

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)
of Northwestern Bell Telephone)
Company, Omaha, Nebraska, for)
approval of pages of its Wide)
Area Telephone Service Tariff)

Application No. C-331

EMERGENCY AUTHORITY GRANTED

Entered: February 8, 1983

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By its application filed December 15, 1982, the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company, Omaha, Nebraska seeks approval of pages of its Wide Area Telephone Service Tariff.

Public hearing has been scheduled on this application for March 9, 1983.

On February 7, 1983, applicant filed an amendment to this application seeking that it be directed to "grandfather" the service known as Full Time Inward (800) and Outward Wide Area Telephone Service on an emergency basis until the Commission rules upon this matter following the March 9th hearing.

On January 27, 1983 the Federal Communications Commission ordered that telephone companies cannot refuse to provide Intrastate Wide Area Telephone Service lines to Other Common Carriers for use in completion of Interstate calls.

The action requested by this amendment would prohibit the sales of full time WATS lines as additions to or new installations for customers.

Applicant alleges that the present rates and structure of Wide Area Telephone Service, in particular the full time type, was not tarified with this type of high volume user in mind and would not be compensatory.

The Commission finds that an emergency does exist and applicant should be authorized to prohibit the sales of Full Time Inward (800) and Outward Wide Area Telephone Service as additions to or new installations for customers, effective on and after the date of this order.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that, an emergency having been found to exist, the Northwestern Bell Telephone Company be and it is hereby authorized to prohibit sales of Full Time Inward (800) and Outward Wide Area Telephone Service as additions to or new installations for customers effective on and after the date of this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of February, 1983.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Harold D. Simpson
Chairman

ATTEST:

John Z. Minigan
Acting Executive Secretary

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING: