

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the	)	Application No. C-4181
Application of Windstream	)	
Nebraska, Inc., Little Rock,	)	
Arkansas, seeking approval of	)	APPROVED
an Interconnection Agreement	)	
with Ernest Communications,	)	
Inc., Norcross, Georgia.	)	Entered: July 28, 2009

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed June 9, 2009, Windstream Nebraska, Inc. (Windstream) of Little Rock, Arkansas, seeks approval of an Interconnection Agreement with Ernest Communications, Inc. (Ernest) of Norcross, Georgia. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 11, 2009. 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), Windstream and Ernest (parties) entered into an Interconnection Agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of this agreement is contained within the application.

No portion of the agreement 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 extended area service agreements adopted by negotiation or arbitration 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 Windstream Nebraska, Inc., and Ernest Communications, 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 28th day of July, 2009.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

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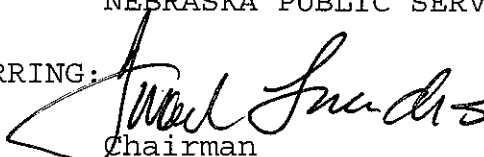
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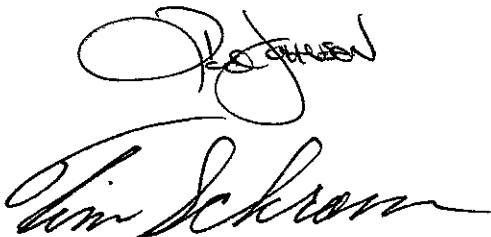
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//s// Frank E. Landis