BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of GTE Midwest,) Application No. NUSF-8
Incorporated, of Wentzville,)
Missouri seeking to waive)
certain Nebraska Universal) DISMISSED
Service Fund(NUSF) require-)
ments and an extension of)
time to file NUSF transition)
plan. Entered: August 7, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

By application filed May 5, 1999, GTE Midwest Incorporated, (GTE or applicant) filed an application seeking a waiver of certain Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF) requirements and for an extension of time to file its NUSF transition plan. Notice of the application appeared in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 10, 1999. No protests or petitions of formal intervention were filed. No formal action on the application was taken by the Commission.

On October 27, 1999, GTE and Citizens Communication Company of Nebraska, Stamford, Connecticut, (Citizens) filed a joint application with the Commission seeking authority for approval of the acquisition of the GTE telephone exchanges and assets within the state by Citizens. After a series of public hearings, the Commission approved the acquisition by Citizens of the exchanges and assets owned by GTE on April 5, 2000, in Application C-2148.

Upon review of the present application, we find that because GTE sold its Nebraska exchanges to Citizens, the issues giving rise to this application have now become moot. Therefore, the application should be dismissed.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. NUSF-8, should be and it is hereby dismissed as moot.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 7th day of August, 2001.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING

ATTEST:

Executive Dire

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

//s//Rod Johnson //s//Frank E. Landis