

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Nebraska Public Service Commission.)	Application No. C-801
Relator,)	
vs.)	ORDER
The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company.)	
Respondent.)	Entered: September 10, 1991

Respondent, The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company, has filed its Request for Emergency Rate Order in this matter, seeking Commission approval of the suspension of toll charges for seven-digit direct-dialed calls placed to rural businesses located within the rural exchanges of Respondent's Lincoln and Hastings Common Service Areas.

1. On the basis of Respondent's verified Request, and contacts made directly with the Commission by a number of Respondent's business subscribers, the Commission finds that businesses located in the rural exchanges of Respondent's Lincoln and Hastings Common Service Areas are experiencing economic injury because a reduced number of incoming calls are being received by such businesses from subscribers who have opted out of EAS in large numbers and are unwilling to place toll calls to these rural businesses.

2. As a temporary measure to alleviate this economic injury, and due to the emergency which the Commission finds to exist at the present time, the Commission finds that the terms of its January 29, 1991 Order entered herein should be temporarily altered or suspended such that seven-digit direct-dialed calls from non-EAS subscribers to businesses located in the rural exchanges of Respondent's Lincoln and Hastings Common Service Areas shall not be subject to toll charges.

3. The Commission further finds that this emergency will be resolved at such time that business subscribers have the opportunity to have alternative billing arrangements published in their area telephone directories -- for Lincoln Common Service Area, December 1, 1991, and for Hastings Common Service Area, August 1, 1992.

4. The Commission further finds that Respondent should receive authority to broaden the arrangements described in paragraph 2 above to include such other rural business subscribers as in its reasonable discretion may be necessary, provided that Respondent provides the Commission with prior written notice of additional exchanges to which this arrangement shall apply.

SO ORDERED.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 10th day of
September, 1991.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



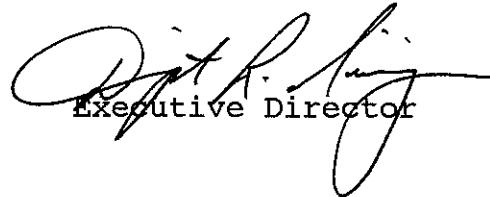
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//s//James F. Munnelly

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//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

ATTEST:


Executive Director