

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3352
of Qwest Corporation of Denver,)
Colorado, seeking an amendment)
to the interconnection agreement) AMENDMENT APPROVED
for Elimination of UNE-P and)
Implementation of Batch Hot Cut)
Process and Discounts with)
McLeod USA Telecommunications)
Services, Inc., Cedar Rapids,)
Iowa, previously granted in) Entered: March 29, 2005
C-2023.

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On February 16, 2005, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado and McLeod USA Telecommunications Services, Inc. (McLeod) of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, seeking approval of Amendment No. 19 to their interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 23, 2005. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

On April 14, 1999, the original interconnection agreement between Qwest and McLeod was approved by this Commission, pursuant to Application No. C-2023. In the current application, Qwest and McLeod seek to once again amend their agreement. Executed copies of the amendment are contained within the application.

The amendment does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. 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 should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Amendment No. 19 to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeod USA Telecommunications Services, Inc. be, and they are 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 29th day of March, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

