

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)	Application No. C-2085
of Aliant Midwest, Inc., Lincoln,)	
seeking approval of intercon-)	INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
nection pursuant to 47 USC)	APPROVED
Section 252(i) with Aliant Com-)	
munications Company, of Lincoln,)	
Nebraska.)	Entered: August 10, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On July 27, 1999, an application was filed by Aliant Midwest Inc. (Aliant Midwest) of Lincoln, seeking approval of interconnection with Aliant Communications Company (Aliant) of Lincoln, pursuant to 47 USC section 252(i). Notice of the original application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 28, 1999. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Aliant Midwest obtained a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide local exchange telecommunications services from the Commission, pursuant to Application Nos. C-1440, C-1775 and C-2012. Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 allows a certificated local exchange carrier to adopt a Commission-approved interconnection agreement. Aliant Midwest wishes to establish an interconnection agreement with Aliant and accordingly seeks to adopt the Aliant/US West Communications, Inc. interconnection agreement. The Aliant/US West agreement was approved by the Commission on February 17, 1999, in Application No. C-1971.

On May 28, 1997, the Commission added language to its mediation/arbitration policy (see Application No. C-1128, Progression Order No. 3) which sets forth the procedures to be followed for a Section 252(i) request. Aliant Midwest has followed the procedures required by the Commission's policy.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2085 be, and it is hereby, granted and Aliant Midwest Inc. is authorized to adopt the voluntarily-negotiated agreement between Aliant Communications Company and US West Communications, Inc.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Aliant Midwest Inc.'s adoption of the interconnection agreement between Aliant Communications Company and US West Communications, Inc. became effective August 6, 1999.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a signed agreement of Aliant Midwest Inc.'s adoption of the Aliant Communications Company/US West Communications, Inc. interconnection agreement reflecting Aliant Midwest Inc. and Aliant Communications Company as parties to the agreement be filed with the Commission in paper copy, as well as electronically, on or before August 24, 1999.

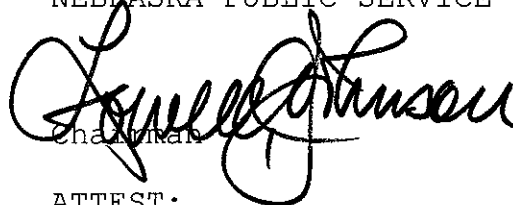
MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 10th day of August, 1999.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director