

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2371
of Zone Telecom, Inc. of)
Cambridge, Massachusetts, seeking)
authority to obtain a Certificate)
of Public Convenience and Necessity) GRANTED
to provide facilities-based and)
resold intrastate interexchange)
and operator telecommunications)
services.) Entered: October 18, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed August 22, 2000, Zone Telecom, Inc. (Zone) of Cambridge, Massachusetts, seeks authority to obtain a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide facilities-based and resold intrastate interexchange and operator telecommunications services. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 23, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

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

Zone is a Delaware corporation with its principal offices located in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Zone has received authority from the Secretary of State to conduct business in Nebraska. Zone is a newly-formed corporation and does not yet possess authority to provide telecommunications services in any other state, although applications requesting such authority have been or will be filed in all fifty states.

As a newly-formed company, much of Zone's financial, managerial and technical resources will be drawn from its ultimate corporate parent, e-Kong Group Limited (e-Kong). e-Kong, a Bermuda corporation located in Hong Kong, provides telecommunications and Internet services around the world through a number of its subsidiaries. e-Kong possesses ample financial resources to provide the proposed service in Nebraska, and the management personnel of e-Kong, who will also direct Zone, have many years of experience in the telecommunications industry.

Zone proposes to provide a number of services throughout the entire state of Nebraska, including long distance services, calling card services and operator services. Zone will provide these

services through both resale agreements and owned or leased facilities.

Interexchange reseller applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-604 and 86-805 and Title 291 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Rule 003.12. From examination of the application filed herein, the Commission finds Zone has provided all the information required by the Commission, possesses adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service, and possesses adequate technical competency to provide the proposed service. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2371 be, and it is hereby, granted and Zone Telecom, Inc. is authorized to provide interexchange and operator telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file, in accordance with the applicable statutes on or before April 30th of each year, an annual report with this Commission consisting of: (a) a copy of any report filed with the Federal Communications Commission; (b) a copy of any annual report to stockholders; and (c) a copy of the latest Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. If these are not available, applicant shall submit a balance sheet and income statement for the previous year of operation, as well as the investment made in telephone plant and equipment located within the state, accumulated depreciation thereon, operating revenues and expenses, and taxes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to the extent applicable, the applicant shall comply with all laws pertaining to, and all rules and regulations promulgated under, the Telecommunications Relay System Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-1302 to 86-1307) and the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-1402 to 86-1410).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file its current tariff prior to offering service pursuant to the certificate granted in this order.

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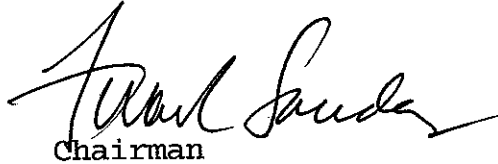
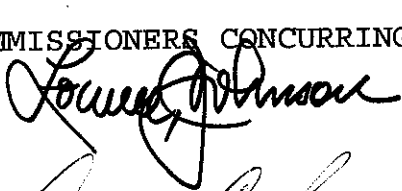
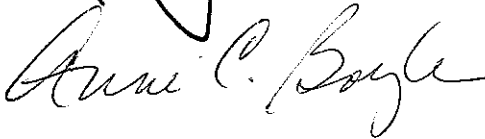
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IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order be, and it is hereby made, the Commission's official certificate of authority to furnish the service authorized herein as a common carrier.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 18th day of October, 2000.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:


Chairman

ATTEST:

//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller


Executive Director

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