

QWEST CORPORATION
ACCESS SERVICE
TARIFF F.C.C. NO. 2
DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION
SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION

INTRODUCTION AND DESCRIPTION

This filing is being made by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) in its Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, Special Construction to add one new case in Section 6 of the tariff.

CASE DETAIL

US Army Yuma Proving Grounds

Case No. 62

(Reference No. AZ0502681)

Description:

This special construction case is for the placement of 27,200 feet of fiber cable and 4,630 feet of conduit between the US Army Yuma Proving Grounds Building #2105 and the Qwest central office at 2895 E. Palo Verde St., Yuma, AZ. This cable and conduit will be used to provide SST OC3 Service. A total charge of \$392,592.80 is due and payable in a one-time up-front payment.

COST SUPPORT AND WORKPAPERS

Construction Costs

These cases meet the conditions for Special Construction as specified in Qwest's Special Construction Tariff. The costs are for the engineering and placement of facilities and a loading to recover overhead costs.

In order to calculate specific amounts, the actual costs associated with the special construction project are reported by the engineering department. These are costs directly associated with the project such as engineering the job, the equipment, the labor to install the equipment, placement of the fiber or cable, and shipping of the material.

Once these actual costs have been calculated, an "Overhead Loading for Special Construction" is then applied to come up with an overhead loading. The overhead loading factor is .42 and includes the following type of expenses: administrative expenses, product management expenses, sales expenses, common overhead expenses, and business fees.

Workpaper A-1 displays the total direct cost and the overhead loading.

Case Preparation Cost

The case preparation charge, as displayed on Workpaper A-1 covers the one-time preparation costs and filing fees associated with these special construction cases. The charge consists of labor to prepare cost documentation; to write the tariff; and to prepare the Description and Justification (D&J), the Transmittal Letter and coordinate the filing. These fees are based on average 2002 case preparation times.

After the work functions were identified, the time required for case preparation was calculated (an average of 2 hours per case). The task time identified was then multiplied by the appropriate labor rate ($2 \times \$38.11 = \76.22).

The prorated cost of the filing fees was calculated by taking the number of special construction cases filed in 2002 divided by the number of special construction tariff filings to produce and average number of special access cases per filing (4.29). The FCC's \$720 filing fee was then divided by this factor to come up with a prorated filing fee of \$168 per special construction case.

The sum of the labor calculations plus the prorated cost of the filing fee produces the case preparation charge.

COST SUPPORT

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CONSTRUCTION COSTS

Direct Costs	\$	227,562.18
Overhead	\$	<u>164,786.40</u>
Total	\$	392,348.58

CASE PREPARATION CHARGE

Case Preparation	\$	76.22
Prorated FCC Filing Fee	\$	<u>168.00</u>
Total Case Preparation Charge	\$	244.22
Total Charge	\$	392,592.80