BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of US West Communi-)	Application No.	C-1830
cations, Inc., Denver, Colorado,)		
filing its notice of intention to)		
file its Section 271(c) application)	PROCEDURAL ORDER	NO. 16
with the FCC and request for the)		
the Commission to verify US West)		
compliance with Section 271(c).)	Entered: June 5,	2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On May 18, 2001, Qwest Corporation, formerly known as US West Communications, Inc. (Qwest), submitted a "Supplemental Section 271 Application Seeking Approval of Checklist Item 13" and a supporting brief that seeks approval of Qwest's compliance with the requirements of 47 U.S.C. §271(c)(2)(b)(xiii).

At the time of the Commission's April 9, 1999, order in this matter, there remained an open legal issue regarding the payment of reciprocal compensation for internet service traffic. Accordingly, the Commission requested that Qwest submit monthly reports to show the amount of traffic exchanged between companies. Finally, the Commission indicated it would continue to address the reciprocal compensation issue within its Docket No. C-1960/PI-25. Now that Docket C-1960/PI-25 has been resolved and closed, the issue is ripe for decision in this docket.

In consideration of the recent filing by Qwest of its "Supplemental Section 271 Application Seeking Approval of Checklist Item 13" and its supporting brief, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that interested parties should be allowed an opportunity to comment. Therefore, interested parties shall file reply comments on or before June 26, 2001.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that interested parties shall file reply comments on or before June 26, 2001. Pursuant to Commission policy, parties commenting shall file five (5) hard copies, and one (1) electronic copy on disk in WordPerfect 5.0 or later format.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 5th day of June, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMASSIONERS CONCURRING:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s/ Frank E. Landis