

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2989
of Qwest Corporation of Denver,)
Colorado, seeking approval of a)
Performance Assurance Plan) GRANTED
Amendment Number 8 to the inter-)
connection agreement previously)
approved in Application No.)
C-1379.) Entered: September 3, 2003

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On July 25, 2003, an application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a Performance Assurance Plan Amendment Number 8 to the interconnection agreement previously approved in Application No. C-1379. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 29, 2003. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission=s Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Qwest and TCG-Omaha entered into an interconnection agreement, which was approved by the Commission on April 29, 1997, in Application No. C-1379. In the current application, Qwest and TCG-Omaha seek to amend the original agreement by adding terms, conditions and for a Performance Assurance Plan.

The amendment does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier. 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 July 25, 2003, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the amendment to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and TCG-Omaha, 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 3rd day of September, 2003.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director