

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application ) Application No. C-1671  
of New Media Telecommunications, )  
Inc., of LaJolla, California, )  
seeking authority to operate as a ) GRANTED  
resale carrier of intrastate )  
interLATA and intraLATA )  
interexchange telecommunications )  
services within the state of )  
Nebraska. ) Entered: December 23, 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 October 24, 1997, New Media Telecommunications, Inc. ("New Media" or "Applicant") of LaJolla, California, seeks authority to provide interLATA and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services in Nebraska. Notice of the application appeared in The Daily Record on October 28, 1997. No protests were filed; therefore, this application was administered pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

New Media was incorporated under the laws of the state of Delaware on January 16, 1996, and received its certificate of authority to transact business in Nebraska as a foreign corporation on October 17, 1997. New Media is in the process of obtaining required authority to operate in all states. To date, New Media is certificated to provide service in 22 states. No state has denied applicant a certificate of authority.

Applicant's communications network in Nebraska will utilize the telecommunications facilities of WorldCom and other carriers certificated with the Commission. The company's name and customer service number are printed on all its bills. In addition, applicant has a toll-free 800 number for customer service.

Applicant will offer prepaid card services statewide to both residential and business customers.

Due to the time frame of incorporation, annual financial statements for the previous three years of operations were not available. Financials submitted by the applicant indicated an accumulated deficit during the development stage of \$4,618,667.

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The financials indicate that sales in excess of \$6.8 million have been achieved during the first half of 1997. Staff made additional inquiries of the company to ascertain financial fitness. The applicant presented projected income statements through 1998.

The staff review of the applicant's projections indicates breakeven will be achieved during early 1998. The underlying projections for profitability appear reasonable.

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-1671 be, and it is hereby, granted and New Media Telecommunications, Inc. is hereby authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interexchange inter-LATA and intraLATA 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 and, (c) a copy of the latest Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. If applicant is unable to file items (a), (b) and (c), it shall submit a copy of its balance sheet and income statement for the previous year of operation and schedules showing telephone plant and equipment located within the state, accumulated depreciation thereon, operating revenues, operating expenses, and taxes applicable to Nebraska operations or a statement that no operations were conducted.

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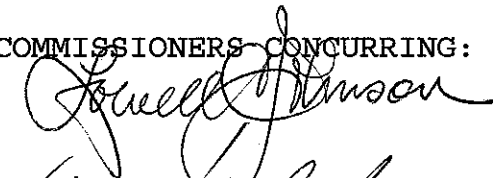
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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file a tariff within thirty days.

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.

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


COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



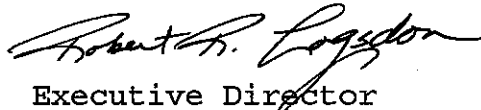
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NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman



ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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