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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

Mr. Harlan Best
Telecommunications Analyst
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capital
Pierre, SD 57501

Dear Mr. Best:

As per your discussion with Mr. Darrell Gornick, of TELEC Consulting Resources, we are filing the Kadoka Telephone Company Access Tariff rates to be effective March 1, 2000. The rates are the average of all cost companies in South Dakota excluding U S WEST. This is the PUC approved process for Kadoka Telephone Company.

This notification is being faxed initially. The originals and ten (10) copies will be forwarded to you by over night mail.

If you have any questions, please contact Darrell Gornick at 605-583-7070.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Morse", is written over the signature line.

Patrick L. Morse
President/General Manager

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KADOKA TELEPHONE COMPANY

INTRASTATE CARRIER ACCESS BILLING TARIFF CHARGES

FOR FEATURE GROUP A ACCESS SERVICES AND FACILITIES

ACCESS ELEMENT	ORIG RATE	TERM RATE	
Local Transport	0.0330	0.0330	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Local Switching	0.0210	0.0210	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Carrier Common Line	0.0364	0.0364	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Cabs Record Provisioning	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Message Recording	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Automatic Number Identification	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Message Processing	ICB		PER MESSAGE
CMDS I	ICB		PER MESSAGE
CMDS II	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Bill Processing	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Bill Inquiry	ICB		PER MESSAGE
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Bill Rendering	ICB		PER BILL

Program Development

Individual Case Basis

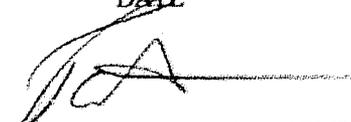
ANY ELEMENT NOT COVERED BY THE ABOVE TARIFF CHARGES WILL BE
HANDLED ON AN INDIVIDUAL CASE BASIS (ICB)

NOTE: FEATURE GROUP A SERVICES, BILLED ACCESS MINUTES, AND
MESSAGES ARE AS DEFINED BY NECA. (EXCEPTION: NON-DISTANCE
SENSITIVE LOCAL TRANSPORT FACILITY)

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INTRASTATE CARRIER ACCESS BILLING TARIFF CHARGES

FOR FEATURE GROUP B ACCESS SERVICES AND FACILITIES

ACCESS ELEMENT	ORIG RATE	TERM RATE	
Local Transport	0.0330	0.0330	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Local Switching	0.0210	0.0210	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Carrier Common Line	0.0364	0.0364	PER ACCESS MINUTE
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Bill Rendering	ICB	PER BILL	

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NOTE: FEATURE GROUP B SERVICES, BILLED ACCESS MINUTES, AND MESSAGES ARE AS DEFINED BY NECA. (EXCEPTION, NON-DISTANCE SENSITIVE LOCAL TRANSPORT FACILITY)

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P O Box 220 Kadoka, SD 57541-0220 ADDRESS

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INTRASTATE CARRIER ACCESS BILLING TARIFF CHARGES

FOR FEATURE GROUP C ACCESS SERVICES AND FACILITIES

ACCESS ELEMENT	ORIG RATE	TERM RATE	
Local Transport	0.0330	0.0330	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Local Switching	0.0210	0.0210	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Carrier Common Line	0.0364	0.0364	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Cabs Record Provisioning	ICB		PER MESSAGE
Message Recording	ICB		PER MESSAGE
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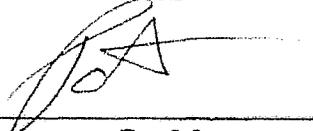
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 * FEATURE GROUP C SERVICES ARE NO LONGER OFFERED *
 * SINCE ALL ORIGINATING TRAFFIC IS NOW EQUAL ACCESS *

NOTE: FEATURE GROUP C SERVICES, BILLED ACCESS MINUTES, AND MESSAGES ARE AS DEFINED BY NECA. (EXCEPTION: NON-DISTANCE SENSITIVE LOCAL TRANSPORT FACILITY)

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KADOKA TELEPHONE COMPANY

INTRASTATE CARRIER ACCESS BILLING TARIFF CHARGES

FOR FEATURE GROUP D ACCESS SERVICES AND FACILITIES

ACCESS ELEMENT	ORIG RATE	TERM RATE	
Local Transport	0.0330	0.0330	PER ACCESS MINUTE
Local Switching	0.0210	0.0210	PER ACCESS MINUTE
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WEEKLY FILINGS

For the Period of January 27, 2000 through February 2, 2000

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Delaine Kolbo within five business days of this filing.
Phone: 605-773-3705 Fax: 605-773-3809

CONSUMER COMPLAINTS

CT00-026 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Timothy William Johnson, Mitchell, South Dakota, against USBI and Preferred Billing Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

On January 24, 2000, the Commission received a complaint from Timothy William Johnson, Mitchell, South Dakota, against Preferred Billing regarding unauthorized switching of services. The complainant alleges that his long distance provider was switched to Preferred Billing without his authorization, and that he has been unable to get his long distance service switched back to his former carrier. The Complainant is asking to have his service switched back to Sprint and to receive a refund of all monies charged over and above Sprint's rates.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Received and Filed: 01/24/00
Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT00-027 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Dale W. Frederick, Watertown, South Dakota, against OLS, Inc. Regarding Switching Telecommunications Services Through Deceptive Tactics.

The complainant alleges that his service was switched to OLS through deceptive tactics. He is seeking remedies to unauthorized switching and unsolicited telemarketing.

Staff Analyst: Leni Healy
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Received: 01/25/00
Date Filed: 01/26/00
Intervention Deadline: NA

CT00-028 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Rhonda Bendel, Watertown, South Dakota, against OLS, Inc. Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

The complainant claims that she was billed by a company which she did not authorize. The complainant requests fines to be imposed and reimbursement of charges.

Staff Analyst: Leni Healy
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Received: 01/25/00
Date Filed: 01/26/00
Intervention Deadline: NA

CT00-029 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by John and Jeanie Endres, Weston, South Dakota, against ILD Teleservices, Inc. Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

On January 26, 2000, the Commission received a complaint regarding unauthorized switching of phone service. Additional information was provided in an amendment to the complaint received January 31, 2000. The complainant alleges their long distance phone service was switched from MCI WorldCom to America's Tele-Networks without their authorization. The complainants are requesting that all America's Tele-Network charges that have appeared on the telephone bills since October 9, 1999, to the present be removed. Those charges amount to \$286.17. "In addition we request that a fine be placed upon America's Tele-Networks for the illegal act of slamming us and causing the problems and expense that we and your commission has to try to straighten out. Only by imposing the maximum fine on these companies is the problem going to be eliminated."

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Camron Hoseck
Date Received: 01/26/00
Date Filed: 01/31/00
Intervention Deadline: NA

CT00-030 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Randy Daughenbaugh, Rapid City, South Dakota, against U S WEST Communications, Inc. Regarding Delayed Installation.

On January 27, 2000, the Commission received a complaint from Randy Daughenbaugh, Rapid City, South Dakota, against U S WEST regarding delayed installation. The complainant alleges that he has been trying for seven months to get service provided to his new residence and that U S WEST has missed several promised installation dates. The complainant is asking for a temporary line to be installed.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Received: 01/27/00
Date Filed: 01/31/00
Intervention Date: NA

CT00-031 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Gustave Orloske, Hill City, South Dakota, against Accutel Communications, Inc. and USBI Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

On February 01, 2000, the Commission received a complaint from Gustave Orloske, Hill City, South Dakota, against Accutel and USBI regarding unauthorized switching of services. The complainant alleges that his long distance provider was switched and he has received unauthorized charges on his phone bill.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Received: 02/01/00
Date Filed: 02/02/00
Intervention Date: N/A

ELECTRIC

EL00-002 In the Matter of the Petition of Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of a Departure from its Fuel Clause Adjustment Tariff.

Otter Tail Power Company petitions the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for permission to depart from the specific wording of Otter Tail's Fuel Adjustment Clause, Rate Schedule M-605, to allow the pass-through of litigation expenses that have resulted in ratepayer savings.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Camron Hoseck
Date Filed : 01/27/00
Intervention Date: 02/18/00

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC00-005 In the Matter of the Filing by Kadoka Telephone Company to Establish Switched Access Rates.

The Public Utilities Commission has received a filing of the Kadoka Telephone Company Access Tariff rates to be effective March 1, 2000. In accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:12, the rates are the average of all cost companies in South Dakota, excluding U S WEST.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Filed: 02/01/00
Intervention Date: 02/18/00

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY KADOKA)
TELEPHONE COMPANY TO ESTABLISH) ORDER APPROVING
SWITCHED ACCESS RATES) SWITCHED ACCESS RATES
TC00-005

On February 1, 2000, Kadoka Telephone Company (Kadoka) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its revised switched access tariff sheets. This filing reflects the switched access rates as determined by dividing the Commission approved revenue requirement by the Commission approved minutes of use for the cost study companies operating in South Dakota, excluding U S WEST Communications, Inc.

On February 3, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of February 18, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. The Commission considered this matter at its February 29, 2000, meeting. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07, 20:10:27:08, 20:10:27:11 and 20:10:27:12. Upon review of Kadoka's filing, the Commission found that the revised switched access rates were fair and reasonable and should be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Kadoka's revised switched access rates are hereby approved and shall become effective March 1, 2000.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 6th day of March, 2000.

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><i>Alaine Kalbo</i></u>
Date: <u>3/8/00</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