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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 E Boulevard Avenue – State Capitol  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Attached for filing with the Commission are an original and one copy of the North Dakota Exchange and Network Services Price Schedule No. 1.

This filing increases the basic primary residential access line rate for the 1FR to the price cap of \$18.00 as allowed in NDCC 49-21-01.3. Affected customers were noticed by bill insert in their December bill statements.

We have shown February 9, 2009 as the effective date. We would appreciate acknowledgment of receipt of this filing. An additional copy of this transmittal letter and a self-addressed, stamped envelope, are enclosed. Please date stamp the copy and return it to us.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Dawn Salaver by telephone at (303)383-6563 or by e-mail at Dawn.Salaver@qwest.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kent Blickensderfer".

Kent Blickensderfer  
Director – Public Policy

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Enclosures

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS FILING**

**I. Description of Service Affected:**

Increases the basic primary residential access line rate for the IFR to the price cap of \$18.00 as allowed in NDCC 40-21-01.3. Affected customers were noticed by bill insert in their December bill statements.

**II. Value/Benefit:**

This is the first rate increase to the IFR rates in North Dakota since August 3, 2000.

**III. Proposed Effective Date of Change:**

Qwest proposes to make this change effective February 9, 2009.

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**5.1.1 EXCHANGE RATE GROUPS**

- A. The Basic Local Exchange Rate for primary line residential service is as follows:

| <b>SERVICE</b> | <b>MONTHLY RATE</b> |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 1FR            | \$18.00 (I)         |

Extended Area Service (EAS) increments will apply in addition to the above rate as described in 5.1.2, following.

Basic Local Exchange Rates are Access Line Rates for 1FR.

The precise and official rate shown below is the rate that will be used as the starting point to calculate future changes. The precise and official rate is calculated by taking the previous precise and official rate times the sum of 100% and the percentage price change. The result is rounded to 6 places and truncated to 4 places.

This rate is used in the calculation of the individual exchange rate combined with the appropriate Extended Area Service (EAS) increments to arrive at the total monthly local exchange service rate.

| <b>SERVICE</b> | <b>MONTHLY RATE</b> |
|----------------|---------------------|
| 1FR            | \$18.00 (I)         |

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**B. Basic Local Exchange Rates with EAS Increments**

The monthly rate including the Extended Area Service incremental rate, by exchange, for flat rate Residence 1-party service is as follows. Also listed are the the exchanges for which flat rate calling privileges are included in the quoted flat rate, and the EAS chart coordinates for these additional exchanges within the flat rate calling area. In all cases Basic Local Exchange Rates are Access Line Rates for 1FR.

| EXCHANGE                    | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE | CHART<br>COORDINATES |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Belfield, North Dakota      | \$20.97 (I)     | Dickinson       | H-4                  |
|                             |                 | South Heart     | C-2                  |
| Bismarck, North Dakota[1]   | 18.60           | McKenzie        | B-4                  |
|                             |                 | New Salem       | A-6                  |
|                             |                 | Sterling        | A-5                  |
|                             |                 | Wilton          | A-5                  |
| Casselton, North Dakota[2]  | 21.76           | Buffalo         | C-4                  |
|                             |                 | Fargo-Moorhead  | I-4                  |
|                             |                 | Kindred         | C-4                  |
|                             |                 | Leonard         | C-4                  |
| Dickinson, North Dakota [3] | 19.57 (I)       | Belfield        | C-4                  |
|                             |                 | Killdeer        | B-7                  |
|                             |                 | Manning         | A-5                  |
|                             |                 | New England     | B-5                  |
|                             |                 | Richardton      | C-5                  |
|                             |                 | South Heart     | B-3                  |

[1] This exchange includes, in addition to the City of Bismarck and vicinity, the City of Mandan and vicinity.

[2] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Casselton and vicinity, the City of Amenia and vicinity, the City of Chaffee and vicinity.

[3] This exchange includes in addition to the city of Dickinson and vicinity, the city of Gladstone and vicinity.

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| EXCHANGE                                     | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE    | CHART<br>COORDINATES |
|--|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Emerado, North Dakota[1]                     | \$20.78 (I)     | Bygland, Minnesota | A-5                  |
|  |                 | Grand Forks-       |                      |
|  |                 | East Grand Forks   | H-4                  |
|  |                 | Manvel             | A-3                  |
| Fairview, Montana –<br>Suburban Territory[2] | 18.00           |                    |                      |
| Fargo, North Dakota[3]                       | 18.90 (I)       | Casselton          | A-4                  |
|  |                 | Felton, MN         | A-4                  |
|  |                 | Gardner            | A-5                  |
|  |                 | Glyndon, MN        | A-3                  |
|  |                 | Hawley, MN         | A-5                  |
|  |                 | Kindred            | A-4                  |
|  |                 | Leonard            | A-6                  |
|  |                 | Perley, MN         | A-5                  |
|  |                 | Walcott            | A-4                  |
|  |                 | Wolverton, MN      | A-4                  |

[1] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Emerado and vicinity, the City of Mekinock and vicinity and the Grand Forks Air Force Base.

[2] North Dakota terms, conditions, rates and charges apply.

[3] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Fargo and vicinity, the cities and vicinities of West Fargo, West Fargo Industrial Park, Harwood, Horace, Hickson and Mapleton, certain territory in the State of Minnesota, including the cities and vicinities of Moorhead, Comstock, Dilworth, Sabin, Georgetown, Kragnes, Downer, Baker and Rustad.

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| EXCHANGE                 | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE                             | CHART<br>COORDINATES     |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------|
| Gardner, North Dakota[1] | \$21.36 (I)     | Arthur<br>Fargo- Moorhead<br>Hunter         | C-3<br>K-5<br>C-3        |
| Grafton, North Dakota[2] | 19.57 (I)       | Hoople<br>Minto<br>Park River<br>St. Thomas | C-3<br>C-2<br>C-3<br>C-3 |

[1] This exchange includes in addition to the area comprising the City of Gardner and vicinity, the City of Grandin and vicinity and the City of Argusville and vicinity.

[2] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Grafton and vicinity, the City of Nash and vicinity, the City of Auburn and vicinity, the City of Oakwood and vicinity, the City of Veseleyville and vicinity.

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| EXCHANGE                     | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE | CHART<br>COORDINATES |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Grand Forks, North Dakota[1] | 18.91 (I)       | Bygland, MN     | A-6                  |
|                              |                 | Emerado         | C-4                  |
|                              |                 | Fisher, MN      | A-3                  |
|                              |                 | Manvel          | A-3                  |
|                              |                 | Reynolds        | A-4                  |
|                              |                 | Thompson        | B-3                  |
| Hatton, North Dakota         | \$20.14         | Mayville        | E-3                  |
|                              |                 | Northwood       | E-2                  |
| Hillsboro, North Dakota      | 18.00           |                 |                      |
| Jamestown, North Dakota[2]   | 18.78           | Courtenay       | B-5                  |
|                              |                 | Windsor         | C-4                  |
|                              |                 | Ypsilanti       | B-3                  |
| Kindred, North Dakota[3]     | 21.76           | Casselton       | C-4                  |
|                              |                 | Leonard         | C-3                  |
|                              |                 | Fargo-Moorhead  | J-4                  |
|                              |                 | Walcott         | C-2                  |
| Larimore, North Dakota[4]    | 18.59 (I)       | Inkster         | B-4                  |
|                              |                 | Niagara         | C-3                  |

[1] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Grand Forks and vicinity, certain territory in the State of Minnesota, including the City of East Grand Forks and vicinity.

[2] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Jamestown and vicinity, the City of Buchanan and vicinity, the City of Spiritwood and vicinity, the City of Pingree and vicinity.

[3] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Kindred and vicinity, the City of Davenport and vicinity.

[4] This exchange includes in addition to the City of Larimore and vicinity, the City of Arvilla and vicinity.

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| EXCHANGE                  | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE   | CHART<br>COORDINATES |
|---------------------------|-----------------|---|----------------------|
| Leonard, North Dakota     | \$22.58 (I)     | Casselton<br>Kindred<br>Fargo-Moorhead                            | E-4<br>D-3<br>H-6    |
| Mandan, North Dakota[1]   | 18.33           | New Salem<br>St. Anthony  | A-6<br>B-3           |
| Manvel, North Dakota      | 21.11           | Bygland, Minnesota<br>Grand Forks-<br>East Grand Forks<br>Emerado | A-5<br>K-3<br>C-3    |
| Mayville, North Dakota[2] | 18.39           | Hatton  | C-3                  |
| Minto, North Dakota[3]    | 19.29           | Grafton   | F-2                  |
| Northwood, North Dakota   | 19.17           | Aneta<br>Hatton   | C-4<br>D-2           |
| Reynolds, North Dakota[4] | 20.97 (I)       | Grand Forks -<br>East Grand Forks<br>Thompson                     | H-4<br>C-2           |

[1] This exchange includes, in addition to the City of Mandan and vicinity, the City of Bismarck and vicinity.

[2] This exchange includes in addition to the area comprising the City of Mayville and vicinity, the City of Portland and vicinity.

[3] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Minto and vicinity, the City of Ardoch and vicinity, the City of Forest River and vicinity, the City of Warsaw and vicinity.

[4] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Reynolds and vicinity, the City of Buxton and vicinity.

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| EXCHANGE                                | MONTHLY<br>RATE | EAS<br>EXCHANGE   | CHART<br>COORDINATES                                 |
|---|-----------------|---|--|
| Sidney, Montana –<br>Rural Territory[1] | \$18.00 (I)     |   |  |
| Thompson, North Dakota                  | 21.36           | Grand Forks-<br>East Grand Forks<br>Reynolds  | J-3<br>D-2   |
| Valley City, North Dakota[2]            | 18.59           | Sanborn<br>Tower City   | C-3<br>B-4   |
| Wahpeton, North Dakota[3]               | 19.62 (I)       | Abercrombie<br>Colfax<br>Fairmount<br>Great Bend<br>Hankinson<br>Lidgerwood<br>Mooreton<br>Wyndmere | B-3<br>A-4<br>A-3<br>B-3<br>C-4<br>B-6<br>B-3<br>B-6 |

[1] North Dakota terms, conditions, rates and charges apply.

[2] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Valley City and vicinity, the City of Oriska and vicinity.

[3] This exchange includes, in addition to the area comprising the City of Wahpeton and vicinity, the City of Dwight and vicinity, certain territory in the State of Minnesota, including the City of Breckenridge and vicinity, the City of Campbell and vicinity, the City of Foxhome and vicinity, and the City of Doran and vicinity.