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) POST HEARING BRIEF FILING
Section 271(c) application) DEADLINE ESTABLISHED
with the FCC and request for)
Commission to verify US West)
compliance with Section 271(c).) Entered: September 29, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On September 9-10, 1999, Commission held a hearing in this docket on whether US West has satisfied the requirements of Section 271 checklist items 1, 4, 5 and 6. At the conclusion of the hearing, the Commission stated that post-hearing briefs shall be submitted no later than 10 business days following the Commission's receipt of the September 9-10 hearing transcript.

At the hearing, Commission staff requested that US West submit a late-filed exhibit. The Commission indicated that parties would be afforded an opportunity to respond to the late-filed exhibit. The Commission received this exhibit on September 27, 1999.

In order to allow parties sufficient time to respond to US West's late-filed exhibit, the Commission should extend this previously stated deadline. Further, the FCC is expected to release its unbundled network elements (UNE) combination order within the next few days. This order could effect the Commission's ruling in the present application. As such, in the post hearing briefs parties should identify the effect of such order on this proceeding, should it be released. For these reasons, the Commission is of the opinion that post-hearing briefs be filed with the Commission no later than October 20, 1999.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that all post-hearing briefs following the September 9-10, 1999 hearing in this docket be filed with the Commission on or before October 20, 1999.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 29th day of September, 1999.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Director