVISIONS
REVISIONS TO ITS ACCESS SERVICE TARIFF) TC98-074**

On April 23, 1998, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) seeking approval of revisions to its Access Service Tariff. The purpose of the filing is to apply cancellation charges when a customer cancels an order for installation prior to notification by U S WEST that the service is available for the customer's use. Cancellation charges will be assessed based on a percentage of how far service provisioning has progressed. The percentages apply to the total non-recurring charges associated with the order and are tracked by critical dates that are followed in service provisioning. They reflect the amount of cost that U S WEST has incurred at various stages of provisioning a service. The cancellation date is the date U S WEST receives written or verbal notice from a customer that an order is to be cancelled. U S WEST requested an effective date of May 22, 1998. Also included in the filing were revised pages from the Private Line Services Catalog. These were filed for Commission information only.

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

<u>Section</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Release</u>
1	23	2
1	24	3
1	25	2
5	18	2
5	19	2
5	20	2
5	21	1

The following tariff sheets were filed with regard to the Private Line Services Catalog:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Page</u>	<u>Release</u>
4	3	3
4	4	3
4	5	3
4	5.1	1

At its duly noticed meeting on May 12, 1998, the Commission considered this matter. Commission Staff recommended approval of the filing.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the above revisions to U S WEST's Access Service Tariff. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the above-referenced U S WEST revisions to its Access Service Tariff.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 26th day of May, 1998.

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>Alaine Kalbo</u>
Date:	<u>5/26/98</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