BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)	Application No. C-2538
of Great Plains Communications)	
Long Distance, Inc. of Blair,)	
Nebraska, seeking authority to)	
obtain a Certificate of Public)	GRANTED
Convenience and Necessity to)	
operate as a reseller of intraLATA)	
interexchange telecommunications)	
services statewide in Nebraska.)	Entered: July 11, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed May 23, 2001, Great Plains Communications Long Distance, Inc. (Great Plains) of Blair, Nebraska, is seeking authority to obtain a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to operate as a reseller of intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in <u>The Daily Record</u>, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 25, 2001. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Great Plains is a Nebraska corporation that has received authority from the Secretary of State to conduct business in Nebraska. Great Plains presently has no other certifications in any other state.

Great Plains is a switchless, non-facilities-based reseller of telecommunications services provided over the networks of its underlying carriers. Great Plains proposes to offer switched access service, directory assistance services, telephone calling card services and may in the future provide 800 service.

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 Great Plains 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.

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ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2538 be, and it is hereby, granted and Great Plains Communications Long Distance, Inc., is authorized to operate as a reseller of intraLATA interexchange services statewide in 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.

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.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this day of 11th day of July, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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Executive Director