BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, to estab-) Application No. C-2081)
lish procedures for processing a US West Communications' State- ment of Generally Available)) Order)
Terms (SGAT) pursuant to Section 252(f) of the 1996 Telecom-)) Entered: August 31, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On July 12, 1999, on its own motion, the Commission opened this docket to establish procedures to process a US West Statement of Generally Available Terms (SGAT) under Section 252 (f) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Section 252 (f) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 provides that "a Bell operating company may prepare and file with a State commission a statement of the terms and conditions that such company generally offers within that State to comply with the requirements of section 251 and the regulations thereunder . . ." Section 252(f) further provides that within 60 days of the date of filing, the State commission will either review the SGAT, or simply allow it to take effect.

On July 29, 1999, US West filed an SGAT, and the Commission held an oral argument on August 25, 1999, on how to process the filing.

After considering the arguments, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that it should allow the SGAT to take effect after the expiration of 60 days. Under Section 252(f)(4), we will conduct an ongoing review of the SGAT until finally approved.

The fact that the Commission is allowing the SGAT to take effect should not be construed as either the Commission's approval nor rejection of the SGAT at this time. While US West may refer to the SGAT in other proceedings, it is cautioned against relying on the document as persuasive support for its positions in such proceedings.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that US West Communications' Statement of Generally Available Terms shall become effective after the expiration of the 60-day period commencing July 29, 1999.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that although the Commission is allowing the SGAT to take effect, this fact should not be construed as either the Commission's approval or rejection of the document at this time.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 31st day of August, 1999.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Executive Direct

//s//Lowell C. Johnson //s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller