BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint

Application of Brookings Municipal)
Utilities Telephone Department,
d/b/a Swiftel Communications
Wireless, Inc. of Brookings,
South Dakota, and US West Communications, Inc. of Denver Colorado,)
seeking approval of their interconnection agreement pursuant to
47 U.S.C. § 252(i).

Application No. C-2317

INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT APPROVED

Entered: June 29, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On June 9, 2000, a joint application was filed by Brookings Municipal Utilities Telephone Department, d/b/a Swiftel Communications (Swiftel) of Brookings, South Dakota and US West Communications, Inc. (US West) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of their interconnection agreement pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(i). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 12, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 allows any telecommunications carrier to adopt a Commission-approved interconnection agreement. Swiftel and US West wish to establish an interconnection agreement and accordingly seek to adopt the US West/Sprint Spectrum, L.P. interconnection agreement. The US West/Sprint Spectrum agreement was approved by the Commission on August 5, 1997, pursuant to Application No. C-1583.

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. US West and Swiftel have complied with the procedures required by the Commission's policy.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2317 be, and it is hereby, approved and Brookings Municipal Utilities Telephone Department, d/b/a Swiftel Communications and US West Communications, Inc. are authorized to adopt the US West/Sprint Spectrum, L.P. interconnection agreement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the adoption of the US West/Sprint Spectrum agreement by US West and Swiftel became effective June 22, 2000.

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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 29th day of June, 2000.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

ATTEST:

Executive Director