BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the joint) Application No. C-2050
application of the voluntarily-)
negotiated interconnection and)
resale agreement between Dakota) INTERCONNECTION
Services Limited, Waukesha, Wis-) AGREEMENT APPROVED
consin and United Telephone)
Company of the West d/b/a)
Sprint, Overland Park, Kansas.) Entered: June 22, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On May 5, 1999, Dakota Services Limited (Dakota Services) of Waukesha, Wisconsin, and United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a Sprint (Sprint), Overland Park, Kansas, filed a joint application seeking approval of its voluntarily negotiated interconnection and resale agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record on May 19, 1999, pursuant to the Commission rules. protests were filed; therefore, this application will be processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure. to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Dakota Services and Sprint entered into an interconnection and resale agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. After reviewing the interconnection agreement, the Commission finds and concludes that neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier that is not a Furthermore, the implementation of the party to the agreement. agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Section 252(e) of the Act mandates 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 May 5, 1999, should be approved.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement between Dakota Services and Sprint be, and is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an electronic copy of the final interconnection agreement be filed on or before July 6, 1999.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 22nd day of June 1999.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

ATTEST:

Executive Directo

//s//Lowell C. Johnson