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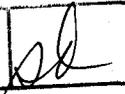
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Ms. Maureen Arnold
Director, Regulatory Matters
U. S. WEST Communications, Inc.
3033 N. Central Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona 85012

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RE: U S WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. - APPLICATION FOR A RATE INCREASE

Dear : Ms. Arnold

In reference to your rate application received on January 31, 1999, this letter is to inform you that your application has met the sufficiency requirements as outlined in Arizona Administrative Code R14-2-103. The official docketing date of your application is February 26, 1999. The Docket Number of your rate application is T-01051B-99-0105. Your utility has been classified as Class A.

Barring any substantial amendments to the filing or extraordinary events, the testimony regarding this application should be docketed on or about August 24, 1999. The Staff person assigned to your application is Sheryl L. Hubbard, and she can be reached at (800)-222-7000, extension 2-0743 or (602)-542-0743, if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Sheryl L. Hubbard
Chief, Accounting and Rates
Utilities Division

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