

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of the) Application No. C-1665
Residents of Winside, served by)
NebCom, requesting Extended Area) Dismissed
Service to the Wayne Exchange,)
served by US West Communications.) Entered: May 27, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION

This application, filed by the residents of the Winside exchange, requests authority for extended area service (EAS) from the Winside exchange in Winside, Nebraska, to the Wayne exchange in Wayne, Nebraska. Winside is served by NebCom, while Wayne is served by US West.

The application was verified by the Commission staff to have the requisite number of signatures on October 24, 1997. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on October 28, 1997. Usage studies showed that sufficient traffic was carried from Winside to Wayne to process the application.

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

Pursuant to Nebraska Public Service Commission Rule 002.27B2e, NebCom filed a proposed EAS additive for the Winside exchange. The proposed EAS additive was \$9.38 per line to call Wayne only, or \$14.62 per line to call both Wayne and Norfolk.

Ballots were sent to subscribers on or about April 10, 1998, with responses due no later than May 11, 1998. Of the customers voting for EAS to Wayne, 122 customers voted no, while 38 customers voted yes. Of those voting for EAS to Wayne and Norfolk, 115 voted no and 79 voted yes.

Since less than 50 percent of the customers voted in favor of the EAS proposal, pursuant to Commission Rules, the EAS plan will not go into effect. Further, according to Commission Rule 002.27B3b, the customer survey for EAS need not be taken again for twenty-four months.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1665 be, and it is hereby, dismissed.

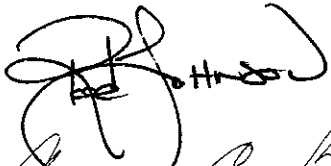
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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 27th day of May, 1998.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

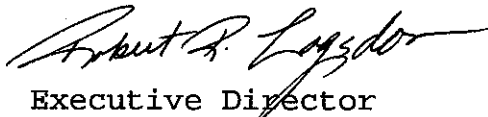
NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



//s//Lowell C. Johnson
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director