BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the application of the General Telephone Company of the Midwest,) Columbus, Nebraska, for authority to up-) grade to business and residence one-party) zoned service and eliminate multi-party rates in its Alma, Nebraska exchange.

Application No. C-287

GRANTED

Entered: October 12, 1982

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By its application filed July 29, 1982, the General Telephone Company of the Midwest, Columbus, Nebraska, seeks authority to establish 1-party zoned service for rural customers in the Alma, Nebraska exchange.

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.

Applicant proposes to furnish 1-party service in the Alma rural area in place of the present multi-party service.

Applicant's present rate for business multi-party service is \$7.60 per month, and for residence multi-party service \$4.12 per month at its Alma exchange. The proposed one-party service is to be furnished by zones, the first two being approximately two miles each in width and the third zone comprising the balance of the exchange. Proposed rates are as follows:

	Zone I	Zone II	Zone II
Business 1 party	<u>\$11.60</u>	\$13 . 60	\$15.60
Residence 1 party	6.99	8.99	11.99

The present multi-party service would be discontinued when facilities for the improved services become available.

The proposed rates for zoned service as set forth above are less than rates computed using mileage charges in each of the three zones.

Upon consideration of the application and attending circumstances and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the application is fair and reasonable, is in the public interest and should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-287 be and it is hereby granted and the General Telephone Company of the Midwest be and it is hereby authorized to furnish zoned 1-party service at the Alma exchange as set forth in the Opinion and Findings herein, which by this reference is made a part hereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant charge and collect the rates set forth in the Opinion and Findings, which by this reference is made a part hereof, for one party rural service at its Alma, Nebraska exchange.

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

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 12th day of October, 1982.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC_SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

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Secretary