

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2992
of Qwest Communications of)
Denver, Colorado, seeking)
approval of a custom local area) GRANTED
signaling services network)
interconnection agreement with)
Aliant Midwest Inc. of Lincoln,)
Nebraska.) Entered: September 9, 2003

BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

On July 30, 2003, an application was filed by Qwest Communications (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a custom local area signaling services network interconnection agreement with Aliant Midwest Inc. (Aliant) of Lincoln, Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 5, 2003. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's rule of modified procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Qwest and Aliant entered into an interconnection agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of this agreement is contained within the application.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement 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 interconnection agreement should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and Aliant Midwest Inc., be, and it is hereby, approved.

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 9th day of September, 2003.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director