

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC., n/k/a QWEST CORPORATION, AND SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.	DOCKET NO. NIA-97-17
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**ORDER DOCKETING AMENDMENT NO. 6 TO NEGOTIATED  
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT FOR COMMENTS**

(Issued April 13, 2001)

On April 2, 2001, U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation (Qwest), and Sprint Communications Company, L.P (Sprint), filed a sixth amendment to their negotiated interconnection agreement that added terms and conditions for single point of presence in the LATA. The Utilities Board (Board), on October 6, 1997, approved the initial negotiated interconnection agreement. Review by the Board of this amendment is pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e).

The proceeding concerning the sixth amendment is identified as Docket No. NIA-97-17. Any interested party may submit written comments supporting approval or rejection of the amendment within 30 days of the filing pursuant to 199 IAC 38.7(4). Accordingly, the Board will accept written comments filed on or before May 2, 2001. The Board will determine what procedures are appropriate for review of the amended agreement after any comments are filed.

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(4), the Board must approve or reject a negotiated interconnection agreement or amendment within 90 days of the submission or the agreement or amendment will be deemed approved.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The proceeding to review Amendment No. 6 to the negotiated interconnection agreement as filed on April 2, 2001, by U S WEST Communications, Inc., n/k/a Qwest Corporation, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P., shall be identified as Docket No. NIA-97-17.

2. Comments supporting approval or rejection of the amended agreement by the parties to the negotiation or other interested parties shall be filed on or before May 2, 2001.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2001.