(Decision No. C93-79)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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APPLICATION OF U S WEST)	
COMMUNICATIONS, INC., FOR)	
AUTHORITY TO BE A BASIC)	DOCKET NO. 92A-696T
EMERGENCY SERVICE PROVIDER IN)	
THE EXCHANGES SERVED BY THE)	COMMISSION ORDER
INDEPENDENT TELEPHONE COMPANIES,)	APPROVING APPLICATION
EXCEPT THE HAXTUN AND HOLYOKE)	
EXCHANGES.)	

Mailed Date: January 26, 1993 Adopted Date: January 20, 1993

STATEMENT AND FINDINGS OF FACT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On November 25, 1992, U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST"), filed an Application for Authority to be a Basic Emergency Service Provider ("E-911") in the Exchanges Served by the Independent Telephone Companies, except the Haxtun and Holyoke Exchanges. The Application was submitted in accordance with Rule 3 of the Commission's Rules Regulating Emergency Reporting Services for Emergency Telecommunications Service Provider and Telephone Utilities ("E-911 Rules") found at 4 CCR 723-29, the Stipulation entered into between the parties to Docket No. 92A-349T, and Commission Decision No. R92-1421, also entered in Docket No. 92A-349T.

On November 30, 1992, the Commission issued a Notice of Application Filed ("Notice") pursuant to Rule 71 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure.

Pursuant to the Notice, any party wishing to intervene had 30 days from the date of the Notice in which to intervene. The intervention date expired on December 30, 1992. A review of the file indicates that no party intervened in this docket. Pursuant to § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S., the Commission may process U S WEST's Application without a hearing if no intervention or petitions to intervene were timely filed in accordance with the statute. Since no party intervened or filed a petition to intervene, the Commission will proceed to process this Application without a hearing and on the basis of the Application filed by U S WEST.

The Commission notes that U S WEST provides telecommunications services in Colorado throughout its franchised area of operations which comprise much of the urban and rural areas of the state. The Commission recognizes that U S WEST is currently the Basic Emergency Service Provider for most of Colorado. Taking administrative notice of the information about U S WEST currently on file at the Commission and the tariffs filed by U S WEST on November 20, 1992, the Commission is satisfied that U S WEST is capable of providing the basic emergency services for those exchanges which are the subject of the Application and which are currently being served by the independent telephone companies. Because Application excepts the Haxtun and Holyoke exchanges, Because the any certificate granted to U S WEST pursuant to this Order to be a basic emergency service provider specifically does not extend to the geographical area within those two exchange boundaries as set forth in U S WEST's Application, Exhibit B.

THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. U S WEST Communications, Inc.'s Application for Authority to be a Basic Emergency Service Provider of E-911 services in the Exchanges Served by the Independent Telephone Companies, except the Haxtun and Holyoke Exchanges, is hereby granted.

This Order shall serve as U S WEST Communications, Inc.'s 2. certificate of public convenience and necessity to be a Basic Emergency Service Provider of E-911 services.

This Order shall be effective on its Mailed Date.

ADOPTED IN OPEN MEETING January 20, 1993.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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