

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application     ) Application No. C-2802  
of Qwest Corporation of Denver,     )  
Colorado, seeking approval of     )  
adoption of a wireline inter-     )  
connection agreement approved in     ) GRANTED  
Application No. C-2328 for the     )  
state of Nebraska, with VP     )  
Telecom of Sioux Falls, South     )  
Dakota.     ) Entered: October 8, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 27, 2002, an application was filed by Qwest Corporation of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of adoption of a wireline interconnection agreement approved in Application No. C-2328 for the state of Nebraska, with VP Telecom of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 28, 2002. 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

Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 allows any telecommunications carrier to adopt a Commission-approved interconnection agreement. VP Telecom wishes to establish an interconnection agreement with Qwest, and accordingly, seeks to adopt Qwest and Sprint Communications Company's (Sprint) interconnection agreement. The Qwest/Sprint agreement was approved by the Commission pursuant to Application No. C-2328 on November 6, 2001.

On May 28, 1997, the Commission added language to its mediation/arbitration policy (see Application No. C-1128, Progression Order No. 3) which sets forth the procedures to be followed for a Section 252(i) request. VP Telecom has sufficiently complied with the procedures required by the Commission's policy.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2802 be, and it is hereby, granted and VP Telecom is hereby authorized to adopt the voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement between Qwest and Sprint, pursuant to Application No. C-2328.

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 8th day of October, 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director