

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-1542
of Coleman Enterprises, Inc., dba)
Local Long Distance, of St. Paul,)
Minnesota, seeking authority to) DENIED
operate as a resale common car-)
rier of telecommunication ser-)
vices within the state of)
Nebraska.) Entered: September 9, 1997

APPEARANCES:

For the Applicant:
None

For the Commission Staff:
Hal Hasselbalch, Staff
300 The Atrium
Lincoln, Nebraska 68508

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

By application filed May 12, 1997, Coleman Enterprises, Inc., dba Local Long Distance, of St. Paul, Minnesota, 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 May 13, 1997, pursuant to the rules of the Commission. No protests were filed. Hearing on the application was held by video communication on August 5, 1997.

Applicant produced one witness, Daniel G. Coleman, who testified: He is president of applicant. The application filed is accurate. Applicant has authority in ten states and has applications pending in 22 others. Applicant seeks to offer 1+ dialing long distance service using Sprint as its underlying carrier. The service is sold through telemarketing. A copy of the script is shown as Exhibit 1. Applicant charges 25-cents-per-minute flat rate. A \$2.50 service fee is charged on accounts that are less than \$25 per month. Above that threshold, there is no fee. Billing is done through the local exchange carrier. Applicant has been in business one and one-half years and expects to be profitable soon. No complaints have been filed against applicant in any state.

During the taking of testimony, the Commission requested that applicant furnish a certified financial statement, updating the financial information furnished in the application, and provide a break-even analysis. Those documents were also requested in letters dated July 3, 1997, and August 15, 1997. Applicant failed to provide the required documentation.

Application No. C-1542

Page 2

Interexchange reseller applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. Sections 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 testimony adduced at the hearing, the Commission finds applicant has not provided all the information required by the Commission; and that there is no showing applicant possesses adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service. The application should be denied.

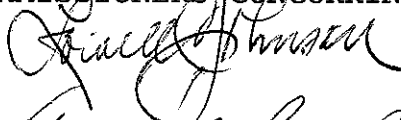

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application Number C-1542 be, and it is hereby, denied.


MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9th day of September, 1997.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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

Chairman 

ATTEST:


Executive Director