

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission on) Application No. C-1415
its Own Motion to Investigate US)
West Communications' Cost to)
Establish Rates for Interconnection,) Procedural Schedule
Unbundled Network Elements, Trans-) Adopted
port and Termination and Resale)
Services.) Entered: December 2, 1997

BY THE COMMISSION:

In September 1996, the Commission opened this docket as a generic proceeding to examine US West Communications' (US West) costs to establish rates for interconnection, unbundled elements, transport and termination, and resold services. The Commission has currently established interim interconnection rates in arbitration proceedings related to US West's costs. The interconnection agreements provide for a retroactive "true-up" to correct any interim rates which cause improper compensation to be made to either party.

It is in the public interest that the Commission move forward with this process and establish permanent interconnection rates for US West as expeditiously as possible. Thus, we adopt the following schedule to proceed with this matter:

1. All parties in this proceeding should file direct testimony by April 14, 1998.
2. Reply testimony, if necessary, shall be filed by April 28, 1998.
3. Public hearings on this matter will begin at 9:30 a.m. on May 19, 1998, in the Commission Hearing Room.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the proposed procedural schedule set forth herein be adopted.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 2nd day of December, 1997.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER CONCURRING:

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Ann C. Boyle

//s//Rod Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

Chairman *Rod Johnson*

ATTEST:

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