

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. C-1633
Public Service Commission on)
its own motion to conduct an) Investigation Opened/
investigation to determine which) Cost Models to be Filed
cost study model should be recom-)
mended to the FCC for determining)
federal universal service support.) Entered: September 23, 1997

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in Docket CC 96-45 provided that state commissions may select a cost model to be used for the purpose of determining federal universal service support. On July 29, 1997, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC) informed the FCC of its intent to select such a cost model.

We open this docket to select a cost model for the above described purposes. All parties interested in having the NPSC review its proposed cost model must submit it and all relevant data to the NPSC on or before October 3, 1997.

An informational cost model workshop will be held on October 9 and 10, 1997, in the Commission Hearing Room and on October 16, 1997, if necessary. The workshop will be used to receive brief presentations from each cost model proponent and to address questions to each presenter. Any cost model proponent wanting the NPSC to review their cost model must appear at these workshops.

We find that all certificated carriers in Nebraska have an interest in this proceeding. Therefore, all certificated carriers are hereby made a party to this docket. All other interested persons must timely notify the Commission of their interest to intervene as set forth in the Commission's Rules of Procedure.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that all cost models to be considered by the Nebraska Public Service Commission to determine federal universal service support must be filed on or before October 3, 1997.

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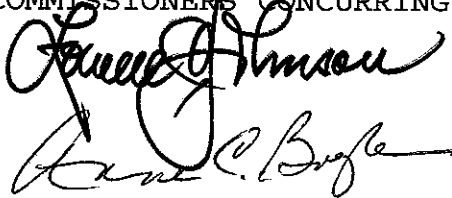
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an informational cost model workshop will be held on October 9 and 10, 1997, at 9:30 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room. If necessary, the session will be continued to October 16, 1997.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 23rd day of September, 1997.


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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

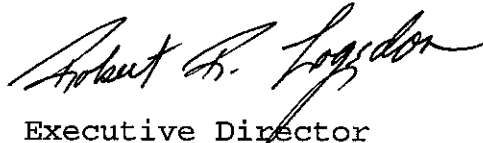


//s//Rod Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

Chairman



ATTEST:



Executive Director