

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission Application No. C-2256/PI-38
on its own motion, to investigate)
and seek comment on cost model(s))
for the following: 1) Unbundled
Network Element (UNE) pricing; 2))
developing zones to de-average
rates on a geographical basis; 3))
determining zones for universal
service fund (NUSF) payments;) CLARIFICATION GRANTED IN
4) establishing a permanent fund-) PART, AND DENIED IN PART
ing mechanism for NUSF payments;)
and 5) to determine whether all
subsidies have been removed from)
access prices.)
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In the Matter of the Application Application No. C-2172/PI-34
of the Public Service Commission
on its motion, to seek comment on)
the establishment and implementa-)
tion of de-averaged rates for)
unbundled network elements (UNEs))
pursuant to the rules of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
section 51.507(f).)
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In the Matter of the Commission Application No. C-2498/PI-47
on its own motion, to determine
the appropriate price for)
expanded interconnection)
channel termination (EICT).) Entered: April 17, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

This matter comes before the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) upon the motion filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) for rehearing and clarification of our March 20, 2001, order. In its petition for rehearing and clarification, Qwest requests that the Commission enter a revised order which would (1) utilize the BCPM interim loop rates of \$18.14 for Zone 1, \$51.30 for Zone 2 and \$151.75 for Zone 3; (2) clarify that these rates will be interim rates, pending the completion of Docket No. C-1415, or a new docket to set permanent rates; and (3) clarify that

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no true-up will occur between the deaveraged rates set in the above-captioned docket and the statewide average rate set in Docket No. C-1385.

Upon consideration of Qwest's motion and being fully advised in the premises, we find it appropriate to grant Qwest's motion for clarification on the issue of whether the rate should be permanent or interim and to deny Qwest's motion as to the rest of the issues raised. We further deny Qwest's motion for rehearing on any of the issues outlined in its motion.

We find no reason to change the rates established in our March 20, 2001, order. However, we do find that the deaveraged rates established in the March 20, 2001, order should be interim pending the determination of permanent deaveraged loop rates in the cost docket opened simultaneously herewith; Docket No. C-2516/PI-49. We will address the issues Qwest raises in its motion in Docket No. C-2516/PI-49.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Qwest's motion for rehearing and clarification be granted in part and denied in part as set forth herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 17th day of April, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director