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July 25, 2002

Ms. Debra Elofson, Executive Director  
Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Ms. Elofson:

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

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This filing adds USOCs to various existing transport rate elements. These USOCs are being added to bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1.

Qwest is requesting this change to be effective as soon as possible.

We would appreciate acknowledgment of receipt of this filing. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached for your convenience.

Sincerely,

Colleen E. Sevold  
Manager-Regulatory Affairs

Attachment

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: This filing adds USOCs to various existing transport rate elements. These USOCs are being added to bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1. Effective June 15, 2002, the FCC approved several new sections in Qwest's Tariff #1. Among the sections added was Section 16, Switched Access Service – Pricing Flexibility. Interstate customers in certain Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) that were approved for Phase II Pricing Flexibility will order their products from this section. *It is not the intention of this filing to introduce a similar section in the state access tariff.* However, if a transport rate element common to both the interstate and intrastate access tariffs is ordered via Section 16 of FCC #1, the USOC associated with that order will appear on the carrier's bill for both interstate and intrastate access if the percent interstate usage (PIU) is less than 100 (the majority of cases). The intrastate portion of that rate element will continue to be billed at current intrastate rates. It is important that the USOC appearing on the bill in such cases be listed in the intrastate tariff for reference purposes since the USOC currently associated with that element will not be shown on the bill.
  
- 4) Reason for Change: To bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1.
  
- 5) Basis for Rates: This filing has no affect on rates.
  
- 6) Quantification of Customer Impact: This will have no customer impact.
  
- 7) Proposed Effective Date: As soon as possible

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**6.7 RATE REGULATIONS (Cont'd)**

**6.7.14 EQUAL ACCESS AND NETWORK RECONFIGURATION RECOVERY CHARGE**

The Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration Recovery Charge is a charge to recover those costs that the Company incurs solely in connection with implementation of intraLATA equal access. These costs represent network reconfiguration and system and switch upgrades required to provide 1+ intraLATA equal access.

These costs will be recovered over a period not to exceed three (3) years beginning July 22, 1999. The Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration Recovery Charge will be reviewed on an annual basis and will be adjusted as necessary to ensure recovery of these costs.

The Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration Recovery Charge is assessed to the IC based on the total number of intrastate intraLATA originating access minutes of use (MOU) and to the Company based on its total intrastate intraLATA originating MTS MOU. The rates are set forth in 6.8.5, following.

**6.8 RATES AND CHARGES**

**6.8.1 SWITCHED TRANSPORT**

A. Entrance Facility Monthly Rates

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>MONTHLY RATE</b>	
1. Voice Grade, per point of termination	EF2AX,FE4AX	\$ 17.40	(T)
2. DS1, per DS1	EF2BX,FE4BX	150.00	
3. DS3, per DS3	EF2CX,FE4CX	1,282.50	(T)

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B. Direct-Trunked Transport Monthly Rates

MILEAGE BANDS	USOC	MONTHLY RATE		
		FIXED	PER MILE	
1. Voice Grade				
0	1YTXA,1UFX1	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	1YTXB,1UFX2	\$ 14.20	\$ 2.70	
Over 8 to 25	1YTXC,1UFX3	16.60	2.25	
Over 25 to 50	1YTXD,1UFX4	23.60	1.90	
Over 50	1YTXE,1UFX5	40.35	1.55	(T)
2. DS1				
0	1YTXA,1UFX1	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	1YTXB,1UFX2	150.00	11.00	
Over 8 to 25	1YTXC,1UFX3	200.00	15.00	
Over 25 to 50	1YTXD,1UFX4	250.00	17.00	
Over 50	1YTXE,1UFX5	250.00	17.00	(T)
3. DS3				
0	1YTXA,1UFX1	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	1YTXB,1UFX2	590.90	51.26	
Over 8 to 25	1YTXC,1UFX3	593.75	51.15	
Over 25 to 50	1YTXD,1UFX4	598.50	51.11	
Over 50	1YTXE,1UFX5	619.40	57.92	(T)

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**6.8.1 SWITCHED TRANSPORT (Cont'd)**

**D. Nonrecurring Charges**

**1. Entrance Facility Installation**

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>NONRECURRING CHARGE</b>	
a. Voice Grade, per point of termination	EF2AX,FE4AX	\$308.32	(T)
b. DS1, per point of termination	EF2BX,FE4BX	547.14	
c. DS3, per point of termination	EF2CX,FE4CX	485.65	(T)
<b>2. Line or Trunk Installation</b>			
<b>a. Interface Groups 1 and 2</b>			
• First line or trunk	NR61G,FN71G	446.82	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR61K,FN71K	77.40	(T)
<b>b. Interface Group 6</b>			
• First line or trunk	NR61H,FN71H	412.28	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR61L,FN71L	44.88	(T)
<b>c. Interface Group 9</b>			
• First line or trunk	NR61J,FN71J	409.32	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR61M,FN71M	42.46	(T)

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D. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

3. Moves within the Same Serving Wire Center[1]

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
a. Switched Access Service, per line or trunk associated with Interface Groups 1 and 2			
• First line or trunk	NR6SG, FN7SG	\$318.17	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6SK, FN7SK	32.42	(T)
b. Switched Access Service, per line or trunk associated with Interface Group 6			
• First line or trunk	NR6SH, FN7SH	297.41	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6SL, FN7SL	10.43	(T)
c. Switched Access Service, per line or trunk associated with Interface Group 9			
• First line or trunk	NR6SJ, FN7SJ	296.17	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6SM, FN7SM	9.10	(T)

[1] This charge is in addition to the Entrance Facility charge.

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D. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

4. Moves to a Different Serving Wire Center

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>NONRECURRING CHARGE</b>	
a. Switched Access Service, per line or trunk associated with Interface Groups 1 and 2			
• First line or trunk	NR6DG, FN7DG	\$369.87	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6DK, FN7DK	49.14	(T)
b. Switched Access Service per line or trunk associated with Interface Group 6			
• First line or trunk	NR6DH, FN7DH	335.00	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6DL, FN7DL	12.16	(T)
c. Switched Access Service per line or trunk associated with Interface Group 9			
• First line or trunk	NR6DJ, FN7DJ	332.65	(T)
• Each additional line or trunk	NR6DM, FN7DM	9.68	(T)



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D. Nonrecurring Charges (Cont'd)

5. Service Rearrangement

a. SS7 Out of Band Signaling

(1) Service Order Rearrangement Charge

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
• One-way transmission to SS7 FGD two-way	NR6S1, FN7S1	\$ 97.72	(T)
• Two-way transmission to SS7 FGD two-way	NR6S2, FN7S2	97.72	(T)
 (2) SS7 Trunk Rearrangement Charge			
(a) One-way transmission to SS7 FGD two-way			
• Per first trunk in a SS7 trunk group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR61U, FN71U	180.34	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR61V, FN71V	176.44	
- Interface Group 9	NR61W, FN71W	176.44	(T)
• Per each additional trunk in a SS7 trunk group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR61X, FN71X	15.18	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR61Y, FN71Y	11.28	
- Interface Groups 9	NR61Z, FN71Z	11.28	(T)

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D.5.a.(2) (Cont'd)

(b) Two-way transmission to  
SS7 FGD two-way

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
• Per first trunk in a SS7 trunk group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR62U, FN72U	\$152.81	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR62V, FN72V	148.91	
- Interface Group 9	NR62W, FN72W	148.91	(T)
• Per each additional trunk in a SS7 trunk group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR62X, FN72X	12.39	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR62Y, FN72Y	8.50	
- Interface Group 9	NR62Z, FN72Z	8.50	(T)
b. FGB or FGD Tandem to Direct Routed Access			
• Per first trunk in a Direct Routed Trunk Group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR6RF, FN7RF	156.39	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR6RG, FN7RG	144.30	
- Interface Group 9	NR6RH, FN7RH	143.26	(T)
• Per each additional trunk in a Direct Routed Trunk Group			
- Interface Groups 1 and 2	NR6RJ, FN7RJ	27.09	(T)
- Interface Group 6	NR6RK, FN7RK	15.71	
- Interface Group 9	NR6RL, FN7RL	14.86	(T)

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D.5. (Cont'd)

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
c. FGD Service with SS7 out of band signaling to FGD Service with SS7 out of band signaling and Clear Channel Capability			
• Per first trunk			
- Interface Group 6	NR6RT, FN7RT	\$206.14	(T)
- Interface Group 9	NR6RU, FN7RU	204.66	(T)
• Per each additional trunk			
- Interface Group 6	NR6RV, FN7RV	22.44	(T)
- Interface Group 9	NR6RW, FN7RW	21.23	(T)
d. Rollover Charges			
• Rollover of existing Voice Grade Service onto a multiplexed DS1 Service, per service termination			
	NR6RE, FN7RE	174.66	(T)
• Rollover of existing DS1 Service onto a multiplexed DS3 Service, per DS1 Service termination affected			
	NR6R1, FN7R1	275.48	(T)

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E. Optional Features

1. Multiple POTs Tandem Sectorization (MPTS)

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>NONRECURRING CHARGE</b>	
• MPTS ASR (without associated trunk activity), per ASR	NR6TA, FN7TA	\$ 46.32	(T)
• MPTS Establishment (without associated trunk activity)			
- Per FGC sector	NR6TF, FN7TF	307.37	(T)
- Per FGD sector	NR6TB, FN7TB	179.59	(T)
• MPTS Establishment (with associated trunk activity)			
- Per FGC sector	NR6TG, FN7TG	307.37	(T)
- Per FGD sector	NR6TC, FN7TC	179.59	(T)
• MPTS Rearrangement (without associated trunk activity)			
- Per FGC sector	NR6TH, FN7TH	44.93	(T)
- Per FGD sector	NR6TD, FN7TD	30.96	(T)
• MPTS Rearrangement (with associated trunk activity)			
- Per FGC sector	NR6TJ, FN7TJ	44.93	(T)
- Per FGD sector	NR6TE, FN7TE	30.96	(T)

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E. Optional Features (Cont'd)

	<b>FID</b>		
2. Customer specification of the receive transmission level at the first point of switching within a range acceptable to the Company, per Line or Trunk[1]	TLV		
3. Customer specification of Local Transport Termination four-wire termination in lieu of two-wire termination, per Line or Trunk[2]	NC S+T+		
	<b>USOC</b>	<b>MONTHLY RATE</b>	
4. Self Healing Alternate Route Protection (SHARP)			
a. Monthly Charges			
• Per DS1 SHARP Facility	SHYGX,FHYGX	\$ 56.23	(T)
• Per DS3 SHARP Facility	SHYHX,FHYHX	280.26	(T)

[1] Available with Interface Groups 2, 6 and 9. The range of transmission levels which may be specified is described in Technical Reference GR-334-CORE.

[2] Available with FGB.

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E.4. (Cont'd)

b. Installation Charge

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	
• Per trunk associated with Interface Group 6 DS1 SHARP facility			
- First trunk	NR61A, FN71A	\$491.05	(T)
- Each additional	NR61B, FN71B	57.25	(T)
• Per trunk associated with Interface Group 9 DS3 SHARP facility			
- First trunk	NR61C, FN71C	491.05	(T)
- Each additional	NR61D, FN71D	53.45	(T)

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE
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5. Multiplexing[1]

• Entrance Facility, per arrangement			
- DS1 to Voice Grade	MKW1X, FM61X	\$133.66	\$300.00 (T)
- DS3 to DS1	MKW3X, FM63X	316.34	357.20 (T)
• DTT Facility, per arrangement			
- DS1 to Voice Grade	M6W1X, FM6YX	133.66	300.00 (T)
- DS3 to DS1	M6W3X, FM6ZX	316.34	357.20 (T)

[1] Nonrecurring charges apply when the MUX is not installed at the same time as an Entrance Facility or a DTT facility.

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**20. COMMON CHANNEL SIGNALING NETWORK (CCSN)**

**20.8 RATES AND CHARGES**

A. Common Channel Signaling Access Capability

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>NONRECURRING CHARGE</b>	<b>MONTHLY RATE</b>	
1. Entrance Facility				
• Per DS1	EFY1X,FE4EX	\$684.00	\$187.39	(T)
• Per DS3[1]	EFY3X,FE4FX	-	821.29	(T)

2. Direct Link Transport

	<b>USOC</b>	<b>MONTHLY RATE</b>		
		<b>FIXED</b>	<b>PER MILE</b>	
a. DS0 Facility				
0	CCA2A,FFA21	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	CCA2B,FFA22	\$ 60.11	\$ 0.13	
Over 8 to 25	CCA2C,FFA23	59.98	0.22	
Over 25 to 50	CCA2D,FFA24	61.08	0.26	
Over 50	CCA2E,FFA25	64.87	0.37	(T)
b. DS1 Facility				
0	CCA1A,FFA26	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	CCA1B,FFA27	59.29	3.36	
Over 8 to 25	CCA1C,FFA28	67.63	4.94	
Over 25 to 50	CCA1D,FFA29	93.10	7.46	
Over 50	CCA1E,FFA30	167.82	10.62	(T)
c. DS3 Facility[1]				
0	CCA3A,FFA31	-	-	(T)
Over 0 to 8	CCA3B,FFA32	495.22	73.64	
Over 8 to 25	CCA3C,FFA33	495.13	50.43	
Over 25 to 50	CCA3D,FFA34	477.76	73.42	
Over 50	CCA3E,FFA35	441.28	85.36	(T)

[1] For Shared Use only as set forth in 2.7, preceding.

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**20. COMMON CHANNEL SIGNALING NETWORK (CCSN)**

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A. Common Channel Signaling Access Capability (Cont'd)

3. CCS Link

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE	MONTHLY RATE	
• First CCS Link	NRBS1,NRME6	\$567.00	-	(T)
• Each additional	NRBSA,NRME7	180.00	-	(T)
4. STP PORT, per port	PT8SX	-	\$425.00	
5. Multiplexing				
• DS1 to Voice	QMVXX,FMCA X	-	587.65	(T)
• DS3 to DS1[1]	QM3XX,FMC3X	-	587.65	(T)

**RATE PER  
QUERY**

B. LIDB

- Per LIDB Access Query \$0.000484
- Per LIDB Validation Query 0.032000

	USOC	NONRECURRING CHARGE
• LIDB Originating Point Code, per OPC	NRBLB	\$165.00

[1] For Shared Use only as set forth in 2.7, preceding.



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

**ELECTRIC**

**EL02-014 In the Matter of the Filing by Otter Tail Power Company for Approval of a Contract with Deviations with the City of Bushnell.**

Otter Tail Power Company has filed for approval a Municipal Contract with the City of Bushnell and a Summary List of Contracts with Deviations. The Municipal Contract for the City of Bushnell was updated because the old Contract will expire on October 1, 2002. The new Contract does not include any new rates that would be considered a deviation.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris  
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Date Filed: 07/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

**NATURAL GAS**

**NG02-004 In the Matter of the Filing by NorthWestern Energy for Approval of a Contract with Deviations with South Dakota State University.**

Application by NorthWestern Energy, formerly NorthWestern Public Service, for approval of a contract with deviations to serve the central heating plant of South Dakota State University (SDSU). The application states the contract is necessary in order to avoid bypass of NorthWestern Energy by SDSU constructing its own pipeline. The contract would offer transportation service and result in retention of revenues for NorthWestern Energy at a reduced amount.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson  
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer  
Date Filed: 07/29/02  
Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**TC02-096 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Agreement for Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services and Resale of Telecommunications Services between Qwest Corporation and Centel Communications, Inc.**

On July 25, 2002, the Commission received for approval a filing of an Agreement for Terms and Conditions for Interconnection, Unbundled Network Elements, Ancillary Services, and

Resale of Telecommunications Services Provided by Qwest Corporation to Centel Communications, Inc. (Centel). According to the parties, the Agreement is a negotiated agreement and is made in order to set forth the terms, conditions, and prices under which Qwest will provide services for resale to Centel for the provision of local exchange services. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than August 14, 2002. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Rolayne Ailts Wiest

Date Docketed: 07/25/02

Initial Comments Due: 08/14/02

**TC02-097 In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff.**

On July 29, 2002, Qwest Corporation filed revised Access Service Tariff pages to remove the Equal Access and Network Reconfiguration Recovery Charge. Qwest Corporation ceased collection of these revenues effective July 23, 2002.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best

Date Docketed: 7/29/02

Intervention Deadline: N/A

**TC02-098 In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation for Approval of Revisions to its Access Services Tariff.**

On July 29, 2002, Qwest filed a revision to its Access Services Tariff. The purpose of the filing is to add USOCs to various existing transport rate elements. The USOCs are being added to bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer

Date Docketed: 07/29/02

Intervention Deadline: 08/16/02

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY QWEST ) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF  
CORPORATION FOR APPROVAL OF ) REVISIONS  
REVISIONS TO ITS ACCESS SERVICES )  
TARIFF ) TC02-098**

On July 29, 2002, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Qwest Corporation (Qwest) for approval of revisions to its Access Services Tariff. The revisions add USOCs to various existing transport rate elements. These USOCs are being added to bring USOCs in the state access tariff in alignment with those in the FCC Tariff #1.

On August 1, 2002, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of August 16, 2002, to interested individuals and entities. No parties sought intervention.

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

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At its regularly scheduled meeting of August 15, 2002, the Commission considered this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the above revisions to the Access Services Tariff. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the above referenced revisions to the Access Services Tariff, effective as of the date of this order.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2002.

**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: Tina Douger

Date: 8-30-02

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson  
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by John Smith