## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Aliant () Application No. C-1530 Midwest, Inc of Lincoln, Nebraska, () seeking authority to invoke Section () 252(i) of the Telecommunications () Act of 1996 to utilize the () Interconnection Arbitrated Interconnection Agree- () Agreement Approved () ment between US West Communica- () tions, Inc. and TCG Omaha in the () State of Nebraska. () Entered: June 11, 1997

BY THE COMMISSION

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

On April 24, 1997, Aliant Midwest, Inc. of Lincoln, Nebraska filed an application requesting authority to invoke Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to utilize the arbitrated agreement between US West Communications, Inc. (US West) and TCG Omaha (TCG). Notice of the application was published in <a href="#">The Daily Record</a> on April 25, 1997. No protests were filed; therefore, this application has been administered pursuant to the Commission's modified procedure rule.

Midwest obtained a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service from the Commission pursuant to Application C-1440 on March 10, 1997. Section 252(i) allows a certified local exchange carrier to adopt an approved interconnection agreement. Midwest seeks to adopt the TCG/US interconnection agreement that was approved the Commission pursuant to Application C-1379 on June 4, 1997.

On May 28, 1997, the Commission added language to its mediation/arbitration policy which stated the procedures for a Section 252(i) request. Aliant Midwest has followed all of the procedures require by the Commission's arbitration/mediation policy. In addition, Aliant Midwest filed a local exchange tariff with the Commission on May 30, 1997.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application C-1530 is hereby approved and Aliant Midwest is authorized to adopt the arbitrated agreement between US West Communications, Inc. and TCG Omaha.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Aliant Midwest's adoption of the arbitrated agreement between US West Communications, Inc. and TCG Omaha be effective on June 16, 1997.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 11th day of June, 1997.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

//s//Rod Johnson

Executive Director

//s//Frank E. Landis