

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WYOMING

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR WAIVER OF CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS QUALITY OF SERVICE RULES.)) DOCKET NO. 70000-TA-00-580) (RECORD NO. 5764)))
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

(Issued June 20, 2000)

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act, W.S. §§ 37-1-101, et seq., and the Commission's Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the application of U S WEST Communications, Inc., hereinafter referred to as U S WEST or the Company, for waiver from certain requirements of the Telecommunications Quality of Service Rules, contained in Sections 501 through 512 of the Commission's Procedural Rules and Special Regulations.

1. U S WEST is a telecommunications company as defined by W.S. § 37-15-103(a)(xi) and, as such, is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to the provisions of W.S. § 37-15-401.
2. U S WEST is requesting waiver of certain of the requirements of the Telecommunications Quality of Service Rules, contained in Sections 501 through 512 of the Commission's Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, and as allowed by Section 501(a) of said rules.
3. Section 501(a) provides that the Commission, upon application from a telecommunications provider and for good cause shown, may waive or modify any specific provision of the quality of service rules.
4. U S WEST requests a waiver of all of the Commission's quality of service rules to the extent that they apply to wholesale services, interconnection and access. In addition, U S WEST requests waiver of certain record keeping rules contained in Section 503(d)(i)(A) and (B); waiver of the requirement of Section 507(b), that installation of local exchange service be accomplished within five (5) days in 100% of all cases in which facilities are available; waiver of the requirement of Section 510(b)(i), of the minimum Bit Error Ratio (BER) of 10^{-5} to a minimum BER of 10^{-3} ; waiver of the requirement of Section 511(b)(ii), that 85% of calls to Business and Repair Centers be answered within 20 seconds; and waiver of the requirement of Section 512(b), that 90% of all out-of-service trouble reports be cleared within 24 hours. Finally, U S WEST requests that the Commission include in its order on this application provisions that define the process for modification of the waivers granted. **This is only a summary recitation of the general subjects contained within the application. Please refer to the application for a complete description of the waivers requested and U S WEST's basis for requesting said waivers.**
5. U S WEST's application is on file with the Commission in its offices located in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and at U S WEST's offices also located in Cheyenne, Wyoming, and may be inspected by any interested person during regular business hours.
6. Anyone desiring to intervene, file a statement, representation, protest, complaint, or request a hearing regarding this application must file with the Commission on or before July 20, 2000, setting forth the basis for the intervention, comment, complaint or request for hearing.
7. The Commission directs that the public notice with regard to this matter be in the following form:

PUBLIC NOTICE

U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST) has applied to the Wyoming Public Service Commission (PSC) for waiver of certain of the requirements of the Telecommunications Quality of Service Rules, contained in Sections 501 through 512 of the Commission's Procedural Rules and Special Regulations. Waivers of the quality of service rules are allowed by Section 501(a) of those rules.

Section 501(a) provides that the Commission, upon application from a telecommunications provider and for good cause shown, may waive or modify any specific provision of the quality of service rules.

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You may review U S WEST's application at the PSC's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, or at the Company's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours.

To intervene, request a hearing, file a statement, complaint, or protest this application, you must file with the PSC, mentioning Docket No. 70000-TT-00-580, on or before July 20, 2000.

If you wish to participate and require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the PSC at (307) 777-7427 or write the PSC at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications impaired persons may contact the PSC through Wyoming Relay at 1-800-877-9965. Please mention the docket number when you contact us.

Dated June 20, 2000.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming this 20th day of June, 2000.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

EDNA YOUNG, Assistant Secretary

Wyoming Public Service Commission

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