

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

<p>IN RE:</p> <p>MCLEODUSA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.,</p> <p style="text-align:right">Complainant,</p> <p style="text-align:center">v.</p> <p>QWEST CORPORATION,</p> <p style="text-align:right">Respondent.</p>	<p style="text-align:center">DOCKET NO. FCU-06-20</p>
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ORDER REQUESTING INFORMATION

(Issued May 5, 2006)

On February 9, 2006, McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. (McLeodUSA), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a complaint against Qwest Corporation (Qwest) pursuant to Iowa Code §§ 476.100 and 476.101. McLeodUSA alleges it is being overcharged by Qwest for collocation power charges in violation of Iowa law and the interconnection agreement between the parties. On March 6, 2006, the Board issued its "Order Docketing Complaint, Granting Partial Dismissal, and Setting Procedural Schedule."

In reviewing the pre-filed testimony in preparation for hearing, the Board believes certain additional information may be useful. The Board has prepared a chart listing the various iterations of agreements between Qwest and McLeodUSA

relating to the issue of –48 Volt DC Power Usage Charges and directs each party to complete its portion of the chart with its understanding of how the language was used for billing during the relevant times.

In addition, the Board proposes to take official notice of the following information:

Collocation – General Information V17.0, located at the following URL:
http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/downloads/2003/030905/PCAT_ColloGeneralInfo_V17.doc

The following Exhibit A's to Qwest's Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT):

Arizona Exhibit A – Fourteenth Revision, Third Amended, February 10, 2005.
Colorado Exhibit A – Ninth Revision, 2nd Amended, February 15, 2005
Idaho Exhibit A – Third Revision, 7th Amended, March 24, 2005
Iowa Exhibit A – Sixth Revision, 4th Amended, February 5, 2005
Minnesota Exhibit A – Third Revision, Sixth Amended, December, 21, 2005
Montana Exhibit A – Fifth Revision, 6th Amended, February 15, 2005
Nebraska Exhibit A – Seventh Revision, Fifth Amended, February 16, 2005
New Mexico Exhibit A – Eleventh Revision, Sixth Amended, October 11, 2005
North Dakota Exhibit A – Sixth Revision, Fifth Amended Errata, December 21, 2004
Oregon Exhibit A – Eighteenth Revision, November 24, 2004
South Dakota Exhibit A – Fourth Revision, Second Amended Errata, February, 17, 2005
Utah Exhibit A – Seventh Revision, Second Amended, May 17, 2005
Washington Exhibit A – Eighth Revision, Ninth Amended, February 15, 2005
Wyoming Exhibit A – Sixth Revision, 2nd Amended, February 14, 2005

Each of the preceding Exhibit A's can be located at the following URL:
<http://www.qwest.com/wholesale/clecs/sgatswireline.html>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc., are directed to complete their respective portions of the chart attached to this order as Attachment A and file the responses with the Board on or before May 9, 2006.

2. Pursuant to Iowa Code § 17A.14, the Board is taking official notice of the information described in the body of this order and the summary of prices prepared by Board staff and attached to this order as Attachment B.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 5th day of May, 2006.

ATTACHMENT A

**FCU-06-20
-48 Volt DC Power Usage Charges**

<p>Relevant Language</p>	<p>Qwest Iowa SGAT Sixth Revision, June 10, 2002:</p> <p>8.3.1.6 -48 Volt DC Power Usage Charge. Provides -48 volt DC power to CLEC collocated equipment and is fused at one hundred twenty five percent (125%) of request. Charged on a per ampere basis.</p>	<p>Collocation DC Power, Wholesale Interconnection – Effective October 23, 2003 (See Exhibit WRE-1):</p> <p>-48 Volt DC Power Capacity and Usage Charges – Charges for -48 volt DC power to your collocated equipment, which is fused at a minimum of 125% of the request. The Capacity Charge recovers the cost of the capacity of the power plant available for your use. The Usage Charge recovers the cost of the power used. Both the Capacity Charge and the Usage Charge are applied on a per amp basis. (page 1 of 7)</p> <p>-48 Volt Capacity Charge – The -48 volt Capacity Charge is specified in Exhibit A and applies to the quantity of -48 volt DC power Capacity specified on your order.</p> <p>-48 Volt DC Power Usage Charge – The -48 volt DC Power Usage Charge is specified in Exhibit A and applies to the quantity of -48 volt DC power capacity specified on your order. Different rates may apply; if specified in Exhibit A, depending on whether the quantity of DC power consumed is measured or non-measured.</p> <p>a) Measured -48 volt DC Power Usage Charge – Applies on a per amp basis to all orders of greater than 60 amps. Qwest will initially apply the Measured -48 volt DC Power Usage Charge from Exhibit A to the quantity of power ordered. There is a one amp minimum charge for -48 volt DC Power Usage. Qwest will adjust the monthly usage rate based upon the actual usage on a going forward basis.</p>	<p>DC Power Measuring Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest and McLeodUSA, dated August 5, 2004:</p> <p>2.0 Rate Elements – All Collocation</p> <p>2.1 -48 Volt DC Power Usage and AC Usage Charges. Provide -48 volt DC power to CLEC collocated equipment and is fused at one hundred twenty-five percent (125%) of request. The DC Power Usage Charge is for the capacity of the power plant available for CLEC’s use. The AC Usage Charge is for the power used by CLEC. Both the DC Power Usage Charge and the AC Usage Charge are applied on a per ampere basis.</p> <p>2.2 The -48 Volt DC Power Usage Charge is specified in Exhibit A of the Agreement and applies to the quantity of -48 Volt Capacity specified by the CLEC in its order</p> <p>2.2.1 -48 volt DC Power Usage Charge – Applies on a per amp basis to all orders of greater than sixty (60) amps. Qwest will initially apply the -48 Volt DC Power Usage Charge from Exhibit A of the Agreement to the quantity of power ordered by CLEC. Qwest will determine the actual usage at the power board as Section 1.2. There is a one (1) amp minimum charge for -48 Volt DC Power Usage.</p>
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<p>McLeodUSA Interpretation</p>			
<p>Qwest Interpretation</p>			

Note: All of the above iterations are billed based on the following rate elements as listed in Attachment A (Sixth Revision, 4th Amended, February 5, 2005) to the Iowa SGAT, Sixth Revision, June 10, 2002 as shown below:

8.1.4	Power Usage	
8.1.4.1	-48 Volt DC Power Usage	
8.1.4.1.1	Power Plant, per Amp	\$12.17
8.1.4.1.2	Power Usage Less Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$2.19
8.1.4.1.3	Power Usage More Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$4.37

ATTACHMENT B

Collocation - Power Usage Charges for Qwest States

Prepared May 4, 2006

8.0 Collocation	<u>Arizona</u>	<u>Colorado</u>	<u>Idaho¹</u>	<u>Nebraska¹</u>	<u>New Mexico¹</u>	<u>North Dakota¹</u>	<u>Utah¹</u>	<u>Wyoming</u>
8.1 All Collocation								
8.1.4 Power Usage								
8.1.4.1 -48 Volt DC Power Usage, per Ampere, per Month								
8.1.4.1.1 Power Plant								
Greater Than 60 Amps	\$10.75	\$6.14						\$6.14
Equal to 60 Amps	\$10.75	\$7.22	\$8.42	\$8.38	\$8.69	\$9.75	\$7.7927	\$7.22
Less Than 60 Amps	\$10.75	\$9.22	\$10.64	\$12.67	\$11.16	\$12.51	\$11.7795	\$9.22
8.1.4.1.2 Power Usage								
Less Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$3.64	\$2.25	\$2.47	\$2.28	\$3.85	\$1.98	\$1.95	\$2.25
More Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$7.27	\$4.50	\$4.93	\$4.56	\$7.70	\$3.97	\$3.89	\$4.50

8.1.4 Power Usage	<u>Iowa</u>	<u>Montana</u>
8.1.4.1 -48 Volt DC Power Usage		
Power Plant, per Amp	\$12.17	\$11.30
Power Usage Less Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$2.19	\$2.82
Power Usage More Than 60 Amps, per Amp	\$4.37	\$5.63

8.1.4 Power Usage	<u>Washington</u>
8.1.4.1 DC Power Usage, per Ampere, per Month	
Power Plant	\$9.34
Usage Less than 60 Amps, per Ampere Ordered	\$1.57
Usage More than 60 Amps, per Ampere Used	\$3.13

8.1.4 Power Usage	<u>South Dakota</u>	<u>Oregon</u>
8.1.4.1 -48 Volt DC Power Usage, per Ampere, per Month	\$15.24	\$7.52

8.1.4 Power Usage	<u>Minnesota</u>
8.1.4.1 Intentionally Left Blank	
8.1.4.2 AC Usage	
8.1.4.2.1 AC Usage, per Amp, per Month	\$2.03

¹ The Power Plant charge for these states is divided between Greater Than 60 Amps and Equal to or Greater than 60 Amps