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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT  
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**PU-2630-03-349**  
**U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation**  
**Interconnection Agreement Amendment**  
**Application** **03**  
**Filed 6/16/2003** **Closed 8/18/2003**



Public Service Commission  
Receipt of Payment

Receipt# 5908

Received: 7/8/2004 Check# 1500046187 for \$24.86  
Subject: Utility Valuation

**Docket # PU-2630-03-349**

U.S. Link, Inc.  
102 Main Street  
Pequot Lakes MN 56472

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Receipt# 5,908 \$24.86

by U.S. Link, Inc.

07/08/2004



Public Service Commission  
Receipt of Payment

Receipt# 5616

Received: 11/6/2003 Check# 2312249 for \$24.86  
Subject: Utility Valuation

**Docket # PU-2630-03-349**

Qwest  
5325 Zuni St Room 728  
Denver CO 80221

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Receipt# 5,616 \$24.86

by Qwest

11/06/2003

**APPROVED**

DATE: 10-22-03  
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MOTION

October 22, 2003

U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation  
Interconnection Agreement Amendment  
Application

Case No. PU-2630-03-349

I move the Commission bill U.S. Link, Inc. and Qwest Corporation for costs incurred to date in Case No. PU-2630-03-349, U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation, Interconnection Agreement Amendment, Application.



# Public Service Commission

State of North Dakota

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October 22, 2003

Jen Arnold  
U S Link Inc  
30925 3<sup>rd</sup> St  
Pequot Lakes MN 56472

Scott Macintosh  
Qwest Corporation  
PO Box 5508  
Bismarck ND 58502-5508


RE: Case No. PU-2630-03-349  
U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation  
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Enclosed is a copy of the statement approved at the October 22, 2003 Public Service Commission meeting for the expenses incurred to date in Case No. PU-2630-03-349.

Under N.D.C.C. 49-21-01.7, these expenses are billed through the Valuation Fund and must be paid for by the telecommunications company involved.

Please make your check payable to the *Public Service Commission*.

Sincerely,

  
Gloria Geiger  
Admin Staff Officer  
701-328-2401

Enc.

c: Director - Interconnection Compliance  
Qwest Corporation  
1801 California St Rm 2410  
Denver CO 80202

# Billing Statement

October 22, 2003

U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation  
Interconnection Agreement Amendment  
Application

Case No. PU-2630-03-349

## Bill To:

U.S. Link, Inc.....	\$24.86
Qwest Corporation .....	\$24.86

## Expenses Incurred to Date:

Advertising Costs	\$49.72
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## Send Payment and a Copy of this Statement To:

Public Service Commission  
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408  
Bismarck ND 58505-0480

**Federal Tax ID 45-0309764**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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WWC Holding Co., Inc./Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative	Case No. PU-2555-03-323
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WWC Holding Co., Inc./Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative	Case No. PU-2542-03-329
WWC Holding Co., Inc./United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation	Case No. PU-2538-03-330
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WWC Holding Co., Inc./Red River Telecom, Inc.	Case No. PU-2548-03-332
WWC Holding Co., Inc./Red River Rural Telephone Association	Case No. PU-2549-03-333
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc./Qwest Corporation	Case No. PU-2799-03-334
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U.S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation	Case No. PU-2630-03-349
Nextel West Corp./Qwest Corporation	Case No. PU-2888-03-360

**AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL AND ORDINARY MAIL**

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

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Affidavit of Service

by Public Service Commission

08/15/2003

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

**Sharon Helbling** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **15th day of August, 2003**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota **eight** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

**Order**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Dan Kuntz  
P O Box 1695  
Bismarck ND 58502-1695

**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3556**

Lauraine Harding  
McLeodUSA  
6400 C St SW  
Cedar Rapids IA 52406  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3570**

Gene DeJordy  
WWC Holding Co Inc  
3650 131<sup>st</sup> Ave SE  
Bellevue WA 98006  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 003 4912 3594**

Jen Arnold  
U S Link Inc  
30925 3rd St  
Pequot Lakes MN 56472  
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Don Negaard  
Pringle & Herigstad  
P O Box 1000  
Minot ND 58702-1000  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3563**

Dan Willis  
TW Wireless LLC  
1860 Lincoln St 15th Fl  
Denver CO 80295  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3587**

Bob Edgerly  
Nextel Communications Inc  
2001 Edmund Halley Dr  
Reston VA 20191  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3600**

David L Dunning  
Polar Telcom  
110 4<sup>th</sup> St E  
Park River ND 58270  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3723**

**Sharon Helbling** further deposes and says that on the **15th day of August, 2003**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **10** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

Scott Macintosh  
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Bismarck ND 58502-5508

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Denver CO 80202

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Dickey Rural Communications Inc  
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative  
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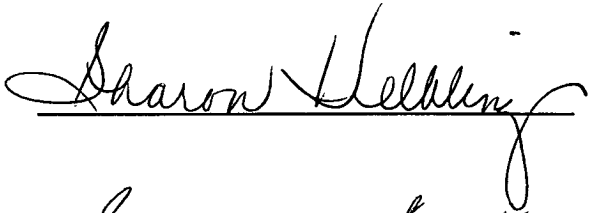
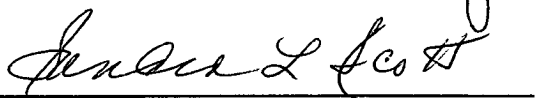
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Midstate Communications Inc  
Midstate Telephone Company  
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Stanley ND 58784-0400

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P O Box 299  
Carrington ND 58421

Ken Carlson  
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp  
Turtle Mountain Communications  
411 7<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Langdon ND 58249

Jeffrey Olson  
Red River Telecom Inc  
Red River Rural Telephone Assoc  
P O Box 136  
Abercrombie ND 58001

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

  
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Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **15th day of August, 2003.**

Notary Public

SEAL

**SANDRA L. SCOTT**  
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
My Commission Expires JUNE 11, 2004

MOTION

August 13, 2003

**APPROVED**

DATE: 8-13-03  
KMF

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I move the Commission adopt the Order approving the captioned interconnection agreements.

JRL/sdh

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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**ORDER**

**August 13, 2003**

On May 20, 2003, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed an application for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with U.S. Link, Inc. of Pequot Lakes MN, Case No. PU-2630-03-275. This amendment adds rates, terms and conditions for Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport.

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Order approving interconnection  
agreements  
by Public Service Commission

08/13/2003

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

On May 21, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with Midcontinent Communications of Sioux Falls SD, Case No. PU-2745-03-278. This amendment adds terms regarding End Office with Local Tandem Functionality.

On June 11, 2003, applications were filed for approval of interconnection agreements negotiated between WWC Holding Co. of Bellevue WA and each of the fourteen captioned North Dakota telephone service providers. These agreements set forth rates, terms and conditions for the mutual exchange and reciprocal compensation of traffic between the parties.

On June 12, 2003 Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. of Cedar Rapids IA, Case No. PU-2799-03-334. This amendment extends effectiveness of previously approved compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

Also on June 12, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with TW Wireless LLC, Case No. PU-2522-03-335. This amendment establishes compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

Also on June 12, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with Polar Telecom Communications, Inc. of Park River ND, Case No. PU-2500-03-339. This amendment adds rates, terms and conditions for Directory Assistance and Operator Services.

On June 16, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with U.S. Link, Inc., Case No. PU-2630-03-349. This amendment adds rates terms and conditions for Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options.

On June 24, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an interconnection agreement and separate amendment negotiated with Nextel West Corporation of Reston VA, Case No. PU-2888-03-360. This agreement adopts a previously approved agreement and any applicable amendments between Qwest f/k/a US WEST and Sprint Spectrum L.P. The separate amendment establishes compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

These agreements were filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under section 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement (or portion thereof) adopted by negotiation if it finds that:

1. the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement;
2. the implementation of the agreement (or portion thereof) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In addition, the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry under section 253.

On July 2, 2003, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments, which provided that the Commission would receive comments on the agreements until August 5, 2003. No comments have been received.

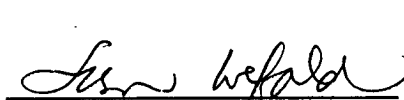


The Commission has reviewed the agreements and does not find them discriminatory against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreements. The Commission finds that implementation of the agreements is not inconsistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

### Order

The Commission orders:

1. The captioned interconnection agreements are APPROVED.
2. The Commission retains continuing jurisdiction over the agreements at all times.
3. Notice of any changes to the agreements must be filed promptly with the Commission.
4. The agreements must not be assigned, assumed or otherwise transferred without the approval of the Commission.

### PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

		
Susan E. Wefald Commissioner	Tony Clark President	Kevin Cramer Commissioner

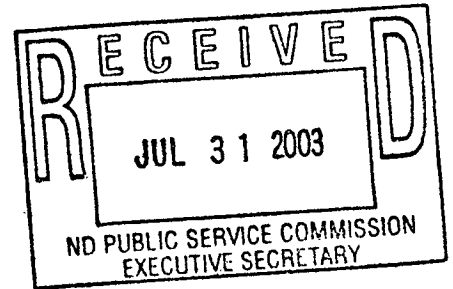
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July 31, 2003

Mr. Jon Mielke  
Executive Secretary  
ND Public Service Commission  
600 East Boulevard Avenue -- 12<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

**Re: Replacement Exhibit to Amendment to Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and U.S. Link, Inc.**

Dear Mr. Mielke:

On June 16, 2003 we filed an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between U.S. Link, Inc. and Qwest Corporation that was approved by the Commission on January 14, 1998 in Case No. PU-1755-00-580. The Amendment added terms and conditions for Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options. The Amendment was docketed as Case No. PU-2630-03-349. The Amendment filed with the Commission inadvertently included an incomplete Exhibit A setting forth the charges applicable to the Amendment. Enclosed are eight copies of the complete exhibit as well as a concurrence letter signed by Qwest and U.S. Link acknowledging that the enclosed exhibit was intended to be Exhibit A to the Amendment. The parties request that the enclosed Exhibit A be substituted for the Exhibit A that was incorrectly included with the Amendment filed June 16, 2003.

Also enclosed is an extra copy of this letter. Please date stamp the extra copy and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

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Letter re Replacement Exhibit

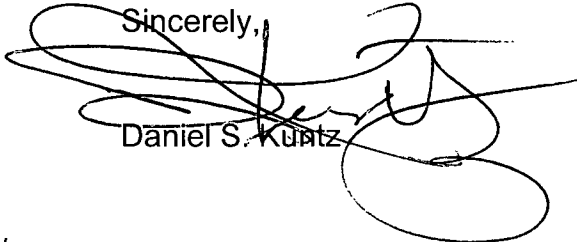
by U S. Link, Inc./Qwest Corporation

07/31/2003

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry .

Mr. Jon Mielke  
July 31, 2003  
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Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,  
  
Daniel S. Kuntz

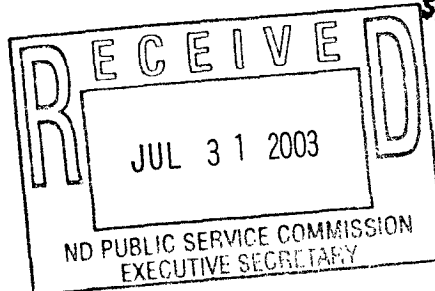
Enclosures

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Luba Hromyk wo/enc.  
Jen Arnold wo/enc.

**Qwest**  
Spirit of Service

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Luba Hromyk  
Contract Specialist  
Contract Development & Services



July 29, 2003

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Fax No. 218-568-7995

Re: **Unbundled Loop Elements - Provisioning Options Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between U.S. Link and Qwest for the State of North Dakota**

Dear Ms. Arnold,

Per our telephone conversation this morning, attached are the "replacement pages" for Exhibit A to the above referenced Amendment.

It is my understanding that the parties intended to include all of Sections 9.2.4 and 9.2.7 of Exhibit A and should be a part of the above referenced Amendment.

If you concur to the addition of Sections 9.2.4 and 9.2.7 and if the attached replacement pages for Exhibit A to the above referenced Amendment meets with your approval, please sign below and fax this letter back to me at 303-672-2755.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 303-672-2803.

Sincerely,

*Luba Hromyk*  
Luba Hromyk

Concurred by:

Signature

Printed Name

*John P. Sauer*  
John P. Sauer

Exhibit A  
North Dakota\*

Amendment				
9.2.4	Loop Installation Charges for 2 & 4 wire Analog / Non - Loaded, ISDN BRI Capable, xDSL - I Capable, and ADSL Compatible Loop where conditioning is not required.		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.4.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$59.27	#
	Each Additional		\$48.77	#
9.2.4.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$142.10	#
	Each Additional		\$86.24	
9.2.4.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation (25 or more DS0 Unbundled Loops)			
	First Loop		\$171.87	#
	Each Additional		\$94.09	#
9.2.4.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation (25 or more DS0 Unbundled Loops)			
	First Loop		\$59.81	#
	Each Additional		\$53.32	#
9.2.4.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$142.10	#
	Each Additional		\$94.09	#
9.2.5	DS1 Loop Installation Charges		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.5.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$184.32	1
	Each Additional		\$125.93	1
9.2.5.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.5.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$365.51	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.5.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$193.81	1
	Each Additional		\$135.39	1
9.2.5.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.6	DS3 Loop Installation Charges		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.6.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$184.32	1
	Each Additional		\$125.93	1
9.2.6.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.6.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$365.51	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1

**Exhibit A  
North Dakota\***

9.2.6.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$193.81	1
	Each Additional		\$135.39	1
9.2.6.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.7	OC - 3, 12, & 48 Loop Installation Charges	#NAME?		
9.2.7.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$184.32	1
	Each Additional		\$125.93	1
9.2.7.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.7.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$365.51	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.7.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$193.81	1
	Each Additional		\$135.39	1
9.2.7.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1

**NOTES:**

\* Unless otherwise indicated, all rates are pursuant to the U S WEST and AT&T Interconnection Agreement approved by the North Dakota Public Utilities Commission in Docket Number PU-453-96-497, effective June 23, 1997.

# Denotes voluntary rate reduction.

[1] Rates not addressed in AT&T Arbitration. (TELRIC)

**Exhibit A  
North Dakota\***

Amendment				
9.2.4	Loop installation Charges for 2 & 4 wire Analog / Non - Loaded, ISDN BRI Capable, xDSL - i Capable, and ADSL Compatible Loop where conditioning is not required.		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.4.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$55.27	#
	Each Additional		\$48.77	#
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	First Loop		\$171.87	#
	Each Additional		\$94.09	#
9.2.4.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation (25 or more DS0 Unbundled Loops)			
	First Loop		\$59.81	#
	Each Additional		\$53.32	#
9.2.4.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$142.10	#
	Each Additional		\$94.09	#
9.2.5	DS1 Loop Installation Charges		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.5.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$184.32	1
	Each Additional		\$125.93	1
9.2.5.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.5.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$365.51	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.5.4	Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$193.81	1
	Each Additional		\$135.39	1
9.2.5.5	Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.6	DS3 Loop Installation Charges		See related monthly recurring Loop charges.	
9.2.6.1	Basic Installation			
	First Loop		\$184.32	1
	Each Additional		\$125.93	1
9.2.6.2	Basic Installation with Performance Testing			
	First Loop		\$323.90	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1
9.2.6.3	Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing / Project Coordinated Installation			
	First Loop		\$365.51	1
	Each Additional		\$222.69	1

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	Each Additional		\$135.39	1
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# Denotes voluntary rate reduction.

[1] Rates not addressed in AT&T Arbitration. (TELRIC)

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# Affidavit of Publication

Colleen Park

, being duly sworn, state as follows:

1. I am the designated agent, under the provisions and for the purposes of, Section 31-04-06, NDCC, for the newspapers listed on the attached exhibits.
2. The newspapers listed on the exhibits published the advertisement of:  
PSC; Interconnection Agreement, 1 time(s)  
as required by law or ordinance.
3. All of the listed newspapers are legal newspapers in the State of North Dakota and, under the provisions of Section 46-05-01, NDCC, are qualified to publish any public notice or any matter required by law or ordinance to be printed or published in a newspaper in North Dakota.

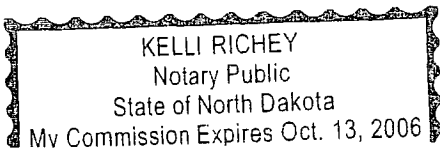
Signed: Colleen Park

State of ND

County of Burleigh

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July 20 03.

Kelli Richey



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**INVOICE**

Order 17847-03073PP1

Invoice # 21131

July 24, 2003

Attn: JONH. MIELKE  
 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
 600 E. BOULEVARD AVE.  
 STATE CAPITOL  
 BISMARCK, ND 58505

Advertiser: Public Service Commission

P.O.#:

Amount Due **\$1,044.26**

Amount Paid

Voice: 701-328-4076

*Please detach and return this portion with your payment*

Public Service Commission Invoice # 17847-03073PP1-21131

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169.00	SPR2	0.64	108.16	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
<b>Devils Lake Daily Journal (Devils Lake ND)</b>							
169.00	SPR2	0.63	106.47	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
<b>Dickinson Press (Dickinson ND)</b>							
181.00	SPR2	0.57	103.17	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
<b>Fargo, The Forum (Fargo ND)</b>							
142.00	SPR2	0.71	100.82	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/21/03
<b>Grand Forks Herald (Grand Forks ND)</b>							
144.00	SPR2	0.69	99.36	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/17/03
<b>Jamestown Sun (Jamestown ND)</b>							
186.00	SPR2	0.54	100.44	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
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213.00	SPR2	0.54	115.02	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
<b>Valley City Times-Record (Valley City ND)</b>							
172.00	SPR2	0.61	104.92	0.00	Interconn: USLink-Next		07/18/03
<b>Wahpeton Daily News (Wahpeton ND)</b>							
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<b>Williston Herald (Williston ND)</b>							
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07/03/2003

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

**Sharon Helbling** deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **3rd day of July, 2003**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota **eight** envelopes with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

**Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments**

The envelopes were addressed as follows:

Dan Kuntz  
P O Box 1695  
Bismarck ND 58502-1695

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Lauraine Harding  
McLeodUSA  
6400 C St SW  
Cedar Rapids IA 52406  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3112**

Gene DeJordy  
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3650 131<sup>st</sup> Ave SE  
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Don Negaard  
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P O Box 1000  
Minot ND 58702-1000  
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Dan Willis  
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1860 Lincoln St 14<sup>th</sup> Fl  
Denver CO 80295  
**Cert. No. 7002 2410 0003 4912 3129**

Bob Edgerly  
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David L Dunning  
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Park River ND 58270  
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**Sharon Helbling** further deposes and says that on the **3rd day of July, 2003**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **10** envelopes by regular mail, with postage fully prepaid, securely sealed, each containing a photocopy of the same.

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Bismarck ND 58502-5508

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Denver CO 80202

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Dickey Rural Communications Inc  
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative  
P O Box 69  
Ellendale ND 58436

Dave Dircks  
North Dakota Telephone Company  
P O Box 180  
Devils Lake ND 58301-0180

Darren Moser  
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Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative  
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Griggs County Telephone Co.  
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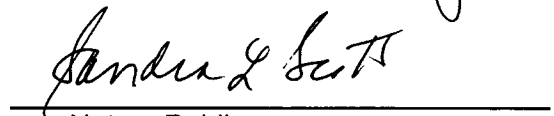
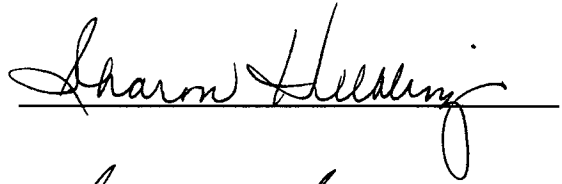
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Carrington ND 58421

Ken Carlson  
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp  
Turtle Mountain Communications  
411 7<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Langdon ND 58249

Jeffrey Olson  
Red River Telecom Inc  
Red River Rural Telephone Assoc  
P O Box 136  
Abercrombie ND 58001

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this **3rd day of July, 2003**.



Notary Public

SEAL

**SANDRA L. SCOTT**  
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
My Commission Expires JUNE 11, 2004

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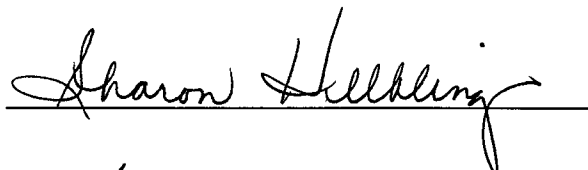
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<b>SANDRA L. SCOTT</b> Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA My Commission Expires JUNE 11, 2004
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**Colleen Park  
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**Colleen:**

**Please have the attached Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments and the attached Notice of Opportunity for Hearing published as legal publications in the next issue of the ten North Dakota daily newspapers, and run them as "News Item Only" articles as well.**

**You can send the bill directly to the Public Service Commission, along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.**

**If you have any questions, please let me know.**

**Thank you and Happy July 4th.**

**Sharon**

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<b>Nextel West Corp./Qwest Corporation</b>	<b>Case No. PU-2888-03-360</b>

I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments in the captioned applications for approval of interconnection agreements.

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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS**

**July 2, 2003**

On May 20, 2003, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed an application for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with U.S. Link, Inc. of Pequot Lakes MN, Case No. PU-2630-03-275. This amendment adds rates, terms and conditions for Unbundled Dedicated Interoffice Transport.

On May 21, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with Midcontinent Communications of Sioux Falls SD, Case No. PU-2745-03-278. This amendment adds terms regarding End Office with Local Tandem Functionality.

On June 11, 2003, applications were filed for approval of interconnection agreements negotiated between WWC Holding Co. of Bellevue WA and each of the fourteen captioned North Dakota telephone service providers. These agreements set forth rates, terms and conditions for the mutual exchange and reciprocal compensation of traffic between the parties.

On June 12, 2003 Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. of Cedar Rapids IA, Case No. PU-2799-03-334. This amendment extends effectiveness of previously approved compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

Also on June 12, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with TW Wireless LLC, Case No. PU-2522-03-335. This amendment establishes compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

Also on June 12, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with Polar Telecom Communications, Inc. of Park River ND, Case No. PU-2500-03-339. This amendment adds rates, terms and conditions for Directory Assistance and Operator Services.

On June 16, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an amendment negotiated to its interconnection agreement with U.S. Link, Inc., Case No. PU-2630-03-349. This amendment adds rates terms and conditions for Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options.

On June 24, 2003, Qwest filed for approval of an interconnection agreement and separate amendment negotiated with Nextel West Corporation of Reston VA, Case No. PU-2888-03-360. This agreement adopts a previously approved agreement and any applicable amendments between Qwest f/k/a US WEST and Sprint Spectrum L.P. The separate amendment establishes compensation arrangements for local and ISP-bound traffic.

These agreements were filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under section 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement (or portion thereof) adopted by negotiation if it finds that:

1. the agreement (or portion thereof) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement;
2. the implementation of the agreement (or portion thereof) is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity

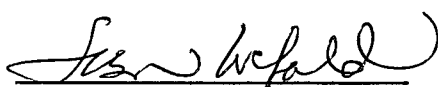
In addition, the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry under section 253. Section 252(e)(4) requires that the

Commission must act to approve or reject an agreement adopted by negotiation within ninety (90) days after submission by the parties.

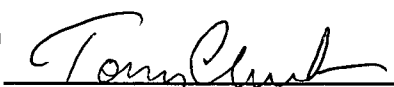
**The Commission will receive written comments on these agreements until August 5, 2003.**

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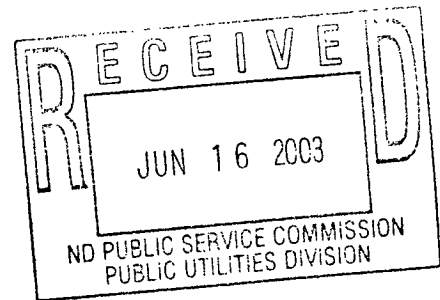
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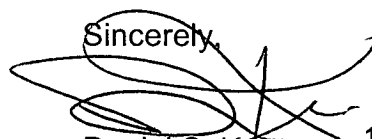
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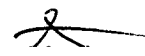
Dear Mr. Mielke:

Enclosed for filing are the original and seven copies of an Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between U.S. Link, Inc. and Qwest Corporation. This document amends an Interconnection Agreement that was approved by the Commission on January 14, 1998 in Case No. PU-1755-00-580. The Amendment adds terms and conditions for Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options. Contact information for U.S. Link should be sent to Jen Arnold, U.S. Link, Inc., 30925 Second Street, Pequot Lakes, MN 56472. The telephone number is 218-568-4000.

Also enclosed is an extra copy of this letter. Please date stamp the extra copy and return it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,  
  
Daniel S. Kuntz 1

  
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**Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options Amendment  
to the Interconnection Agreement between  
Qwest Corporation and  
U. S. Link, Inc.  
for the State of North Dakota**

This Amendment (“Amendment”) is made and entered into by and between Qwest Corporation (“Qwest”), a Colorado corporation, and U. S. Link, Inc. (“CLEC”). CLEC and Qwest shall be known jointly as the “Parties”.

**RECITALS**

WHEREAS, CLEC and Qwest entered into an Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) for service in the state of North Dakota which was approved by the North Dakota Public Service Commission (“Commission”) on January 14, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to amend the Agreement further under the terms and conditions contained herein.

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants and conditions contained in this Amendment and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties agree as follows:

**1. Amendment Terms**

This Amendment is made in order to add the terms, conditions and rates for Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibits A and B attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**2. Effective Date**

This Amendment shall be deemed effective upon approval by the Commission; however, the Parties may agree to implement the provisions of this Amendment upon execution. To accommodate this need, CLEC must generate, if necessary, an updated Customer Questionnaire. In addition to the Questionnaire, all system updates will need to be completed by Qwest. CLEC will be notified when all system changes have been made. Actual order processing may begin once these requirements have been met.

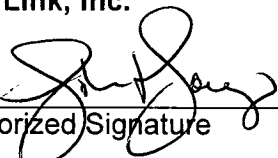
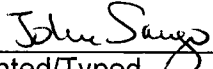
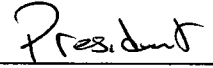
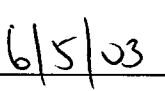
**3. Amendment; Waivers**

The provisions of this Amendment, including the provisions of this sentence, may not be amended, modified or supplemented, and waivers or consents to departures from the provisions of this Amendment may not be given without the written consent thereto by both Parties’ authorized representative. No waiver by any party of any default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder, whether intentional or not, will be deemed to extend to any prior or subsequent default, misrepresentation, or breach of warranty or covenant hereunder or affect in any way any rights arising by virtue of any prior or subsequent such occurrence.

4. **Entire Agreement**

This Amendment (including the documents referred to herein) constitutes the full and entire understanding and agreement between the Parties with regard to the subjects of this Amendment and supersedes any prior understandings, agreements, or representations by or between the Parties, written or oral, to the extent they relate in any way to the subjects of this Amendment.

**U.S. Link, Inc.**

  
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## ATTACHMENT 1

### Unbundled Loop Elements – Provisioning Options

9.2.2.9 Provisioning Options. Six (6) Provisioning options are available for Unbundled Loop elements. Charges for these Provisioning options vary depending on the type of Loop requested. Rates are contained in Exhibit A of this Amendment. Testing parameters are described below and in Qwest Technical Publication 77384.

9.2.2.9.1 Basic Installation. Basic Installation may be ordered for new or existing Unbundled Loops. Upon completion, Qwest will call CLEC to notify CLEC that the Qwest work has been completed.

9.2.2.9.1.1 For an existing end user, the Basic Installation option is a "lift and lay" procedure. The Central Office Technician (COT) "lifts" the Loop from its current termination and "lays" it on a new termination connecting to CLEC. There is no associated circuit testing performed.

9.2.2.9.1.2 For new end user service, the Basic Installation option involves the COT and Field Technician (CST/NT) completing circuit wiring and performing the required performance tests to ensure the new circuit meets the required parameter limits. The test results are NOT provided to CLEC.

9.2.2.9.1.3 For basic installation of existing 2/4 wire analog Loops, Qwest provides a Quick Loop with or without Local Number Portability (LNP) option, that enables CLEC to receive the Quick Loop installation interval as set forth in Exhibit B. Quick Loop installation without LNP includes only a simple lift and lay procedure. Quick Loop with LNP installation provides a lift and lay, and the LNP functions. Quick Loop is not available with cooperative testing, coordinated installation, or when unbundling from an IDLC to a copper alternative.

9.2.2.9.2 Basic Installation with Performance Testing. Basic Installation with Performance Testing may be ordered for new or existing Unbundled Loops.

9.2.2.9.2.1 For an existing end user, Basic Installation with Performance Testing is a "lift and lay" procedure. The Central Office Technician (COT) "lifts" the Loop from its current termination and "lays" it on a new termination connecting CLEC. The COT and Implementor/Tester perform the required performance tests to ensure that the new circuit meets required parameter limits.

9.2.2.9.2.2 The Qwest Implementor/Tester will read the test results to CLEC on close-out and email the performance test results within two (2) business days to a single, designated CLEC office email address.

9.2.2.9.2.3 For new end user service, the Basic Installation with Performance Testing option requires a dispatch to the end user premises. The COT and Field Technician complete circuit wiring and perform the

required performance tests to ensure the new circuit meets the required parameter limits. These test results are read to CLEC by the Qwest Implementor/Tester on close-out. Within two (2) business days, Qwest will email the performance test results to a single, designated CLEC office email address.

9.2.2.9.3 Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing. Coordinated installation with cooperative testing may be ordered for new or existing service. For both new and existing service, CLEC must designate a specific "Appointment Time" when it submits the LSR. On the Due Date (DD), at the CLEC designated "Appointment Time", the Qwest Implementor/Tester contacts CLEC to ensure CLEC is ready for installation. If CLEC is not ready within thirty (30) minutes of the scheduled appointment time, then CLEC must reschedule the installation by submitting a supplemental LSR for a new Due Date and appointment time. If Qwest is not ready within thirty (30) minutes of the scheduled appointment time, Qwest will waive the nonrecurring charge for the installation option, and the Parties will attempt to set a new appointment for the same day. If Qwest fails to perform cooperative testing due to Qwest's fault, Qwest will waive the nonrecurring charge for the installation option. If CLEC still desires cooperative testing, the Parties will attempt to set a new appointment time on the same day and, if unable to do so, Qwest will issue a jeopardy notice and a FOC with a new Due Date.

9.2.2.9.3.1 For an existing end user, Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing is a "lift and lay" procedure with cooperative testing. The COT completes the installation in the Central Office and performs testing that CLEC requests. Upon completion of Qwest performance testing, the Qwest Implementor/Tester will contact CLEC, read the Qwest test results, and begin CLEC cooperative testing. Within two (2) business days, Qwest will email the Qwest test results to a single, designated CLEC office email address. CLEC will be charged for any Provisioning test CLEC requests that is not defined in the Qwest Technical Publication 77384.

9.2.2.9.3.2 For new end user service, Coordinated Installation with Cooperative Testing may require a dispatch of a technician to the end user premises. The COT and Field Technician complete circuit wiring and perform the required performance tests to ensure that the new circuit meets required parameter limits. Upon completion of Qwest performance testing, the Qwest Implementor/Tester will contact CLEC, read the Qwest test results, and begin CLEC cooperative testing. Within two (2) business days, Qwest will email the Qwest test results to a single, designated CLEC office email address. CLEC will be charged for any Provisioning test not defined in the Qwest Technical Publication 77384.

9.2.2.9.4 Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing. Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing may be ordered for new or existing service. For both new and existing service, CLEC must designate a specific "Appointment Time" when it submits the LSR. On the Due Date (DD), at the CLEC designated "Appointment Time", the Qwest Implementor/Tester contacts CLEC to ensure CLEC is ready for installation. If CLEC is not ready within thirty (30) minutes of the scheduled appointment time, then CLEC must reschedule the installation by submitting a supplemental LSR. If Qwest is not

ready within thirty (30) minutes of the scheduled appointment time, Qwest will waive the nonrecurring charge for the installation option and the Parties will attempt to set a new appointment time on the same day and, if unable to do so, Qwest will issue a jeopardy notice and a FOC with a new Due Date.

9.2.2.9.4.1 For an existing Unbundled Loop this Coordinated Installation without Cooperative Testing is a "lift and lay" procedure without a dispatch, that offers CLEC the ability to coordinate the conversion activity. The Qwest Implementor advises CLEC when the "lift and lay" procedure is complete.

9.2.2.9.4.2 For new Unbundled Loops, Qwest may dispatch a technician to terminate the new circuit at the end user premises. The Field Technician will not remain on the premises to perform the coordinated installation once the circuit is in place. The COT completes the installation in the Central Office, and the COT and Implementor/Tester complete the required performance tests to ensure that the new circuit meets required parameter limits. CLEC will not receive test results. When installation is complete, Qwest will notify CLEC.

9.2.2.9.5 Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing. Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing may be ordered for new or existing Unbundled Loops.

9.2.2.9.5.1 For an existing end user, Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing is a "lift and lay" procedure with Cooperative Testing on the Due Date. The COT "lifts" the Loop from its current termination and "lays" it on a new termination connecting to CLEC. Upon completion of Qwest performance testing, the Qwest Implementor/Tester will contact CLEC, read the Qwest test results, and begin CLEC cooperative testing. Within two (2) business days, Qwest will email the Qwest test results to a single, designated CLEC office email address. CLEC and Qwest will perform a Loop back acceptance test, accept the Loop and exchange demarcation information.

9.2.2.9.5.2 For new end user service, Basic Installation with Cooperative Testing may require a dispatch to the end user premises. The COT and Field Technician complete circuit wiring and perform the required performance tests to ensure the new circuit meets the required parameter limits.

9.2.2.9.5.3 If Qwest fails to perform cooperative testing due to Qwest's fault, Qwest will waive the nonrecurring charge for the installation option. If CLEC still desires cooperative testing, the Parties will attempt to set a new appointment time on the same day and, if unable to do so, Qwest will issue a jeopardy notice and a FOC with a new Due Date.

9.2.2.9.6 Performance Testing. Qwest performs the following performance tests for various Loop types:

2-Wire and 4-Wire Analog Loops

No Opens, Grounds, Shorts, or Foreign Volts

Insertion Loss = 0 to -8.5 dB at 1004 Hz

Automatic Number Identification (ANI) when dial-tone is present

2-Wire and 4-Wire Non-Loaded Loops

No Load Coils, Opens, Grounds, Shorts, or Foreign Volts

Insertion Loss = 0 to -8.5 dB at 1004 Hz

Automatic Number Identification (ANI) when dial-tone is present

Basic Rate ISDN and xDSL-I Capable Loops

No Load Coils, Opens, Grounds, Shorts, or Foreign Volts

Insertion Loss =  $\leq$  40 dB at 40 kHz

Automatic Number Identification (ANI) when dial-tone is present

DS-1 Capable Loops

No Load Coils, Opens, Grounds, Shorts, or Foreign Volts

DS-3 Capable Loops

Continuity Testing

ADSL Compatible Loops

No Load Coils, Opens, Grounds, Shorts, or Foreign Volts

Insertion Loss =  $\leq$  41 dB at 196 kHz

Automatic Number Identification (ANI) when dial-tone is present

9.2.2.9.7 Project Coordinated Installation: A Project Coordinated Installation permits CLEC to obtain a coordinated installation for Unbundled Loops with or without LNP, where CLEC orders Unbundled DS1 Capable, Unbundled DS3 Capable or twenty-five (25) or more DS0 Unbundled Loops.

9.2.2.9.7.1 The date and time for the Project Coordinated Installation requires up-front planning and may need to be negotiated between Qwest and CLEC. All requests will be processed on a first come, first served basis and are subject to Qwest's ability to meet a reasonable demand. Considerations such as system down time, Switch upgrades, Switch maintenance, and the possibility of other CLECs requesting the same FDT in the same Switch (Switch contention) must be reviewed. In the event that any of these situations would occur, Qwest will negotiate with CLEC for an agreed upon FDT, prior to issuing the Firm Order Confirmation (FOC). In special cases where CLEC is ordering Unbundled Loop with LNP, the FDT must be agreed upon, the interval to reach agreement will not exceed two (2) days from receipt of an accurate LSR. In addition, standard intervals will apply.

9.2.2.9.7.2 CLEC shall request a Project Coordinated Installation by submitting a Local Service Request (LSR) and designating this order as a Project Coordinated Installation in the remarks section of the LSR form.

9.2.2.9.7.3 CLEC will incur additional charges for the Project Coordinated Installation dependent upon the coordinated time. The rates are based upon whether the request is within Qwest's normal business hours or Out Of Hours. Qwest normal business hours for Unbundled Loops are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The rates for coordinated installations are set forth in Exhibit A.

9.2.2.9.7.4 Qwest will schedule the appropriate number of employees prior to the cut, normally not to exceed four employees, based upon information provided by CLEC. If the Project Coordinated Installation includes LNP, CLEC will also have appropriate personnel scheduled for the negotiated FDT. If CLEC's information is modified during the installation, and, as a result, non-scheduled employees are required, CLEC shall be charged a three (3) hour minimum callout charge per each additional non-scheduled employee. If the installation is either cancelled, or supplemented (supp) to change the Due Date, within twenty-four (24) hours of the negotiated FDT, CLEC will be charged a one person three (3) hour minimum charge. For Project Coordinated Installations with LNP, if the Coordinated Installation is cancelled due to a Qwest error or a new Due Date is requested by Qwest, within twenty-four (24) hours of the negotiated FDT, Qwest may be charged by CLEC one person three (3) hour minimum charge as set forth in Exhibit A.

9.2.2.9.7.5 If CLEC orders Project Coordinated Installation with LNP and in the event the LNP conversion is not successful, CLEC and Qwest agree to isolate and fix the problem in a timeframe acceptable to CLEC or the Customer. If the problem cannot be corrected within an acceptable timeframe to CLEC or the Customer, CLEC may request the restoration of Qwest service for the ported Customer. Such restoration shall begin immediately upon request. If CLEC is in error then a supplemental order shall be provided to Qwest. If Qwest is in error, no supplemental order or additional order will be required of CLEC.

9.2.2.9.7.6 If CLEC orders Project Coordinated Installation with LNP, Qwest shall ensure that any LNP order activity requested in conjunction with a Project Coordinated Installation shall be implemented in a manner that avoids interrupting service to the end user.



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