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COMMENTS INVITED ON QWEST CORPORATION APPLICATION TO DISCONTINUE DOMESTIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES

NSD File No. W-P-D-508

Comments Due: August 10, 2001

Section 214 Application **Applicant: Qwest Corporation**

On June 12, 2001, Qwest Corporation (Qwest or Applicant), filed an application requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and section 63.71 of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC or Commission) rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue service to a segment of a telephone exchange in Phoenix, Arizona.

The application states that Qwest intends to transfer to Saddleback Communications (Saddleback) approximately two thousand seven hundred (2,700) access lines located within the boundaries of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. According to the application, Saddleback was formed in 1997 with the mission of improving and enhancing business and residential telecommunications services within the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community. The application also states that Saddleback has demonstrated a strong commitment to providing high quality, state-of-the-art telecommunications services to reservation customers. The application states that existing service will not be discontinued, reduced or impaired as the result of the transfer.

In accordance with 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(c), the application will be deemed to be automatically granted on the sixtieth (60th) day after the release date of this notice, unless the Commission has notified Applicant that the grant will not be automatically effective. The FCC will normally authorize proposed discontinuances of service unless it is shown that customers or other end users would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected.

Comments objecting to this application must be filed with the Commission by **August 10, 2001**. Such comments should refer to application file number **W-P-D-508**. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance on the commenter, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service. Comments should be sent to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Two (2) copies of the comments should also be sent to the Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 6-A207, Washington, DC 20554; Attention: Al McCloud.

The application will be available for review and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 418-0270. A copy of the application may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036, telephone (202) 857-3800, facsimile (202) 857-3805, TTY (202) 293-8810.

For further information, contact Al McCloud, (202) 418-2499 (voice), amecloud@fcc.gov, or Jon Minkoff (202) 418-2353 (voice), jminkoff@fcc.gov, of the Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau. The TTY number is (202) 418-0484. For further information on procedures regarding Section 214 please visit the Network Services Division web site at: <http://www.fcc.gov/ccb/nsd/documents/214.html>.

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