



October 31, 2016

Mr. Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
600 E. Boulevard Avenue – Department 408  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Attached are an original and seven copies of a filing in the Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC North Dakota Exchange and Network Services Price Schedule No. 1.

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Effective December 1, 2016, the Basic Local Exchange rate for flat primary line residential service will increase by \$2.00 per month. Customers are being notified of this upcoming change in their November bills.

In addition, this filing corrects Page 10 which was inadvertently overlooked in the December 2015 rate increase filing which increased the 1FR rate to \$20.00. To avoid this error in the future, the 1FR rate is being removed from Page 1. The rate of \$22.00 on Page 10 includes both the December 2015 rate and the \$2.00 increase in this filing. Customers have been billed correctly as notified in 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (303) 992-5835 or e-mail me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn Salaver".

Attachment

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**5.1 EXCHANGE AREAS**

**5.1.1 EXCHANGE RATE GROUPS**

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

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Extended Area Service (EAS) increments will apply in addition to the **primary residential line** as described in **5.1.1** and 5.1.2, following.

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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.

**(M) Material previously on this page is found in Section 5.2.4 following.**

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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 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 RATE       | EAS EXCHANGE  | CHART COORDINATES                      |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|---|--|
| Belfield, North Dakota      | <b>\$24.97 (I)</b> | Dickinson<br>South Heart  | H-4<br>C-2                             |
| Bismarck, North Dakota[1]   | <b>22.60</b>       | McKenzie<br>New Salem<br>Sterling<br>Wilton                                 | B-4<br>A-6<br>A-5<br>A-5               |
| Casselton, North Dakota[2]  | <b>25.76</b>       | Buffalo<br>Fargo-Moorhead<br>Kindred<br>Leonard                             | C-4<br>I-4<br>C-4<br>C-4               |
| Dickinson, North Dakota [3] | <b>23.57 (I)</b>   | Belfield<br>Killdeer<br>Manning<br>New England<br>Richardton<br>South Heart | C-4<br>B-7<br>A-5<br>B-5<br>C-5<br>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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B. Basic Local Exchange Rates with EAS Increments (Cont'd)

| EXCHANGE                                     | MONTHLY<br>RATE    | EAS<br>EXCHANGE    | CHART<br>COORDINATES |
|--|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------|
| Emerado, North Dakota[1]                     | <b>\$24.78 (I)</b> | Bygland, Minnesota | A-5                  |
|  |                    | Grand Forks-       |                      |
|  |                    | East Grand Forks   | H-4                  |
|  |                    | Manvel             | A-3                  |
| Fairview, Montana –<br>Suburban Territory[2] | <b>22.00</b>       |                    |                      |
| Fargo, North Dakota[3]                       | <b>22.90 (I)</b>   | 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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B. Basic Local Exchange Rates with EAS Increments (Cont'd)

| EXCHANGE                 | MONTHLY<br>RATE    | EAS<br>EXCHANGE                             | CHART<br>COORDINATES     |
|--------------------------|--------------------|---|--------------------------|
| Gardner, North Dakota[1] | <b>\$25.36 (I)</b> | Arthur<br>Fargo- Moorhead<br>Hunter         | C-3<br>K-5<br>C-3        |
| Grafton, North Dakota[2] | <b>23.57 (I)</b>   | 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] | <b>\$22.91 (I)</b> | Bygland, MN     | A-6                  |
|                              |                    | Emerado         | C-4                  |
|                              |                    | Fisher, MN      | A-3                  |
|                              |                    | Manvel          | A-3                  |
|                              |                    | Reynolds        | A-4                  |
|                              |                    | Thompson        | B-3                  |
| Hatton, North Dakota         | <b>24.14</b>       | Mayville        | E-3                  |
|                              |                    | Northwood       | E-2                  |
| Hillsboro, North Dakota      | <b>22.00</b>       |                 |                      |
| Jamestown, North Dakota[2]   | <b>22.78</b>       | Courtenay       | B-5                  |
|                              |                    | Windsor         | C-4                  |
|                              |                    | Ypsilanti       | B-3                  |
| Kindred, North Dakota[3]     | <b>25.76</b>       | Casselton       | C-4                  |
|                              |                    | Leonard         | C-3                  |
|                              |                    | Fargo-Moorhead  | J-4                  |
|                              |                    | Walcott         | C-2                  |
| Larimore, North Dakota[4]    | <b>22.59 (I)</b>   | 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     | <b>\$26.58 (I)</b> | Casselton<br>Kindred<br>Fargo-Moorhead                            | E-4<br>D-3<br>H-6    |
| Mandan, North Dakota[1]   | <b>22.33</b>       | New Salem<br>St. Anthony  | A-6<br>B-3           |
| Manvel, North Dakota      | <b>25.11</b>       | Bygland, Minnesota<br>Grand Forks-<br>East Grand Forks<br>Emerado | A-5<br>K-3<br>C-3    |
| Mayville, North Dakota[2] | <b>22.39</b>       | Hatton  | C-3                  |
| Minto, North Dakota[3]    | <b>23.29</b>       | Grafton   | F-2                  |
| Northwood, North Dakota   | <b>23.17</b>       | Aneta<br>Hatton   | C-4<br>D-2           |
| Reynolds, North Dakota[4] | <b>24.97 (I)</b>   | 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] | <b>\$22.00 (I)</b> |   |  |
| Thompson, North Dakota                  | <b>25.36</b>       | Grand Forks-<br>East Grand Forks<br>Reynolds  | J-3<br>D-2   |
| Valley City, North Dakota[2]            | <b>22.59</b>       | Sanborn<br>Tower City   | C-3<br>B-4   |
| Wahpeton, North Dakota[3]               | <b>23.62 (I)</b>   | 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.

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**5.2 LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE (Cont'd)**

**5.2.4 FLAT RATE SERVICE**

A. Description

1. Flat Rate Service is an exchange service for which a specified rate is charged, regardless of the amount of usage.

B. Rates and Charges

See Section 3 of this Price Schedule for applicable Service Order Charges.

|                                 | USOC | MONTHLY RATE       |
|---------------------------------|------|--------------------|
| • Residence                     |      |                    |
| - First line (primary), each[1] | 1FR  | <b>\$22.00 (I)</b> |

[1] Rates for nonprimary and additional residential lines are in 5.2.4 of the Exchange and Network Services Catalog No. 2.

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