

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. C-1567
Insurance Information Exchange,)
L.L.C. of College Station, Texas,)
seeking authority to operate as a)
resale carrier of intrastate) GRANTED
interLATA and intraLATA)
interexchange telecommunications)
services within the state of)
Nebraska.) Entered: August 26, 1997

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 24, 1997, Insurance Information Exchange, L.L.C. (IIE) of College Station, Texas, seeks authority to provide intraLATA and interLATA interexchange telecommunications services in Nebraska. Notice of the application appeared in the The Daily Record on June 26, 1997. No protests were filed; therefore, this application was administered pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

IIE is a 99 percent owned subsidiary of AMS Services, Inc. Applicant was organized in the state of Delaware as a corporation on November 18, 1996. Applicant has received authority to operate in approximately nine states and plans to become certificated in 48 states. No state has denied applicant a certificate of authority.

The initial underlying carrier for the services will be WorldCom. The company's name and customer service number are printed on all its bills. In addition, IIE has a toll-free 800 number for customer service, which operates seven days a week, 24 hours a day. The toll free number for calling card service will be set forth on each individual card.

IIE will offer 1+, travel card and directory assistance services statewide to both residential and business customers.

Financials submitted by the applicant indicate a net loss from operations of \$2,313,219 for the three months ending March 31, 1997. Staff made additional inquiries of the company to ascertain financial fitness. The applicant presented financials of its parent, AMS Services, Inc. for the previous three years of operations. Applicant also provided a business plan and financial forecasts for its operations.

The staff's review of the applicant's business plan indicates profitability will be achieved during the latter half of 1998. The underlying assumptions and strategies presented in the business plan for profitability appear reasonable. A review of the holding company's financials indicate that the company has a net loss of \$1,504,160 as of year ending December 31, 1996. This net loss has been substantially reduced from \$3,305,152 since year ending December 31, 1995. Total revenues have increased to \$158,894,781 as of year ending 1996 versus \$142,111,851 for 1995, an 11.8 percent increase.

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, the Commission finds: 1) Applicant has provided all the information required by the Commission; 2) Applicant has access to adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service; 3) Applicant possesses adequate technical competency to provide the proposed service; and 4) The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1567 be, and it is hereby, granted and Insurance Information Exchange, L.L.C. 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 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 an updated tariff within thirty days.

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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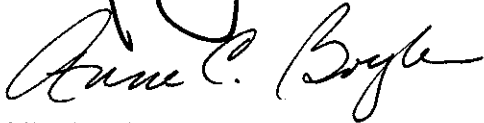
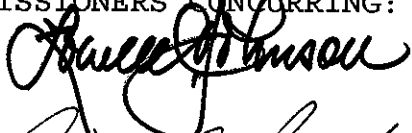
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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 26th day of August, 1997.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



//s//Rod Johnson

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

Chairman



ATTEST:



Executive Director

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