

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the joint Appli-) Application No. C-1893
cation of GCC License Corporation)
(Western Wireless) of Issaquah,)
Washington, and Blair Telephone) INTERCONNECTION
Company of Blair, Nebraska,) AGREEMENT APPROVED
jointly seeking approval of their)
voluntarily negotiated inter-)
connection agreement.) Entered: October 20, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On August 31, 1998, GCC License Corporation (Western Wireless) and Blair Telephone Company, jointly filed an application seeking approval of their voluntarily negotiated interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record on September 4, 1998. The Nebraska Independent Telephone Association filed comments on Western Wireless and Blair Telephone Company's interconnection agreement. No protests were filed. Therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Western Wireless and Blair Telephone Company entered into a master resale interconnection agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of the voluntarily negotiated interconnection agreement is contained within the application.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Section 252(e) of the Act requires this Commission to review negotiated interconnection agreements to ensure they comply with Sections 251 and 252(d) of the Act, as well as all applicable state laws. Using those standards, the interconnection agreement filed August 31, 1998, should be approved.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the voluntarily negotiated interconnection agreement between GCC License Corporation (Western Wireless) and Blair Telephone Company be, and it is hereby, approved.

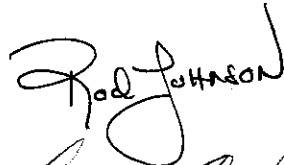
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed interconnection agreement filed herein be, and it is hereby, made the official copy on file with the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20th day of October, 1998.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:


Chairman





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

ATTEST:


Executive Director