

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the matter of the Amended) Application No. C-893
Application of NEDELCO,)
INCORPORATED d/b/a Hamilton)
Telecommunications, for authority)
to offer and provide interLATA) GRANTED
and intraLATA interexchange)
telecommunications services and)
to become an operator service)
provider.) Entered: September 10, 1991

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By its application filed June 29, 1991, NEDELCO, Inc., d/b/a Hamilton Telecommunications, Aurora, Nebraska seeks authority to offer and provide interLATA and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services and to become an operator service provider. This application was amended on September 10, 1991 to exclude IntraLATA interexchange services in LATA number 958.

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. A petition of Formal Intervention was filed by The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company and subsequently withdrawn by the intervenor.

Inasmuch as no protests have been filed, and the Commission's prior familiarity with the applicant, the application can be processed administratively under the Commission's modified procedure, Rule 018.03.

Upon consideration of the amended application and subsequent motions the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

1. Applicant is a corporation doing business as Hamilton Telecommunications existing under the laws of the state of Nebraska. Its principle place of business is in Aurora, Nebraska. Applicant provides local exchange service in Hamilton County, Clay, York, Adams and Hall Counties under the authority granted to it by the Nebraska Railway Commission.

2. Applicant proposes to provide long distance services which make use of existing facilities of the other certificated local exchange carriers and interexchange carriers. Generally the applicant will purchase 800 services, WATS services, T1 or similar services from other carriers and resell those services at rate comparable to AT&T standard MTS rates or less. The Applicant is not asking for intraLATA interexchange services in LATA 958. Applicant is asking for interLATA authority, operator services, and intraLATA authority excluding the interexchange services in LATA number 958. Security deposits are not required for services rendered by customers.

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3. Annual reports for the Applicant were on file at the Commission for the past decade and reflect a strong stable financial situation. The company possesses the technical wherewithal to provide the service and the proposed service would primarily use existing communication facilities and do so more efficiently. The service will provide increased consumer choice in services and rates and the services provided will be of the highest quality.

4. The rate list filed with the application indicates competitive rates. Applicant intends to provide service in most equal access converted end offices throughout the state, excluding the interexchange services in LATA number 958.

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-893 be and it is hereby granted and Hamilton Telecommunications of Aurora, Nebraska, seeks authority for a certificate of interexchange service authority to offer and provide Interlake and IntraLATA interexchange telecommunication services and to become an operator service provider within the state of Nebraska excluding the interexchange services in LATA 958.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant shall file in accordance with the applicable statutes an annual report with this Commission consisting of (1) a copy of any report filed with the Federal Communication Commission, (2) the annual report to stockholders and (3) for the state of Nebraska on a combined interstate-intrastate basis, the investment in telephone plant and equipment located within the state, accumulated depreciation thereon, operating revenues, operating expenses and taxes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order be and it is 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 10th day of September 1991.

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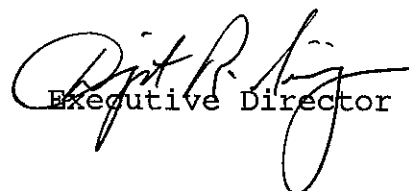

Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



//s//Duane D. Gay
//s//Frank E. Landis, Jr.
//s//James F. Munnelly
//s//Eric Rasmussen

ATTEST:


Executive Director