BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of the Nebraska Public Service Commission Communications Department seeking an order to cease and desist operations and to revoke the certificates of public convenience and neces-) sity issued to American Teletronics Long Distance, Inc.; Primus Telecommunications, Inc.; and TotalTel, Inc.) (fka TotalTel USA Comm, Inc.).

Application No. C-1813 Departmental Complaint 26

Complaint Dismissed In Part and Set For Hearing

Entered: June 9, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

The complaint in caption seeks an order revoking the intrastate operating authority of each of the defendants for failing to file an annual report pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 86-807 (Reissue 1994).

A copy of the complaint was mailed to each defendant via certified mail.

The defendants are telecommunications companies generally regulated by the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. Sections 75-101 et seq. (Reissue 1996) and 86-801 to 86-811 (Supp. 1997). These companies are also governed by Title 291, NAC Ch. 5 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

As part of its regulatory authority and pursuant to Section 86-807, the Commission, through its Communications Department (Department), requires telecommunications companies to file an annual report with the Commission on or before April 30th of each year.

The defendants were notified by the Department two times by first class mail that the annual report was due on or before April The first letter was dated January 12, 1998, and the 30, 1998. second April 1, 1998.

The Commission finds that Primus Telecommunications, satisfied the requirements within a reasonably acceptable time frame, considering uncontrollable delays in actual delivery. fore, Primus Telecommunications, Inc. should be granted leniency and be dismissed from the complaint.

Primus Telecommunications, Inc. has complied with the provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 86-807 (Reissue 1994) and has satisfactorily remitted an annual report for the year 1997; therefore, the defendant should be dismissed from this complaint and should not be required to appear before the Commission for a hearing on August 4, 1998.

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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that a public hearing is set for August 4, 1998, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. All defendants who have not been dismissed from this complaint are to appear before the Commission for the public hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Primus Telecommunications, Inc. be, and it is hereby, dismissed from the departmental complaint and need not appear at the August 4, 1998, hearing.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9th day of June, 1998.

COMMISSIONER CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST.

Executive Director