BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)) ;	Application	ı No.	C-8	367	
of Cable & Wireless Communications,))					
Inc., Vienna, Virginia, who seeks a)) (GRANTED				
Certificate of Public Convenience))					
and Necessity to provide inter-))					
exchange telecommunications services.))]	Entered: N	March	5,	199	1

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By its application filed November 16, 1990, Cable & Wireless Communications, Inc., of Vienna, Virginia, seeks authority for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.

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

Pursuant to notice required by law, public hearing was held on the application on January 29, 1991 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Upon consideration of the application, the evidence adduced at the hearing and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- 1. Applicant is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the District of Columbia, with its principal office located in Vienna, Virginia. Applicant is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cable & Wireless Public Limited Company of the United Kingdom. After 1981 when the Thatcher government privatized the parent company, Cable and Wireless became a worldwide telephone company. Previously it was a wholly owned government operation. Applicant is a separate corporation, separately financed from the ultimate parent company. Applicant's parent is in the business of offering global telecommunications services. Applicant is the United States subsidiary of its parent corporation dedicated to providing domestic and international services within and from the United States.
- 2. Mr. Charles A. Tievsky, Manager of the Legal and Regulatory Affairs division, testified for applicant. Applicant is currently operating in 38 states, with a couple of applications pending. Applicant has the technical background as it commenced service as a company called TDX which initially designed and constructed customer premises equipment intended for large communications users.

- 3. The applicant leases fiber facilities in Nebraska. Their service is provided primarily to large companies with multiple offices. Some of those companies have indicated an interest in using the service in Omaha.
- 4. Applicant testified that deposits may be required from new customers. A new customer might pay a deposit of two months of average projected usage. However, the applicant did not anticipate requiring any customers in Nebraska to have to provide a deposit initially because many already have accounts with them elsewhere. Applicant testified that a bond could be provided if the Commission deemed it necessary.
- 6. Applicant stated that Cable and Wireless North America, through Cable and Wireless plc, would be providing the capital for this business. For the fiscal year ending March 31, 1990, applicant had profits of \$19,800,000.
- 5. 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-867 be and it is hereby granted and Cable & Wireless Communications Inc., Vienna, Virginia be and it is hereby authorized to provide interLATA interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order be and it s hereby made the Commission's official Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to furnish the service authorized herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 5th day of March 1991.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Frank E. Landis, Jr

//s//James F. Munnelly

//s//Eric Rasmussen

ATTEST: