

February 28, 2003

RE: In the Matter of the Request for Approval of Negotiated
Agreement Under the Telecommunications Act of 1996
Between Topp Comm, Inc., and Qwest Corporation
(f/k/a U S WEST Communications);
Docket No. UT-990302

TO THE PARTIES:

On February 21, 2003, Qwest Corporation filed its "Request for Approval of Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Topp Comm Inc" ("Amendment"). The Amendment states that the parties have agreed to terminate the interconnection agreement that was approved by the Commission on February 26, 1999.

The request does not substantively amend the terms and conditions of the interconnection agreement; rather, it simply notifies the Commission that the agreement in its entirety is no longer binding between the parties. Accordingly, the Commission has re-designated the request as a notice of termination of interconnection agreement in the Commission's records. Interconnection agreements approved by the Commission routinely state terms that provide for the termination of the agreement under various scenarios. The Commission does not require parties to notify the Commission as agreements terminate by their own terms, nor is Commission action necessary to effect such terminations. Likewise, when parties voluntarily terminate interconnection agreements in the entirety, notice and approval by the Commission is not required. However, the Commission commends the parties for providing written notice enabling the Commission to maintain up-to-date records regarding the parties' agreement.

Sincerely,

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary