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Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Attention: Wireline Competition Bureau

The accompanying tariff material, issued on behalf of Qwest Corporation (Qwest) FRN 0003-7467-57 (Concurring Carriers, The Malheur Home Telephone Company FRN 0003-7467-65 and El Paso County Telephone Company FRN 0004-3212-46), and bearing Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, effective as reflected on the attached tariff pages, is sent to you in compliance with the requirements of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Tariff material, issued on behalf of Qwest Corporation (Qwest) FRN 0003-7467-57 (Concurring Carrier, The Malheur Home Telephone Company FRN 0003-7467-65), and bearing Tariff F.C.C. No. 2 and No. 4, effective as reflected on the attached tariff pages, is also being sent to you.

This material consists of tariff pages indicated on the following check sheet(s):

Tariff F.C.C. No.	Check Sheet Revision No.
1	249th Revised Page 0-1 40th Revised Page 0-1.1 5th Revised Page 0-1.5 16th Revised Page 0-1.17 16th Revised Page 0-1.29 7th Revised Page 0-1.37
2	59th Revised Page 0-1 50th Revised Page 0-1.1 22nd Revised Page 0-1.2
4	27th Revised Page 0-1 23rd Revised Page 0-1.1

With this tariff filing, Qwest is updating the universal service contribution factors for the second quarter of 2006 in Tariff F.C.C. No. 1 and No. 4. These updates apply the factor adopted in Public Notice DA 06-571, released March 13, 2006.

The general USF charge factor has been increased to 0.109 to reflect the second quarter 2006 charge factor.

### Multiline Business USF Charge Factor

As shown in Workpaper 1, "Federal Universal Service Fund Charge Factor Development," the Multiline Business charge factor for each study area is calculated by dividing the Multiline Business lines subject to FCC end user charges by the total number of lines subject to PICC charges pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 69.153. This ratio is multiplied by the second Quarter 2006 USF Factor to determine the appropriate Multiline Business USF Charge Factor.

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Centrex USF Charge Factor

As shown in Workpaper 1, "Federal Universal Service Fund Charge Factor Development," the Centrex USF Charge Factor is one-ninth of the Multiline Business USF Charge Factor.

As part of this filing Qwest is also changing tariff language in its Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, Section 7, Private Line Transport Service and Section 17, Private Line Transport Service – Pricing Flexibility, to remove OC192 Port – Protected and WAN PHY Ethernet Port, 10 Gbps – Protected currently offered under GeoMax. Qwest is removing these two items since it discovered technical problems that need to be fixed before the services can be implemented. Once these technical problems have been fixed, Qwest plans to reintroduce the services.

Qwest is also filing tariff language in Section 6, Switched Access Service, to incorporate language concerning warehousing and hoarding, pursuant to C.F.R. § 52.105 and § 52.107. This tariff change is being made to be consistent with the SMS/800 tariff.

Supporting information discussed under Sections 61.38 and 61.49 of the Commission's Rules is, to the extent required, included in this transmittal letter.

In addition to the previous items, Qwest is also adding twenty new special construction cases in its Tariff F.C.C. No. 2, Special Construction. Supporting information for these cases, discussed under Section 61.38 of the Commission's Rules, is included in the attached Special Construction Description and Justification (D&J).

The Tariff filing fee in the amount of \$720.00 is being paid by credit card through the appropriate entries in Section E of the ETFS generated Form 159.

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing, including service copies of petitions, should be directed to:

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Attachments:     Tariff Pages  
                      Workpaper 1  
                      Special Construction Description and Justification