

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2296
of US West, Inc. of Denver,)
Colorado, seeking authority to)
file Amendment No. 7 to the) AMENDMENT APPROVED
interconnection agreement between)
Aliant Midwest, Inc., d/b/a Alltel)
and US West Communications, Inc.) Entered: June 20, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On May 12, 2000, an application was filed by US West, Inc. (US West) of Denver, Colorado, seeking authority to file Amendment No. 7 to the interconnection agreement between Aliant Midwest, Inc., d/b/a Alltel and US West Communications, Inc. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 16, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Alltel and US West entered into an interconnection agreement, which was approved by the Commission on June 11, 1997, in Application No. C-1530. In the current application, Alltel and US West seek to amend the original agreement by replacing language relating to reciprocal compensation. An executed copy of the amendment is contained within the application.

The amendment does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the amendment 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 amendment filed May 12, 2000, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Amendment No. 7 to the interconnection agreement between Aliant Midwest, Inc., d/b/a Alltel and US West Communications, Inc. be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed amendment 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 20th day of June, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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