

Service Date: September 24, 1990

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

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IN THE MATTER of the Application	)	UTILITY DIVISION
of U.S. West Communications for	)	
Forbearance of Regulation Re:	)	DOCKET NO. 90.9.60
First Interstate BancSystem of	)	
Montana, Inc.	)	ORDER NO. 5504

ORDER DEFERRING ACTION

FINDINGS OF FACT

On September 14, 1990 U.S. West Communications (USWC) filed an application with the Montana Public Service Commission (PSC) requesting forbearance of rate regulation for intraLATA toll service to First Interstate BancSystem of Montana, Inc., pursuant to § 69-3-808, MCA.

A worksession on this matter will be scheduled during the week of September 24th in the PSC Conference Room, 2701 Prospect Avenue, Helena Montana.

The 10 day period permitted by statute, for Commission action on such an application, would expire on September 24, 1990 unless action is deferred as provided by § 69-3-808(3), MCA.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. USWC offers regulated telecommunications services in the state of Montana and is a public utility pursuant to, § 69-3-101, MCA. The Commission has authority to supervise, regulate and control public utilities. § 69-3-102, MCA.

2. The PSC shall defer action on USWC's application for forbearance for an additional five day period, as provided in § 69-3-808(3), MCA.

### ORDER

1. PSC action on USWC's application for forbearance is hereby deferred for an additional five day period, until September 29, 1990.

2. The PSC intends to take action on this matter on or before said date.

Done and Dated this 24th day of September, 1990 by a vote of 5-0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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HOWARD L. ELLIS, Chairman

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DANNY OBERG, Vice Chairman

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JOHN B. DRISCOLL, Commissioner

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REX MANUEL, Commissioner

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WALLACE W. "WALLY" MERCER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Ann Peck  
Commission Secretary

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NOTE: Any interested party may request that the Commission reconsider this decision. A motion to reconsider must be filed within ten (10) days. See ARM 38.2.4806.