

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-1353
of Gateway Technologies, Inc.,)
of Carrollton, Texas, seeking)
authority to operate as a resale) GRANTED
common carrier of telecommuni-)
cation services for provision of)
specialized inmate telecommunica-)
tions services within the state)
of Nebraska.) Entered: September 17, 1996

APPEARANCES:

For the Applicant:
None

For the Commission Staff:
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BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

By application filed June 3, 1996, Gateway Technologies, Inc., of Carrollton, Texas, seeks authority to provide intraLATA and interLATA resold telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in the Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 5, 1996, pursuant to the rules of the Commission. No protests were filed. Hearing on the application was held by video communication on August 6, 1996.

Applicant produced one witness, Nancy Lee, who testified: She is chief financial officer and vice president of administration for applicant. No employees nor equipment will be located in Nebraska until a contract is reached with a correctional institution. Applicant seeks to offer service to inmates in correctional institutions. Customer complaints can be registered by calling an 800 number of either the billing company or Gateway. Business is solicited through national organizations of correctional personnel. Some complaints have been registered by inmates' families. All complaints have been resolved. All calls will be collect calls billed through a billing company. Applicant resells services of LDDS/WorldCom. Generally, county governments contract for the service.

Interexchange reseller applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. 75-604 and 86-805 and Title 291 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Rule 003.12. From examination of the application filed herein and the

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testimony adduced at the hearing, the Commission finds applicant has provided all the information required by the Commission; possesses adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service, and possesses adequate technical competency to provide the proposed service. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE Nebraska Public Service that Application Number C-1353 be, and it is hereby, granted and Gateway Technologies, Inc., Carrollton, Texas, is hereby authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interexchange intraLATA and interLATA telecommunications services for the purposes of providing specialized inmate telecommunications services for correctional institutions 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) a balance sheet and income statement 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 its current 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.


MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 17th day of September, 1996.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



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

Chairman 

ATTEST:


Executive Director