

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint)	Application No. C-2357
Application of Choctaw Communi-)	
cations, Inc. (f/k/a Choctaw)	
Communications, L.C.), d/b/a)	RESALE AGREEMENT
Smoke Signal Communications of)	APPROVED
Houston, Texas, and US West)	
Communications, Inc. of Denver,)	
Colorado, seeking approval of)	
their voluntarily-negotiated)	
resale agreement.)	Entered: August 29, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On July 24, 2000, a joint application was filed by Choctaw Communications, Inc. (f/k/a Choctaw Communications, L.C.), d/b/a Smoke Signal Communications (Choctaw) of Houston, Texas, and US West Communications, Inc. (US West) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of their voluntarily-negotiated resale agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 26, 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), Choctaw and US West 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 July 24, 2000, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the voluntarily-negotiated resale agreement between Choctaw Communications, Inc., d/b/a Smoke Signal Communications and US West Communications, Inc. be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed 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 August, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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