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Attention: Telecommunications Advisor

Re: FCC Application of Qwest Long Distance, Inc.

To Whom It May Concern:

Enclosed for your information is an application of Qwest Long Distance, Inc., filed today with the U.S. Federal Communications Commission, for approval of a discontinuance of service. The FCC's rules require that a copy of such an application be sent to the governor and public service commission of each state in which discontinuance is proposed. No action on your part is required.

Please direct any questions regarding this matter to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas A. Klein
Attorney for Qwest Long Distance, Inc.

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

In the Matter of)
)
Qwest Long Distance, Inc.)
)
Application for Authority to Discontinue)
U.S. Domestic Telecommunications Service)
_____)

File No. _____

SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

Qwest Long Distance, Inc. ("QLD") hereby requests authority pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended ("Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the rules of Federal Communications Commission ("Commission"), 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue the provision of U.S. domestic interstate telecommunications services. This discontinuance applies only to services provided by QLD, and not to any services provided by other affiliates or subsidiaries of Qwest Communications International, Inc. ("Qwest").¹

QLD, formerly U S WEST Long Distance, Inc. ("USWLD"), had been designated as U S WEST Inc.'s Section 272 affiliate before its merger with Qwest and during a transition period after the merger. During that time, QLD offered long-distance services outside the fourteen-state U S WEST region. After the merger, all QLD customers were contacted and voluntarily agreed to choose another long-distance carrier. In January 2001, Qwest decided to designate a different subsidiary, Qwest Communications Corporation ("QCC"), as its Section 272 affiliate and to consolidate QLD's operations into QCC. QCC, which was the

¹ QLD has never offered or provided interLATA telecommunications services originating in the fourteen states where Qwest Corporation is the regional Bell operating company: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

Qwest long-distance operating company prior to the merger, owns a nationwide telecommunications network and is one of the top five providers of long-distance service in the United States. QLD no longer has any customers anywhere in the United States, so it will not be necessary to notify any customers of this proposed discontinuance.

QLD provides the following information in support of this Application pursuant to Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules:

I. SECTION 63.71(a) INFORMATION

(1) Name and address of carrier:

Qwest Long Distance, Inc.
1801 California St., Suite 3100
Denver, CO 80202

(2) Date of planned service discontinuance:

QLD has not served any customers or solicited new customers since August of 2000.

(3) Geographic areas affected:

The areas affected are all locations that had been served by QLD in the entire United States. QLD has never offered service in the states of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.

(4) Brief description of type of service affected:

QLD hereby seeks authority to discontinue the provision of U.S. domestic interstate telecommunications services. QLD will also be complying with Section 63.19 of the Commission's rules with respect to discontinuance of international services.

II. NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Because QLD does not currently have any customers, no customers will be affected by this proposed discontinuance. Therefore, it will not be necessary for QLD to notify any customers.

QLD certifies that concurrent with the filing of this Application, QLD is submitting a copy of this Application to the public utility commission and governor of each state in which discontinuance is proposed, and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71(a). See attached Certificate of Service.

III. REGULATORY STATUS

QLD is regulated as a non-dominant carrier with respect to the service that it seeks authority to discontinue.

IV. CONCLUSION

Neither the present nor future public convenience and necessity will be adversely affected by this proposed termination of service. It is merely the result of a corporate reorganization that will enable Qwest and its subsidiaries to provide out-of-region and, subject to satisfaction of the requirements of Section 271 of the Communications Act by Qwest Corporation, in-region long-distance services to the public. As explained above, no customers will be affected because QLD does not currently serve any customers for the service that it seeks authority to discontinue. Clearly, the public has access to comparable domestic interstate telecommunications services offered at competitive prices by many other domestic telecommunications carriers, including other Qwest subsidiaries.

For the foregoing reasons, QLD respectfully requests, pursuant to Section 214(a) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and Section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, that the Commission approve its Section 63.71 Application to discontinue the provision of U.S. domestic interstate telecommunications services.

Respectfully submitted,

Qwest Long Distance, Inc.

By: *Douglas A. Klein*

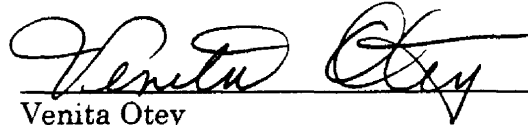
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September 20, 2001

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Venita Otey, hereby certify that, on this day, September 20, 2001, I served a copy of the foregoing Section 63.71 Application of Qwest Long Distance, Inc., via First Class Mail (except where noted), to the persons listed below.



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