BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of)	Application	on No.	C-3	3347
Qwest Communications, Denver,)				
Colorado, seeking approval of its)				
Amendment to the Interconnection)				
Agreement for Elimination of UNE-P)	APPROVED			
and Implementation of Batch Hot Cut)				
Process and Discounts with Budget)				
Phone, Inc., Shreveport, Louisiana,)				
for the State of Nebraska,)				
previously granted in Docket No.)				
C-2774.)	Entered:	March	22,	2005

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On February 3, 2005, Qwest Communications (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, filed an application seeking approval of its Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement for Elimination of UNE-P and Implementation of Batch Hot Cut Process and Discounts with Budget Phone, Inc. (Budget) Shreveport, Louisiana, for the State of Nebraska, previously granted in Docket No. C-2774. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 15, 2005. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

On September 11, 2002, pursuant to Application C-2774, the original interconnection agreement between Qwest and Budget was approved by this Commission. In the current application, Qwest seeks to amend the agreement by eliminating UNE-P and Implementing Batch Hot Cut Process and Discounts. An executed copy of the interim amendment is contained within the application.

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 February 3, 2005 should be approved.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the amendment to the Interconnection Agreement for Elimination of UNE-P and Implementation of Batch Hot Cut Process and Discounts between Qwest Communications and Budget Phone, Inc., 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 22nd day of March, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director