BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of US West) Application No. C-1830		
Communications, Inc., filing)		
its notice of intention to file)		
Section 271(c) application) LIMITED PARTY		
with the FCC and request for) STATUS GRANTED		
Commission to verify US West)		
compliance with Section 271(c).) Entered: August 1, 2000		

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On July 25, 2000, Eschelon TelCom, Inc.(Eschelon) filed a Petition for Leave to Intervene with this Commission in Docket No. C-1830.

Eschelon is currently certificated as an interexchange carrier in the state of Nebraska and has an application to provide competitive local exchange service pending. According to its petition, Eschelon has knowledge and expertise that will assist the Commission and the parties in addressing the issues presented in this proceeding.

Eschelon understands that it seeks to enter this proceeding in an untimely manner and is willing to participate in a limited party status on a going-forward basis. Eschelon's appearance and participation, therefore, will not unreasonably broaden the issues, burden the record, or unreasonably delay this proceeding.

Therefore, being fully informed of the premises herein, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that good cause exists for the Commission to authorize Eschelon to intervene herein as a limited party as previously outlined in this docket.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Eschelon TelCom, Inc. is hereby granted limited party status as previously outlined in this docket.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 1st day of August, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONER CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Director

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