

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint) Application No. C-2382
Application of Citizens Tele-)
communications Company of)
Nebraska of Mound, Minnesota,) INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT
and Comm South Companies of Dallas,) APPROVED
Texas, seeking approval of inter-)
connection agreement pursuant to)
47 U.S.C. § 252(e).) Entered: October 3, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On August 30, 2000, a joint application was filed by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska (Citizens) of Mound, Minnesota, and Comm South Companies (Comm South) of Dallas, Texas, seeking approval of an interconnection agreement pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on September 1, 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), Citizens and Comm South 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 August 30, 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 Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska and Comm South Companies 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 3rd day of
October, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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