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BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the application of Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebraska, for approval of a tariff sheet of its General Exchange Tariff.

Application No. C-207

GRANTED IN PART

Entered: February 9, 1982

APPEARANCES:

For the applicant Richard L. Johnson, Attorney 100 South 19th Street Omaha, Nebraska

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By its application filed December 8, 1981, the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebraska, seeks approval of a tariff sheet of its General Exchange Tariff.

Notice of the filing of the application was published pursuant to the provisions of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. No protest to the application was filed.

Pursuant to notice required by law, public hearing was held on the application on February 2, 1982 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln Nebraska with appearances as set forth above.

Attached to the application and incorporated herein by reference is a copy of the following proposed tariff sheet:

General Exchange Tariff: Second Revised Sheet 1, Section 1

Applicant seeks to revise its tariff to introduce a returned check charge of \$10.00 to apply for each occasion a check is returned for no account or for insufficient funds.

The evidence indicates that there is a cost to the applicant for processing returned checks, however some of the cost is represented by salaries and wages that would continue even without any returned checks. We are of the opinion that a charge of \$3.00 is fair and reasonable.

Upon consideration of the application the evidence adduced at the hearing and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that as modified above the application is fair and reasonable, is in the public interest and should be granted in part.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-207 be and it is hereby granted in part and the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized to revise its tariff to include the sheet set forth in the Opinion and Findings herein.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant be and it is hereby authorized to charge and collect \$3.00 for returned checks.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file an appropriate tariff sheet with the Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9th day of February, 1982.

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Chairman

ATTEST:

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Terrence L. Anticeto Secretary