

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Sprint)	Application No. C-3429
Communications Company L.P.,)	
Overland Park, Kansas, Petition)	
for arbitration under the)	HEARING OFFICER ORDER
Telecommunications Act, of)	
certain issues associated with)	
the proposed interconnection)	
agreement between Sprint and)	
Southeast Nebraska Telephone)	
Company, Falls City.)	Entered: August 9, 2005

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

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

This matter comes before the Hearing Officer on a Motion to Strike filed by Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint or Petitioner) on August 8, 2005. Sprint's motion seeks to strike in whole or in part the Rebuttal Testimony of Mr. Watkins filed by Southeast Nebraska Telephone Company (SENTCO) on August 3, 2005. A response to that motion was filed by SENTCO on August 9, 2005.

Upon consideration of the motion, the Hearing Officer finds the motion to strike should be denied with respect to the Rebuttal Testimony of Mr. Watkins. The Commission will afford the testimony the weight that it merits and will consider Sprint's arguments in that analysis.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the motion to strike filed by Sprint be and it is hereby denied.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 9th day of August, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

By: _____
Hearing Officer