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**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Investigation into  
U S WEST Communications, Inc.'s Compliance  
with § 271 of the Telecommunications Act of  
1996

Docket No. UT-003022

In the Matter of U S WEST Communications,  
Inc.'s Statement of Generally Available Terms  
Pursuant to Section 252(f) of the Telecommuni-  
cations Act of 1996

Docket No. UT-003040

**QWEST CORPORATION'S NOTICE OF  
UPDATED EXHIBIT A TO ITS STATEMENT OF  
GENERALLY AVAILABLE TERMS AND  
CONDITIONS (9/26/02)**

Qwest Corporation, formerly known as U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("Qwest"), submits this notice of its updated Exhibit A to its Statement of Generally Available Terms and Conditions ("SGAT") in the State of Washington. This Third Amended Exhibit A is attached. Qwest respectfully requests that the Commission allow this version of Exhibit A, and specifically those revised rates reflected in Exhibit A, to go into effect pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(f)(3)(B), on September 29, 2002.

**DISCUSSION**

On August 30, 2002, Qwest filed a Second Amended Exhibit A, which reflected rate changes as detailed in the pleading accompanying that filing. Qwest asked the Commission to allow that Second Amended Exhibit A to become effective retroactively to July 10, 2002. The Commission has not yet

1 entered an order on that filing.

2 Also on August 30, 2002, Qwest filed tariff revisions to its wholesale tariff that were consistent  
3 with the rate changes proposed in the Second Amended Exhibit A. The tariff revisions (Docket No. UT-  
4 021121) were addressed at the Commission's open meeting on September 25, 2002. In that meeting,  
5 Qwest agreed to modify and refile the tariff sheets to make two changes: Qwest withdrew the request for  
6 a retroactive effective date, and Qwest modified its rate proposal for the high frequency portion of the  
7 loop to eliminate the deaveraging proposal and to simply reduce the current flat-rated charge from \$4.00  
8 per month to \$2.00 per month. Those revised tariff sheets were filed with the Commission immediately  
9 after the open meeting on September 25, 2002. The Commission has determined to take no action on  
10 those revisions and they will thus become effective on September 29, 2002.

11 This Third Amended Exhibit A is consistent with the revised sheets filed in Docket No. UT-  
12 021121. Qwest requests that the submitted rates become effective on the same date as the tariff sheets,  
13 September 29, 2002. Qwest will incorporate these new rates into its interconnection agreements.  
14 Where a rate in Exhibit A is lower than the rate currently in a CLEC's interconnection agreement, the  
15 lower rate will apply commencing on the effective date of Exhibit A. The net effect of this action will be  
16 to maintain or reduce wholesale rates in Washington. In no case will Qwest increase rates to our CLEC  
17 customers. Qwest intends that these new, lower rates remain in effect for its CLEC customers until one  
18 of the following occurs: the Commission establishes a different rate in a cost docket; Qwest files with and  
19 receives approval from the Commission for a different rate; or a change in applicable law takes place  
20 triggering a rate change pursuant to any "change in law" provision of an applicable interconnection  
21 agreement.

## 22 CONCLUSION

23 For the foregoing reasons, Qwest respectfully requests that the Commission allow this version of  
24 Exhibit A to the SGAT to go into effect on September 29, 2002 pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(f)(3).

25 DATED this 26th day of September, 2002.

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