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June 16, 1997

Mr. William Bullard, Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
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Dear Mr. Bullard:

U S WEST Communications has attached for filing with the Commission the following revised pages from our Exchange and Network Services Tariff:

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Also attached for Commission information are the following pages from our Exchange and Network Services Catalog:

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These revisions remove from the tariff references to exchanges that have been sold by U S WEST Communications. This sale became effective on June 1, 1997. In addition, this filing includes some text changes and clean-up items.

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, appearing to read "Colleen Sebold".

Colleen E. Sebold
Manager-Regulatory Affairs

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS NEW SERVICES CLASSIFICATION FILING

- 1) Requested Classification: Non-Competitive
 Emerging Competitive
 Fully Competitive

- 2) This service will be offered: Intrastate, IntraLATA
 Intrastate, InterLATA
 Interstate

- 3) Detailed Description of Service: Removal of sold exchanges from the Tariff and Catalog.

- 4) Reason for Change: These exchanges have been sold by U S WEST Communications.

- 5) Basis for Rates: There are no rates affected by this filing.

- 6) Quantification of Customer Impact: Affects customers served from these exchanges who will not be served by other companies.

- 7) Proposed Effective Date: June 1, 1997

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5.1 EXCHANGE AREAS

5.1.1 EXCHANGES AND THEIR EXTENDED AREA SERVICE (EAS) POINTS

A. General

Extended Area Service entitles the customer to service without other charge to all access lines connected with a designated exchange, commonly called Extended Area Service. EAS refers to such service provided by means of special extended service circuits between the two exchanges.

Extended area service may not be terminated once established except through a termination plan that continues rates for a sufficient period of time after the investment is removed to recover costs. Such consideration may be made on a case-by-case basis.

Where EAS is provided, the exchanges with which it is provided are shown indented below the principal exchange.

EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Aberdeen Cresbard[1] Frederick[1] Mellette[1]	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Arlington Lake Preston	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(T)
Belle Fourche Nisland[1] W. Belle Fourche	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in the state of Wyoming.	

[1] Non-Company Exchanges.

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Canton-Fairview Worthing[1]	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in the state of Iowa.	(T)
Cavour Huron Iroquois	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(T)
Chamberlain Ft. Thompson[1] Kimball[1] Pukwana[1] Reliance[1]	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D) (T) (T) (D)
Colman Flandreau	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(T)
Deadwood Lead Spearfish Whitewood W. Spearfish	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
DeSmet Lake Preston	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Elk Point	A	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Flandreau Colman	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Harrisburg Lennox[1] Sioux Falls Tea	I	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in state of Iowa.	(T)
Hill City Hermosa[1] Keystone[1] Rapid City	G	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(T) (T)

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Huron	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Cavour			(T)
Hitchcock[1]			(T)
Iroquois			
Wolsey[1]			(T)
Iroquois	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Cavour			(T)
Huron			
Lake Preston	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Arlington (includes towns of Badger and Hetland)			
DeSmet			
Lead	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Deadwood			
Spearfish			(T)
Whitewood			
W. Spearfish			

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	(D)
McIntosh Lemmon[1] Morristown	D	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in state of North Dakota.	(D)
Madison Chester[1] Nunda[1] Oldham-Ramona[1] Wentworth[1] Winfred[1]	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Milbank Revilla[1] Stockholm[1] Summit[1] Wilmot[1]	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Miller	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Mitchell	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Morristown Lemmon[1] McIntosh	D	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in state of North Dakota	(T)
Pierre-Ft. Pierre Hayes[1]	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Rapid City Hermosa[1] Hill City Keystone[1]	G	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Redfield Doland[1] Tulare[1]	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Sioux Falls Baltic[1] Brandon[1] Crooks[1] Garretson[1] Harrisburg Hartford[1] Tea Valley Springs[1]	I	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Sisseton Claire City[1] New Effington[1] Peever[1] Rosholt[1] Veblen[1]	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Spearfish Deadwood Lead Whitewood W. Spearfish	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in state of Wyoming.	
Sturgis	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Tea Harrisburg Lennox[1] Sioux Falls	I	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Timber Lake	B	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Vermillion	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	
Volga-Bruce	C	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Brookings Municipal[1]		Based on the Public Service Commission's Order TC94-092 dated June 22, 1995, Volga customers will be assessed \$2.00 per access line for EAS to Brookings Municipal and Brookings Rural.	
Brookings Rural[1]			
Sinai[1]			
Watertown	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Castlewood[1]			
Florence[1]			
Hayti[1]			
Lake Norden[1]			
South Shore[1]			
Willow Lake[1]			

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EXCHANGE	RATE GROUP	EXCEPTION	
Whitewood Deadwood Lead Spearfish W. Spearfish	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete.	(D)
Yankton Irene (Includes community of Mayfield)[1] Lesterville[1] Tabor[1] Wakonda (Includes towns of Gayville and Volin)[1]	E	2FB and 2FR service is obsolete. - Also serves rural territory in state of Nebraska	(C) (C)

[1] Non-Company Exchanges.

[2] Pages 10 through 16 were previously cancelled.

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5.1.2 EXCHANGE AREA RATE GROUPS

1. Local exchange service rates are established under a state-wide grouping plan generally recognizing both value and cost of service and based upon the number of terminals available, without toll charge, within the local calling service area. In this manner, local exchange service rates are applied uniformly throughout the state by size of exchange and scope of service available to customers.

Local Exchange Main Line Service rates apply for each local exchange access line.

2. Exchange rates for each exchange are established by rate groups, determined by the total number of terminals excluding Company office, assessable within the local calling area of that exchange, and those provided under the Extended Calling Plan. "Terminal" as used here, is a telephone number termination in a Company central office. When it is established that any exchange no longer is within its classified group limits as outlined below, either through increased or decreased development, the Company shall apply to the State Public Utilities Commission for the automatic reclassification of such exchange to its proper group as follows:
 - a. When through normal access line gain or loss the terminal development of the local calling area is above or below the group limitation for six consecutive months and such development reaches four percent above or below the upper or lower limits, as applicable, of the rate group in which the exchange is presently classified.
 - b. Through the enlargement of the local calling area resulting from the consolidation of exchanges.

RATE GROUP	TERMINAL DEVELOPMENT
A and B	1 - 1,000
C and D	1,001 - 5,000
E	5,001 - 20,000
G	20,001 - 45,000
I	45,001 - 60,000

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3. Classification of Exchanges by Rate Groups. All Exchanges have Local Measured Service available.

RATE
GROUP

- A Elk Point
- B Timber Lake
- C Arlington, Belle Fourche, Canton-Fairview, Chamberlain, Colman, DeSmet, Flandreau, Lake Preston, Milbank, Miller, Redfield, Sisseton, Sturgis, Vermillion, Volga-Bruce
- D McIntosh, Morristown (C)
- E Aberdeen, Cavour, Deadwood, Huron, Iroquois, Lead, Madison, Mitchell, Pierre-Ft. Pierre, Spearfish, Watertown, Whitewood, Yankton (D)
- G Hill City, Rapid City
- I Harrisburg, Sioux Falls, Tea

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5.1.6 LOCAL SERVICE INCREMENTS

A.2. (Cont'd)

- c. The number of lines required to provide the Extended Calling Plan will be determined by the Company subject to Commission approval as hereinafter provided. At the end of the first year that the plan is in effect, the network will be adjusted based on actual usage. Thereafter, the network requirement will be reviewed annually. If usage is such that additional lines are required, proposed rates reflecting the additional cost of additional lines shall be submitted to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for its approval of both, whether additional lines should be added, and whether the proposed rates are just and reasonable.

3. Terms and Conditions

- a. The Extended Calling Plan may be provided only upon demonstration of a substantial majority of customer acceptance at rates as determined by the conditions of this Tariff.
- b. All customers to exchange service in exchanges where the Extended Calling Plan is in effect must also subscribe to the Extended Calling Plan.
- c. The Extended Calling Plan may be suspended only when the exchange service with which it is associated is suspended. The rates and conditions for the suspension of the Extended Calling Plan are the same as those specified for the suspension of exchange service in Section 2.
- d. The minimum service period for the Extended Calling Plan is the same as for local exchange service.

4. Rates

- a. The monthly rates shall be determined on a case-by-case basis. Such rates shall be calculated to recover the cost of providing the service plus the toll revenues lost with implementation of Extended Calling Plan. All calculations for rates shall be submitted to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for approval.

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5.1.8 BORDER EXCHANGES (Cont'd)

BIG STONE CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA

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- A. This Tariff applies to service furnished from the Ortonville, Minnesota exchange to the territory located in South Dakota; namely, the town of Big Stone City and surrounding area.
- B. The General Regulations and the Exchange and Network Services Tariff for the State of Minnesota are hereby made a part of this Tariff and apply to this service except as otherwise provided herein.
- C. The rates listed below entitle the customer to service without other charge to all stations connected to the Ortonville, Minnesota exchange (includes Big Stone City stations) as well as all stations connected to the Clinton and Odessa, Minnesota exchanges.
- D. The base rate area is within the boundary shown on the Ortonville, Minnesota Base Rate Area Map.
- E. Monthly Rates for Big Stone City

	MONTHLY RATE	USAGE ALLOWANCE	
• Business			
- One-Party Flat	\$34.61 (I)	N/A	(D)
- Measured Service	21.31 (I)	-	
• Residence			
- One-Party Flat	13.96 (I)	N/A	(D)
- One-Party Measured	8.73 (I)	3 hours	

F. Measured Service Usage Charges

DISTANCE IN MILES	INITIAL MINUTE RATE	EACH ADDITIONAL MINUTE RATE
0 - 10	\$0.05	\$0.01
11 - over	0.06	0.02

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5.1.8 BORDER EXCHANGES (Cont'd)

SOUTH DAKOTA RURAL TERRITORY NEAR SIOUX CITY, IOWA

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- A. This Tariff applies in the portion of the Sioux City, Iowa exchange located in the State of South Dakota.
- B. The Exchange and Network Services Tariff for the State of Iowa is hereby made a part of this Tariff and applies to this service except as otherwise provided herein.
- C. A Late Payment Charge applies as specified in 2.3.2.B.
- D. The rates listed below entitle the customer to service without other charge within the Sioux City, Iowa exchange. The Sioux City exchange includes, in addition to North Sioux City, South Dakota and vicinity, the territory in Iowa comprising Sioux City, Iowa and vicinity. Extended Area Service is provided to the Merrill and Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, and the South Sioux City and Dakota City, Nebraska exchanges.
- E. Monthly Rates

	MONTHLY RATE	USAGE ALLOWANCE
• Business		
- One-Party Flat	\$30.15	N/A
- Measured Service	24.00	-
- Usage charge, per minute - \$0.03		
- Public Carrier Access	24.00	N/A
• Residence		
- One-Party Flat	12.05	N/A
- Basic (Measured)	7.50	-
- Budget Pac (Measured)	9.25	3 hours
- Value Pac (Measured)	11.40	6 hours
- Usage Charge, per minute - \$0.02		

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5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

5.2.1 MEASURED SERVICE

A. Budget Pac (Residence Only) (Cont'd)

3. Rates and Charges

- a. The maximum one-party Budget Pac monthly billing or fixed monthly rates and usage charges for sent paid local calls originating on the Budget Pac line will not exceed 150 percent of the current one-party residence flat rate charges. Sent paid local calls include Dial Station-to-Station, Operator Station-to-Station and Person-to-Person calls.
- b. The following rates and charges are applicable to individual line Budget Pac Service.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE
(1) Rate Groups A, C, E, G and I			
• Each line	R1M	\$25.00	\$10.45
(2) Rate Groups B and D[1]			(C)
• Each line			
- BRA	R1M	25.00	8.00
- OBRA	R1M	25.00	11.00

- c. The basic monthly rates for Budget Pac include usage allowances as follows:

	USAGE ALLOWANCE
• Each line	\$2.50

- (1) The method of applying the usage allowance will be as shown following:
 - The usage allowance is applied only toward sent paid usage charges accumulated above.
 - No credit is given for any unused allowance during a billing month, nor is any unused allowance accumulated and/or carried forward over billing months.

[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

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5.2.1 MEASURED SERVICE

A.3. (Cont'd)

1. Rates Applicable on Certain Holidays

On Christmas Day, New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day and Labor Day, the holiday rate applicable is the Evening rate unless a lower rate would normally apply.

m. Local Discount Time Periods

	MON	TUES	WEDS	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
9:00 AM to 9:00 PM	Day Rate Period Full Rate						
9:00 PM to 9:00 AM	Evening, Night and Weekend Rate Period 50% Discount						

- Discounts apply to initial minute and additional minutes.
- Discounts do not apply to operator service charges.

B. Hourly Usage Package Service (Residence Only)

1. Description

Hourly Usage Package Service is local exchange service for which rates are based upon exchange access and usage.

2. Terms and Conditions

- Hourly Usage Package Service is available to residence customers in exchanges where central office facilities are available. (T)
- In an exchange where Hourly Usage Package Service is offered, multiparty service will no longer be offered, except where limited by outside plant facilities. Those customers who currently subscribe to multiparty service will be allowed to retain such service at their present location.

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5.2.1 MEASURED SERVICE

B.2. (Cont'd)

- c. The following services are not offered the option of subscribing to Hourly Usage Package Service:
- Multiparty Service
 - Business Service

3. Rates and Charges

- a. The following rates and charges are applicable to individual line Hourly Usage Package Service.

(1) Rate Groups A, C, E, G and I

PACKAGE	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE
• 3 Hour Package	RWV,AWV	\$25.00	\$10.45
• 6 Hour Package	RWG,AWJ	25.00	12.55
• 9 Hour Package	RWH,AWQ	25.00	14.65

(2) Rate Groups B and D[1]

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• 3 Hour Package			
- BRA	RWV,AWV	25.00	8.00
- OBRA	RWV,AWV	25.00	11.00
• 6 Hour Package			
- BRA	RWG,AWJ	25.00	10.10
- OBRA	RWG,AWJ	25.00	13.10
• 9 Hour Package			
- BRA	RWH,AWQ	25.00	12.20
- OBRA	RWH,AWQ	25.00	15.20

- b. The Hourly Usage Package Service additional usage charge is for each sent paid local calling minute exceeding the package rate. The timing of local messages is as specified for Budget Pac Service.

	USAGE CHARGE
• Additional usage charge, per minute	\$0.02

[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

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5.2.1 MEASURED SERVICE

C. Value Pac (Business Only) (Cont'd)

3. Rates and Charges

- a. The following rates and charges are applicable to individual line Value Pac Service.

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE	
(1) Rate Groups A, C, E, G and I				
• Each line	BIM	\$47.00	\$27.75	
(2) Rate Groups B and D[1]				(C)
• Each line				
- BRA	BIM	47.00	25.00	
- OBRA	BIM	47.00	28.00	

- b. The basic monthly rate for Value Pac includes usage allowances as follows:

	USAGE ALLOWANCE
• Each line	\$5.00

The method of applying the usage allowance will be as shown following.

- The usage allowance is applied only toward sent-paid local usage charges as accumulated above.
- No credit is given for any unused allowance during a billing month, nor is any unused allowance accumulated and/or carried forward over billing months.

[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

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5.2.4 FLAT RATE SERVICE

A. Residence Flat Rate Service (Cont'd)

2. Monthly Rates

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP				
	A	C	E	G	I
• One-party line	\$14.45	\$15.15	\$15.95	\$17.15	\$17.65
• Two-party line[1]	13.20	13.75	14.50	15.50	15.95
• Four-party line[1]	-	13.10	13.55	14.45	14.85

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP[2]	
	B	D
• One-party line		
- BRA	\$12.00	\$12.70
- OBRA[3]	15.00	15.70
• Two-party line[1]		
- BRA	10.75	11.30
- OBRA	13.00	13.55
• Four-party line[1]		
- BRA	-	10.65
- OBRA	12.40	12.75

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[1] Service is obsolete. Offering limited to existing installations, subject to continuity of service for the same customer on the same premises.

[2] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

[3] Available only where facilities permit.

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5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

5.2.5 LOCAL SERVICE OPTIONS

F.2. (Cont'd)

- k. The Initial Service Period described in Section 2 does not apply for *STAND-BY* Line Service.
- l. Nonrecurring charges apply to establish *STAND-BY* Line Service. In addition, nonrecurring charges, specified in Section 3 for USOC GCS, apply to change from an individual business line to *STAND-BY* Line Service.

3. Rates and Charges

The following rates and charges are applicable to *STAND-BY* Line Service.

a. Nonrecurring Charges

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE
• <i>STAND-BY</i> Line Service, per line	1TM	\$47.00

b. Monthly Rates

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP				
	A	C	E	G	I
• Per line	\$13.80	\$15.00	\$16.40	\$18.45	\$19.35

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP[1]	
	B	D
• Per line		
- BRA	\$11.80	\$13.00
- OBRA	13.30	14.50

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c. Incoming and Outgoing Usage

	CHARGE
• Per minute of use[2]	\$0.05

[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

[2] Applies to connections of one minute or fraction thereof.

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5.2.4 FLAT RATE SERVICE

B.2. (Cont'd)

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP[1]	
	B	D
• One-party line		
- BRA	\$23.60	\$26.00
- OBRA	26.60	29.00
• Incoming line		
- BRA	21.25	23.40
- OBRA	23.95	26.10
• Two-party line[2]		
- BRA	21.55	23.55
- OBRA	23.80	25.80

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[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

[2] Service is obsolete. Offering limited to existing installations, subject to continuity of service for the same customer on the same premises.

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5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)

5.2.6 LOW-INCOME TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

A. South Dakota Telephone Assistance Plan

1. Description

The Telephone Assistance Plan provide for a credit against the recurring monthly rate for the provision of local residential service for certain low-income customers.

2. Application

- a. The Telephone Assistance Plan credit is only available to customers who are presently participating in the Food Stamp and/or Energy Assistance Program and are 60 years of age or older.
- b. The Company will assure eligibility through verification by the state agency charged with the duty of administering the programs.
- c. The monthly credit will be an amount equal to the Interstate End User Charge. The credit shall apply to the following Local Exchange Service:
 - Residence One-Party Flat Rate Service
 - Residence One-Party Local Measured Service
 - Residence Multiparty Flat Rate Service
 - Hourly Usage Package Service

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5.3 PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE (PBX) TRUNKS

5.3.3 FLAT RATE TRUNKS

A.2. (Cont'd.)

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP [1]	
	B	D
• Two-way trunk, each		
- BRA	\$32.60	\$35.00
- OBRA	35.60	38.00
• Inward trunk, each		
- BRA	30.25	32.40
- OBRA	33.25	35.40
• Inward trunk used with DID Service, each		
- BRA	30.25	32.40
- OBRA	33.25	35.40
• Outward trunk, each		
- BRA	32.60	35.00
- OBRA	35.60	38.00
• Two-way, 4-wire trunk, each	74.00	74.00
• In-only analog DID trunk for DID Call Transfer, each	74.00	74.00

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5.3 PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE (PBX) TRUNKS

5.3.3 FLAT RATE TRUNKS

B.3.e. (Cont'd)

INCOMING AND DID TRUNKS	RATE GROUP E[1]		
	12 TO 35 MONTHS	36 TO 59 MONTHS	60 TO 84 MONTHS
1 - 20 trunks[2]	\$37.65	\$37.65	\$37.65
21 - 50 trunks[2]	36.40	35.65	35.15
51 trunks and over			
1 Qtr mile from CO	34.82	34.45	34.27
2 Qtr miles from CO	35.19	34.76	34.54
3 Qtr miles from CO	35.54	35.05	34.81
4 Qtr miles from CO	35.99	35.43	35.14
5 Qtr miles from CO	36.41	35.77	35.46
6 Qtr miles from CO	36.82	36.12	35.77
7 Qtr miles from CO	37.34	36.55	36.15
8 Qtr miles from CO	37.75	36.89	36.46
9 Qtr miles from CO	38.47	37.49	37.00
10 Qtr miles from CO	40.14	38.88	38.25
11 Qtr miles from CO	40.78	39.41	38.73
12 Qtr miles from CO	43.11	41.36	40.48
13 Qtr miles from CO	44.84	42.80	41.78
14 Qtr miles from CO	45.51	43.36	42.28
15 Qtr miles from CO	46.71	44.36	43.18
16 Qtr miles from CO	49.32	46.53	45.14
17 Qtr miles from CO	50.10	47.19	45.73
18 Qtr miles from CO	50.74	47.72	46.21
19 Qtr miles from CO	51.34	48.21	46.65
20 Qtr miles from CO[3]	54.49	50.84	49.02

- [1] EAS rates apply in addition to the Rate Stabilized Flat PBX Trunk.
- [2] Any additional rate increments are not applicable for distance-sensitive Rate Stabilized flat PBX trunk.
- [3] All Rate Stabilized trunks beyond this increment will be priced on an individual case basis.
- [4] This page cancels Pages 80.1 and 80.2, Release 1.

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5.3 PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE (PBX) TRUNKS (Cont'd)

5.3.6 NETWORK ACCESS REGISTER (NAR)

A. Description

Network Access Registers permit the dialing of exchange and MTS calls to and from a *CENTRON*/Centrex Plus system. The number of simultaneous calls between the exchange or MTS network and a *CENTRON*/Centrex Plus system is limited by the number of NARs to which the customer subscribes. These facilities may be provided as two-way, one-way incoming, one-way outgoing or a combination thereof.

B. Rates and Charges

1. Nonrecurring Charges

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE[1]
• In-only, each	EQB	\$10.00
• Two-way, each	EQA	10.00
• Out-only, each	EQC	10.00
• Out-only Hotel Guest, each	EQD	10.00

2. Monthly Rates

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP				
	A	C	E	G	I
• In-only NAR, each	\$22.75	\$24.90	\$27.40	\$31.15	\$32.80
• Two-way, out-only and out-only Hotel Guest NARs, each	27.10	29.50	32.30	36.45	38.25

	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP[1]	
	B	D
• In-only NAR, each		
- BRA	\$20.90	\$23.05
- OBRA	23.90	26.05
• Two-way, out-only and out-only Hotel Guest NARs, each[2]		
- BRA	25.25	27.65
- OBRA	28.25	30.65

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[1] Applies to establish Network Access Registers.

[2] Includes Touch-Tone rate.

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5.4 PREMIUM EXCHANGE SERVICES

5.4.2 TOUCH-TONE CALLING SERVICE

A. Description

Touch-Tone calling service provides for the origination of calls by means of instruments equipped for tone type address signaling and special office facilities.

Touch-Tone charges specified in C., following, apply only to exchanges in Rate Groups B and D. See 5.1.2 for a list of exchanges by Rate Group. (C)

B. Terms and Conditions

1. Touch-Tone calling is available in those single central office exchanges in which the central office has been equipped for Touch-Tone calling.
2. In those exchanges served by more than one central office located in the same building or in different building, Touch-Tone calling is available only to those customers served by a central office equipped for Touch-Tone calling.

If facilities are available, Touch-Tone calling may be provided those customers served by central offices not equipped for Touch-Tone calling. A change of telephone number is required. Also, additional charges apply if the customer is provided with Touch-Tone calling from a central office other than one which normally serves his location.

3. If available, Touch-Tone calling can be provided with all classes and grades of service. It is not contemplated, however, that Touch-Tone calling would be offered in connection with dial branch exchange and Centrex Systems on which the following types of services are furnished:
 - Dial dictation recording terminals
 - Dial Code Call Systems
 - Foreign Exchange and Foreign Central Office service from central offices not arranged for Touch-Tone calling
 - Dial tie lines connected with dial branch exchange or Centrex Systems not arranged for Touch-Tone calling

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5.5.7 PUBLIC ACCESS LINE SERVICE

D.2. (Cont'd)

b. Rate Groups B and D[2]

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	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE
• Flat			
- Two-way			
- BRA	1KY	\$80.00	\$32.00
- OBRA	1KY	80.00	35.00
- Outgoing only			
- BRA	1GY	80.00	32.00
- OBRA	1GY	80.00	35.00
• Message[1]			
- Two-way			
- BRA	17Q	80.00	20.00
- OBRA	17Q	80.00	23.00
- Outgoing only			
- BRA	16Q	80.00	20.00
- OBRA	16Q	80.00	23.00

[1] Usage charges exceeding \$20.00 per line within a monthly billing period will be discounted 30%.

[2] See rates and charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable touch-tone charges.

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5.5 PUBLIC COMMUNICATION SERVICE - COIN AND COINLESS

5.5.7 PUBLIC ACCESS LINE SERVICE (Cont'd)

D. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

3. Smart Public Access Lines will be provided at the following rates and charges:

a. Rate Groups A, C, E, G and I

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	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE
• Flat			
- Two-way	5FP	\$80.00	\$40.13
- Outgoing only	5FO	80.00	40.13
• Message[1]			
- Two-way, per line	1NH	80.00	26.54
- Outgoing only, per line	14C	80.00	26.54

b. Rate Groups B and D[2]

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• Flat			
- Two-way			
- BRA	5FP	80.00	37.38
- OBRA	5FP	80.00	40.38
- Outgoing only			
- BRA	5FO	80.00	37.38
- OBRA	5FO	80.00	40.38
• Message[1]			
- Two-way			
- BRA	1NH	80.00	23.79
- OBRA	1NH	80.00	26.79
- Outgoing only			
- BRA	14C	80.00	23.79
- OBRA	14C	80.00	26.79

4. Usage Rates

	RATE PER CALL
• Message charge, per message	\$0.06

[1] Usage charges exceeding \$20.00 per line within a monthly billing period will be discounted 30%.

[2] See rates and charges specified in 5.4.2 for applicable touch-tone charges.

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5.5 PUBLIC COMMUNICATION SERVICE - COIN AND COINLESS

5.5.2 SEMIPUBLIC TELEPHONE SERVICE (Cont'd)

C. Rates and Charges

1. Refer to individual exchanges in the Exchange and Network Services Tariff for applicable Rate Groups and exceptions.

USOC	NON- RECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP				
		A	C	E	G	I
1SP,852	\$80.00	\$26.35	\$28.75	\$31.55	\$35.70	\$37.50

	USOC	NON- RECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE PER RATE GROUP [1]	
			B	D
• BRA	1SP,852	\$80.00	\$23.60	\$26.00
• OBRA	1SP,852	80.00	26.60	29.00

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2. Message Charges

- a. The rates for toll messages from a public telephone are the established toll rates specified in 6.2.1.
- b. Applicable Directory Assistance is found in 6.2.4 of the Exchange and Network Services Tariff. Operator Service Charges found in 6.2.1 of this Catalog and 6.2.1 of the Exchange and Network Services Tariff, apply as appropriate.
- c. Local message

	CHARGE
• Each	\$0.25

[1] See Rates and Charges specified in 5.4.2 of the Exchange and Network Services Tariff for applicable Touch-Tone charges.

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6. MESSAGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE

6.3 OPTIONAL SERVICE OFFERINGS

6.3.13 SUNSHINE STATE CALL PLAN

D. Rates and Charges (Cont'd)

2. The exchanges where Call Plan is available are listed in each category. Rate centers within the mileage band to which dial Station-to-Station calling is included are indented under each exchange.

CATEGORY A[1]

MILEAGE BAND	NONRECURRING CHARGE		MONTHLY RATE EACH ADD'L	
	RESIDENCE	BUSINESS	FIRST HOUR	1/4 HOUR
35 Mile	\$5.00	\$14.00	\$5.40	\$1.35

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ARLINGTON	Chester	FLANDREAU	Sinai
Astoria	Clear Lake	Hayti	Toronto
Brandt	COLMAN	Lake Norden	Wentworth
Brookings	Dell Rapids	LAKE PRESTON	White
Bryant-	DESMET	MADISON	Winfred
Willow Lake	Elkton	Nunda	
Castlewood	Estelline	Oldham-Ramona	

ROCKHAM-REDFIELD

Conde	Hitchcock	Orient	Turton
Cresbard	Mellette	Raymond	Wessington
Doland	MILLER	Tulare	Wolsey
Faulkton			

[1] U S WEST exchanges are shown in capital letters.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FILINGS

These are the telecommunications service filings that the Commission has received for the period of:

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DOCKET NUMBER	TITLE/STAFF/SYNOPSIS	DATE FILED	INTERVENTION DEADLINE
REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY			
TC97-076	Application by Journey Telecom International, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/TZ)	06/13/97	07/07/97
TC97-091	Application by Calls for Less, Inc. d/b/a CfL for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/TZ) Applicant seeks authority to originate and terminate "intrastate, intraLATA and interLATA calls of business and residential customers, to operate as a Travel and Debit (Prepaid Calling) Card reseller, and to provide COCOT/COPT service."	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-103	Application by Crystal Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/TZ) Applicant seeks authority to provide local telecommunications services and interexchange telecommunications services. The Applicant will not offer any local telecommunications services within a Rural Telephone Company service area without seeking separate Commission authority.	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-104	Application by Quintelco, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to operate as a telecommunications company within the state of South Dakota. (Staff: TS/TZ) Applicant "intends to subscribe to and resell all forms of inter-exchange and intra-exchange telecommunications services in the state of South Dakota, including local dial tone services, Message Telephone Service, Wide Area Telephone Service, WATS-like services, foreign exchange service, private lines, tie lines, access service, cellular service, local switched service and other services and facilities of communications common carriers and othe entities."	06/19/97	07/07/97
REQUEST FOR ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY STATUS			
TC97-077	Intrastate Telephone Company, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Intrastate Telephone Company is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Bradley (784), Castlewood (793), Clark (532), Florence (758), Hayti (783), Lake Norden (785), Waubay (947), Webster (345), Willow Lake (625) and Bryant (628). Intrastate Telephone Company, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/13/97	07/07/97

TC97-078	Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Goodwin (795), Clear Lake (874), Gary (272), Estelline (873), Brandt (876), Astoria (832), Toronto (794), West Hendricks (479), Eikton (542), White (629), Brookings Rural (693), Sinai (826), Nunda/Rutland (586), Wentworth (483) and Chester (489). Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/13/97	07/07/97
TC97-080	West River Cooperative Telephone Company pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. West River Telephone is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Bison (244), Buffalo (375), Camp Crook (605-797) and (406-972), Meadow (788) and Sorum (866). West River Telephone, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/16/97	07/07/97
TC97-081	Stateline Telecommunications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Stateline is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Newell (456), Nisland (257) and Lemmon (605-374) and (701-376). Stateline, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/16/97	07/07/97
TC97-083	Accent Communications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Accent is the facilities-based exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Bristol (492), Doland (635), Frederick (329), Hecla (994), North Hecla (701-992) and Melette (887). Accent, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-084	James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company is the facilities-based exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Andover (298), Claremont (294), Columbia (396), Conde (382), Ferney (395), Groton (397), Houghton (885) and Turton (897). James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-085	Heartland Communications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Heartland Communications is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Platte/Geddes (337). Heartland Communications, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/17/97	07/07/97

TC97-086	Midstate Telephone Company, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Midstate Telephone Company is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Academy (726), Delmont (779), Ft. Thompson (245), Gann Valley (293), Kimball (778), New Holland (243), Pukwana (894), Stickney (732) and White Lake (249). Midstate Telephone Company, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-087	Baltic Telecom Cooperative pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Baltic Telecom Cooperative is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Baltic (529) and Crooks (543). Baltic Telecom Cooperative, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-088	East Plains Telecom, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. East Plains Telecom, Inc. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Alcester (934), Hudson (984), and East Hudson (712-982). East Plains Telecom, Inc., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-089	Western Telephone Company pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Western Telephone is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Cresbard (324), Faulkton (598) and Orient (392). Western Telephone, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-090	Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Company pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Stockholm is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Stockholm-Strandburg (676), Revillo (623) and South Shore (756). Stockholm, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/17/97	07/07/97
TC97-092	Kennebec Telephone Co. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Kennebec Telephone Co. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Kennebec (869) and Presho (895). Kennebec Telephone Co., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/18/97	07/07/97
TC97-093	Jefferson Telephone Co., Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Jefferson Telephone Co., Inc. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchange: Jefferson (966). Jefferson Telephone Co., Inc., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/18/97	07/07/97

TC97-094	Sully Buttes Telephone Cooperative, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Sully Buttes Telephone is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: West Onida (264), Hitchcock (266), Seneca (436), Tolstoy (442), Onaka (447), Wessington (458), Langford (493), Rosholt (537), Tulare (596), Highmore (852), Harrod (875), Ree Heights (943), Hoven (948), Blunt (962) and East Onida (973). Sully Buttes Telephone, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-095	Venture Communications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Venture Communications is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Onida (258), Bowdle (285), Roscoe (287), Pierpont (325), Britton (448), Britton, ND (701-443), Roslyn (486), Wessington Springs (539), Selby (649), Gettysburg (765) and Lebanon (768). Venture Communications, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-096	SANCOM, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. SANCOM is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Wolsey (883), Parkston (928) and Tripp (935). SANCOM, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-097	Sanborn Telephone Cooperative pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Sanborn Telephone is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Ethan (227), Mt Vernon (236), Letcher (248), Forestburg (495), Artesian (527), Woonsocket (796) and Alpena (849). Sanborn Telephone, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-098	Beresford Municipal Telephone Co. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Beresford Tel is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchange: Beresford (763). Beresford Tel., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-099	Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: North New Effington, ND (701-634), New Effington (637) and Claire City (652). Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Association, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/19/97	07/07/97

TC97-100	RC Communications, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. RC Communications is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: North Veblen, ND (701-634), Wilmot (938), Peever (932), Veblen (738) and Summit (398). RC Communications, to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-101	Splitrock Properties, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Splitrock Properties, Inc. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Howard/Carthage (772) and Oldham/Ramona (482). Splitrock Properties, Inc., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-102	Splitrock Telecom Cooperative, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area. Splitrock Telecom Cooperative, Inc. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges: Brandon (582) and Garretson (605-594) and (507-597). Splitrock Telecom Cooperative, Inc., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/KC)	06/19/97	07/07/97
TC97-105	Tri-County Telecom, Inc. pursuant to 47 U.S.C. 214(e) and 47 CFR 54.201 hereby seeks designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier within the local exchange areas that constitute its service area in South Dakota. Tri-County Telecom, Inc. is the facilities-based local exchange carrier presently providing local exchange telecommunications services in the following exchanges in South Dakota: Clayton (825) and Emery (443). Tri-County Telecom, Inc., to its knowledge, is the only carrier today providing local exchange telecommunications services in the above identified exchange areas. (Staff: HB/CH)	06/19/97	07/07/97
FILING OF TYPE 1 PAGING AGREEMENT			
TC97-079	U S WEST Communications, Inc. filed for approval by the Commission the Type 1 Paging Agreement between KJAM Mobile Paging and U S WEST. "This Agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations without resort to mediation or arbitration and is submitted for approval pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996. KJAM Mobile Paging and U S WEST further request that the Commission approve this Agreement without a hearing and without allowing the intervention of other parties. Because this Agreement was reached through voluntary negotiations, it does not raise issues requiring a hearing and does not concern other parties not a part of the negotiations. Expedient approval would further the public interest."	06/16/97	07/07/97
NONCOMPETITIVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILINGS			
TC97-082	U S WEST Communications filed tariff sheets that remove references to exchanges that have been sold by U S WEST. The sale was effective June 1, 1997. In addition, this filing includes some text changes and clean-up items. U S WEST has requested an effective date of June 1, 1997 for this filing. (Staff: DJ/CH)	06/17/97	NA

FILING OF INFORMATIONAL INTRASTATE PAYPHONE TARIFFS			
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NA	East Plains Telecom, Inc. on June 13, 1997	NA	NA
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Important Notice: The Commission is compiling a list of internet addresses. If you have an internet address please notify the Commission by E-mailing it to Terry Norum at terryn@psc.state.sd.us. Faxing the address to the Commission at 605-773-3809.

**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 REVISIONS TO)	REVISIONS TO TARIFF
ITS EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES)	
TARIFF)	TC97-082

On June 17, 1997, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) regarding revisions to its exchange and network services tariff. The revised tariffs remove references to exchanges that have been sold by U S WEST. The sale was effective June 1, 1997. In addition, this filing includes some text changes and clean up items. U S WEST requested an effective date of June 1, 1997, for this filing.

The following tariff sheets were filed with regard to the Exchange and Network Services Tariff.

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At its duly noticed meeting on July 15, 1997, the Commission considered this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31 and ARSD Article 20:10. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the above revisions to U S WEST's Exchange and Network Services Tariff. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves U S WEST's revisions to its Exchange and Network Services Tariff.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 29th day of July, 1997.

<p align="center">CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By <u><i>Alvin Kelso</i></u></p> <p>Date <u><i>7/30/97</i></u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner