BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

| In the Matter of Telecom |) | Applicat: | ion No. | C-3 | 3949 |) |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------|---------|-----|------|------|
| Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer |) | | | | | |
| Telephone, Portland, Maine, |) | | | | | |
| seeking approval of an Asset |) | GRANTED | | | | |
| Purchase Agreement with |) | | | | | |
| Broadwing Communications, LLC, |) | | | | | |
| Broomfield, Colorado. |) | Entered: | Septemb | oer | 3, | 2008 |

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed July 23, 2008, Telecom Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer Telephone (Pioneer), Portland, Maine, seeks approval of an Asset Purchase Agreement with Broadwing Communications, LLC (Broadwing), Broomfield, Colorado. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 25, 2008. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pioneer is a Maine corporation with its principal office located in Portland, Maine. Pioneer is a certificated long distance telecommunications provider in Nebraska pursuant to Docket No. C-3238.

Broadwing is a Delaware limited liability company and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Level 3 Communications LLC with principal offices located in Broomfield, Colorado. Broadwing is a certificated long distance provider in Nebraska pursuant to Docket No. C-2900.

Pioneer intends to acquire Broadwing's residential and small medium enterprise (SME) long distance customer accounts. The acquisition will not have any impact on Broadwing's customers in terms of services or rates. The joint applicants do not request transfer of Broadwing's certificate or other operating authority to Pioneer.

Based on our review of the application the Commission finds that approval would serve the public interest and the application should therefore be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Asset Purchase Agreement between Telecom Management, Inc. d/b/a Pioneer Telephone and Broadwing Communications, LLC, be, and it is hereby, approved.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this $3^{\rm rd}$ day of September, 2008.

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s// Anne C. Boyle //s// Frank E. Landis
//s// Rod Johnson

Chair

ATTES?

Executive Director