# BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of ) Application No. C-1299 GlobalOne, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois,) seeking authority to operate as a re-) GRANTED sale common carrier of telecommunica-) tions services within the state of ) Nebraska. Entered: June 12, 1996

### APPEARANCES:

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### PRELIMINARY MATTERS

GlobalOne, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois filed an application with the Commission on March 1, 1996. The company seeks authority to obtain a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska. The applicant's business address is noted above. Notice of the application appeared in the Omaha Daily Record, March 6, 1996. GlobalOne appeared before the Commission for a video-conference hearing, chaired by Commissioner Rod Johnson, May 14, 1996 in the Commission Library, Lincoln, Nebraska.

# BY THE COMMISSION

#### OPINION AND FINDINGS

Upon consideration of the application, the governing statutes and rules<sup>1</sup>, the evidence adduced at the May 14, 1996 hearing, and being fully informed, the Commission is of the opinion and finds:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Interexchange reseller application are governed by Neb. Rev. Stats. 75-604 and 86-805 (Cum. Supp. 1994 and 1994 Reissue, respectively) and Title 291 Neb. Admin. Regs. Ch. 5, Rule 003.12.

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Nebraska was divided into three Local Access Transport Areas ("LATAs") as a result of the terms of the Modification of Final Judgement (the "MFJ") issued in the AT&T divestiture case. United States v. American Telephone & Telegraph Co., F.Supp. 131 (D.D.C. 1982), aff'd sub nom., California v. United States, 460 U.S. 1001 (1983) and United States v. American Telephone & Telegraph Co., 569 F.Supp. 990 (D.D.C. 1983) aff'd sub nom., California v. United States, 460 U.S. 1001 (1983).

While Neb. Rev. Stat. 75-604, by its language, refers to local exchange service, the Nebraska Supreme Court in Northwestern Bell Telephone v. Consolidated Telephone Co., 180 Neb. 268, 142 N.W.2d 324 (1966) held that long distance service is also subject to the provisions of the statute. This was recognized by the Legislature in LB 835 (LAWS 1986) because interexchange services (which include resellers) in Sec. 86-805 (part of LB 835) are referenced to in Sec. 75-604. For this reason, the Commission distinguishes between intraLATA and interLATA resale when deciding reseller applications.

Ms. Christina Weiksnar of GlobalOne, testified. Ms. Weiksnar stated, and the pleadings reflect, the applicant seeks both intraLATA and interLATA authority. The application does seek authority to provide Alternate Operator Services (AOS). GlobalOne incorporated in the state of Illinois on May 3, 1995. The applicant is a privately-held corporation.

The applicant has received authority to operate in approximately nine (9) states and currently has applications pending in thirty-nine (39) states. No formal complaints or other investigatory or enforcement proceedings involving the business operations of GlobalOne, its officers, directors, shareholders or principals, have been initiated by a state commission. No state has denied GlobalOne a certificate of authority.

GlobalOne will use AT&T, MCI, and WorldCom as its underlying carrier. GlobalOne proposes to offer 1+, 800 services and calling card services. GlobalOne's services are provided to both residential and business customers.

The applicant follows FCC rules and regulations and has a policy against slamming. A written LOA is required before a change in provider is initiated.

The applicant provides a toll-free 800 number for customer service, twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The customer service toll-free number is displayed on GlobalOne's bill.

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Financial information was provided to the Commission in the application. The statements reflect the company is capable of offering service within the state.

Based on the testimony, the exhibits, and the proposed tariff, the applicant has provided the requisite information, has demonstrated its financial resources, and has proven to be technically competent to provide service. 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-1299 be, and it is hereby, granted and GlobalOne, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois is hereby authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interexchange intraLATA and interLATA telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file, in accordance with the applicable statutes on or before April 30th of each year, an annual report with this Commission consisting of (a) a copy of any report filed with the Federal Communications Commission, (b) a copy of any annual report to stockholders, (c) a copy of the latest Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, (d) balance sheet and income statements for the previous year of operation and (e) 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 applicant file an updated tariff prior to offering service pursuant to the certificate granted in this order.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order be, and it is hereby made the Commission's official certificate of authority to furnish the service authorized herein as a common carrier.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 12th day of June, 1996.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Lowell C. Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//James F. Munnelly
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

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ATTEST:

Executive Director