BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission,)	Application No. NUSF-21
on its own motion, seeking to)	
conduct an investigation into)	
the provisioning of access to)	ORDER CLOSING INVESTIGATION
advanced services.)	
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)	Entered: December 9, 2003

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 11, 2000, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) entered an order opening the above-captioned docket to conduct an investigation into the provisioning of access to advanced services. In that order, the Commission asked the parties to comment on what obligations state and federal law place on the NUSF to support advanced telecommunications and information services. Specifically, the Commission posed eight questions focusing in on whether the definition for NUSF supported services should be expanded to include 28.8kps or 56kps modem speeds over traditional analog telephones.

Notice of the investigation was mailed to all incumbent local exchange carriers, competitive local exchange carriers, interexchange carriers, and several Internet providers who were interested parties in Docket C-1628. Comments were due on March 13, 2000. The Commission received timely comments from five interested parties: the Nebraska Telephone Association, GTE Midwest, Inc., U. S. West Communications, AT&T and MCI Worldcom, Inc.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

While the Commission has not resolved the issues presented in this investigation, the Commission finds that because many of the same issues involving advanced services are currently being considered in NUSF-26, the above-captioned investigation should be closed. Interested parties remain free to provide their opinions on the issues presented in this docket within the scope of NUSF-26.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above-captioned investigation be and it is hereby closed.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9th day of December, 2003.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director