## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of ) Application No. C-959
US West Communications, Inc., Omaha, )
Nebraska which seeks authorization ) GRANTED ()
for depreciation rate changes in )
Nebraska. )
Entered: December 22, 1992

## BY THE COMMISSION

By application filed October 29, 1992, US WEST Communications Company, Inc. ("US West"), Omaha, Nebraska seeks authorization from the Nebraska Public Service Commission to revise its depreciation rates as they affect certain physical plant facilities used by US West. The applicant is a telecommunications common carrier operating in intrastate commerce and is subject to the jurisdiction of and regulation by the Commission as to rates, service, and its general control.

The Omaha Daily Record published notice of the application October 30, 1992 in accordance with the Commission's procedural requirements. No one filed a protest. The application is therefore processed as provided by the modified procedure rule set forth in Title 291 Neb. Admin. Reg. Ch. 1, Rule 018.03.

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon consideration of the application, the supporting documentation supplied by US West, and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds:

- 1. On April 14, 1987, the Commission entered Order No. C-664 which adopted certain depreciation procedures establishing a triennial review of common carriers, including the applicant. This application was filed pursuant to the earlier order.
- 2. US West asserts in its application, that the proposed revised depreciation rates are based on depreciation parameter agreements reached at the 3-way triennial meeting held in Denver, Colorado on June 16-18, 1992.
- 3. The remaining life depreciation rates found in the tables provided by US West, attached to and made a part of this order, shall be the depreciation rates approved by this Commission effective on and after January 1, 1993.

After review, the application is fair and reasonable, will not harm the public interest, and should be granted.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-959 be, and it is hereby, granted

and US West Communications Company, Inc., Omaha, Nebraska shall conform itself to the depreciation rates attached to and made a part of this order.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the approved depreciation rates shall become effective on and after January 1, 1993.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 22nd day of December, 1992.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING

//s//Frank E. Landis, Jrv

//s//James F. Munnelly //s//Eric Rasmussen

ATTEST:

Executive Director