Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

In re the Application of)
U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC.) File No. W-P-D-397
To discontinue service over certain facilities)
located in the states of Idaho and Wyoming,)
pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214.)

ORDER AND CERTIFICATE

Adopted: September 5, 1996 Released: September 5, 1996

By the Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau:

- 1. On November 23, 1994, U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST") filed the above-referenced application (the "application") pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Part 63 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. Part 63, seeking (1) Commission authority to discontinue service over certain facilities located in the states of Idaho and Wyoming and described more fully in the application; and (2) a waiver of Sections 63.90 (publication and posting of notices) and 63.505(1) (data on toll messages and revenues). No comments or oppositions were filed in response to our public notice of the application released on November 30, 1994. On August 29, 1996, U S WEST filed a minor amendment to its application withdrawing the portion of the application covering the Driggs, Idaho, exchange.
- 2. Having reviewed the application, as amended, we find that it complies with the requirements of Section 214 of the Communications Act and Part 63 of our rules. Furthermore, for the reasons stated in the application, as amended, we find that the transactions described will not adversely affect the present or the future public convenience and necessity.
- 3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED pursuant to Sections 0.91 and 0.291 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91 and 0.291, that Sections 63.90 and 63.505(l) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 63.90 and 63.505(l), ARE WAIVED and the above referenced application, W-P-D-397, as amended, IS GRANTED. US WEST Communications IS AUTHORIZED to discontinue service over the facilities described in this application, as amended.

4. This Order and Authorization IS EFFECTIVE upon release. Failure of the applicant to decline the authorization in writing within thirty-one days from the release date will be construed as formal acceptance.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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