

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-1891
of USBG, Inc. of Alsip, Illinois,)
seeking authority to obtain a)
Certificate of Public Convenience)
and Necessity to transact the) GRANTED
business of a reseller of)
interexchange telecommunications)
services within the state of)
Nebraska and for approval of its)
initial tariff.) Entered: October 7, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed August 28, 1998, USBG, Inc., (Applicant) of Alsip, Illinois, seeks authority to provide intraLATA and inter-LATA resold interexchange telecommunications services in Nebraska. Notice of the application appeared in The Daily Record on September 4, 1998. No protests were filed. Therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

USBG, Inc., is a privately-held company organized under the laws of Illinois April 23, 1997, to present. Applicant plans to offer 1+ interexchange telecommunications including MTS, in-WATS and out-WATS services on a resale basis throughout Nebraska. Applicant filed evidence demonstrating its technical and financial competency.

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.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1891 be, and it is hereby, granted and USBG, Inc. is hereby authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interexchange intraLATA and interLATA 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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file its current tariff prior to offering service pursuant to the certificate granted in this order.

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 7th day of October, 1998.

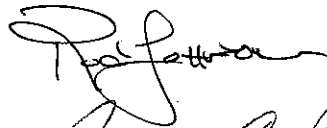

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director



//s//Lowell C. Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller