

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-1966
of U.S. Operators, Inc. of)
San Antonio, Texas, seeking)
authority to operate as a resale) GRANTED
common carrier of telecommunica-)
tions services, including)
operator services within the)
state of Nebraska.) Entered: February 9, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed December 30, 1998, U.S. Operators, Inc. (Applicant) of San Antonio, Texas, seeks authority to provide intraLATA and interLATA resold interexchange telecommunications services including operator services in Nebraska. Notice of the application appeared in The Daily Record on December 31, 1998. No protests were filed; therefore, this application was administered 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

Applicant is a privately-held corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Texas on October 21, 1997. Applicant has received authority to transact business in Nebraska. Applicant plans to offer a full range of "1+", "0+", "0-" and operator services throughout Nebraska. Applicant's services will primarily originate at locations where callers require operator assistance, or alternate billing arrangements. Therefore, the services will be offered at locations such as private pay telephones, hotels/motels, hospitals and education institutions. Applicant filed evidence demonstrating its technical and financial competency.

Interexchange reseller applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 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-1966 be, and it is hereby, granted and U.S. Operators, Inc. is hereby authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interexchange intraLATA and inter-LATA telecommunications services and operator 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 9th day of February, 1999.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Lowell C. Johnson

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Chairman

ATTEST:

Ann C. Boyle

Robert H. Logsdon
Executive Director

//s//Lowell C. Johnson
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