

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. C-1607
Cypress Telecommunications Corpo-)
ration, of Houston, Texas, seeking)
authority to operate as a resale)
carrier of intrastate interLATA and) Granted
intraLATA interexchange telecommu-)
nications services within the state)
of Nebraska.) Entered: September 30, 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 August 11, 1997, Cypress Telecommunications Corporation, (Cytel) of Houston, Texas seeks authority to provide intraLATA and interLATA interexchange telecommunications services in Nebraska. Notice of the application appeared in The Daily Record on August 13, 1997. No protests were filed; therefore, this application was administered pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

Cytel was organized in the state of Texas as a corporation on May 17, 1984. Applicant has authority to operate in 24 states and plans to become certificated in 19 additional states. No state has denied applicant a certificate of authority.

Cytel's communications network in Nebraska will utilize the telecommunications facilities of WORLDXCHANGE, USLD, Qwest, and Caprock. The company's name and customer service number are printed on all its bills. In addition, Cytel has a toll-free 800 number for customer service, which operates Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 6:00 pm central time.

Cytel will offer inbound and outbound switched and dedicated services, and travel card services statewide to both residential and business customers.

Financials submitted by the applicant indicated a net loss from operations for the periods ending 1995 and 1996. Staff made additional inquiries of the company by requesting latest interim statements. The latest interim financial statements presented for the period ending March 31, 1997, reflect that profitability has been achieved.

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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 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-1607 be, and it is hereby, granted and Cypress Telecommunications Corporation, 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.

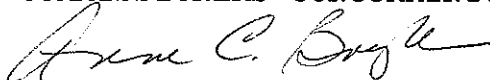
IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order be, and it is hereby made, the Commission's official certificate of authority to furnish the service authorized herein as a common carrier.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 30th day of
September, 1997.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



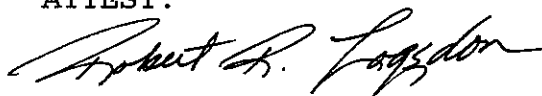
//s//Lowell C. Johnson

//s//Frank E. Landis

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Vice Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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