

Telecommunications Orders - Issued 1997

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY U S WEST) ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR REVISIONS TO) AND DIRECTING EXECUTIVE
ITS EXCHANGE AND NETWORK SERVICES) DIRECTOR TO SET PROCEDURAL
CATALOG) SCHEDULE
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TC96-206**

On December 23, 1996, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) for approval to introduce a new optional dialing capability for the completion of calls. Under the proposal, customers will be able to call a special 1-800 number to reach an interactive voice response platform. After reaching the platform, customers will be given the following options to bill their call: 1-800 U S WEST Calling Card, Third Number, or Collect. An effective date of January 15, 1997, has been requested by U S WEST.

On December 26, 1996, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 10, 1997, to interested individuals and entities.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31.

Petitions to Intervene were filed by TCIC Communications, Inc. (TCIC), on January 10, 1997, and a late filed petition by MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI), on January 13, 1997.

At a regularly scheduled meeting of January 14, 1997, the Commission found that the Petition of TCIC to intervene was timely filed and demonstrated good cause to grant intervention, and that the Petition of MCI, although not timely filed due to inclement weather, shall be granted as in the public interest. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petitions to Intervene of TCIC and MCI are hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the Executive Director shall set a procedural schedule in this matter.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 23rd day of January, 1997.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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.

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

By: _____

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Date: _____

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER,
Commissioner

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