BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application No. C-2452
plication of Sprint Communications)
Company, L.P. of Overland Park,)
Kansas, and US West Communications)
AMENDMENT APPROVED
Inc. of Denver, Colorado, seeking)
approval of Amendment No. 1 to)
their existing interconnection)
agreement.) Entered: January 23, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On December 11, 2000, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation, f/k/a US West Communications, Inc. (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint) of Overland Park, Kansas, seeking approval of Amendment No. 1 to their interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on December 13, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

On August 26, 1997, pursuant to Application No. C-1417, the original interconnection agreement between Qwest (then known as US West) and Sprint was approved by this Commission. In the current application, Qwest and Aliant Midwest seek to amend the original agreement by adding certain terms, conditions and rates. 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 should be approved.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Amendment No. 1 to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation, f/k/a US West Communications, Inc. and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. 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 23rd day of January, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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