

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint ) Application No. C-2473  
Application of Qwest Corporation )  
of Denver, Colorado and Sprint ) AMENDMENT APPROVED  
Communications, seeking approval )  
of Amendment No. 3 to their )  
interconnection agreement. ) Entered: February 21, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

# OPINION AND FINDINGS

On January 18, 2001, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado and Sprint Communications Company (Sprint) of Overland Park, Kansas, seeking approval of Amendment No. 3 to their interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 19, 2001. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

On August 26, 1997, the original interconnection agreement between Qwest (then known as US West) and Sprint was approved by this Commission, pursuant to Application No. C-1417. On January 23, 2001, the Commission approved Amendment No. 1 to the original agreement (see Docket No. C-2452). In the current application, Sprint and Qwest seek to amend their agreement with their proposed Amendment No. 3. 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 should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Amendment No. 3 to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and Sprint Communications Company 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 21st day of

February, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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