

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application     ) Application No. C-2263  
of GTE Midwest, Inc. of Grinnell,     )  
Iowa, and Nebraska Technology and     )  
Telecommunications, Inc. of             ) INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT  
Omaha, seeking approval of their     ) APPROVED  
voluntarily-negotiated intercon-     )  
nection agreement under the            )  
Federal Telecommunications Act         )  
of 1996.                                 ) Entered: May 10, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On April 6, 2000, an application was filed by GTE Midwest, Inc. (GTE) of Grinnell, Iowa, and Nebraska Technology and Telecommunications, Inc. (NT&T) of Omaha, seeking approval of their voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on April 10, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), GTE and NT&T entered into an interconnection agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement is contained within the application.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

Section 252(e) of the Act requires 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 April 6, 2000, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement between GTE Midwest, Inc. and Nebraska Technology and Telecommunications, Inc. be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed interconnection agreement filed herein be,

and it is hereby, made the official copy on  
file with the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 10th day of May,  
2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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