(text box: 1)BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| IN THE MATTER OF U S WEST COMMUNI-  CATIONS, INC.’S TARIFF ADVICE FILING NOS.  97-12-N, 97-13-N AND 97-14-N REVISING ITS TERMINATION LIABILITY ASSESSMENT FOR CONTRACTS, PRIVATE LINE TRANS­PORT SERVICES AND ADVANCED COMMU­NICATIONS IN NORTHERN IDAHO. | )  )  )  )  )  )  )  ) | CASE NO. USW-T-97-18  INTERLOCUTORY  ORDER NO. 27130 |

On August 7, 1997, U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST; Company) filed revisions to its northern Idaho Exchange and Network Services Tariff, Private Line Transport Services Tariff and Advanced Communications Services Tariff.  The Company seeks to revise its liability assessments on contracts, private line transport and advance services that are discontinued prior to the normal contract expiration date.  We find that pursuant to Idaho Code § 61-622, the tariff revisions proposed by U S WEST in this case are of sufficient complexity to justify and require a suspension of those revisions from the requested effective date of September 9, 1997 for a period of 30 days plus five months or until such time as the Commission issues an order resolving this matter.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that U S WEST’s proposed Tariff Advice Nos. 97-12-N, 97-13-N and 97-14-N are suspended as set forth herein.

THIS IS AN INTERLOCUTORY ORDER.  Any person interested in this Order may file a petition for review within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order with regard to any matter decided in this Order.  A petition to review may request that the Commission: (1) rescind, clarify, alter, amend; (2) stay; or (3) finalize this Interlocutory Order. After any person has petitioned for review, any other person may file a cross-petition within seven (7) days.  See  Rules 321, 322, 323.03, 324, 325 (IDAPA 31.01.01.321 -325.)

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this                  day of September 1997.

                                                                                                                                      DENNIS S. HANSEN, PRESIDENT

                                                                                           RALPH NELSON, COMMISSIONER

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

Myrna J. Walters

Commission Secretary

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**COMMENTS AND ANNOTATIONS**

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Service Date

September 9, 1997