BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	Applicat	ion	No.	C-	-4245
Application of United)					
Telephone of the West d/b/a)					
Embarq, Overland Park, Kansas,)					
seeking approval of an)	APPROVED				
Interconnection, Collocation)					
and Resale Agreement with Big)					
River Telephone Company, LLC,)					
St. Louis, Missouri.)	Entered:	Maı	rch	9,	2010

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed January 20, 2010, United Telephone of the West d/b/a Embarq, (Embarq) Overland Park, Kansas, seeks approval of an Interconnection, Collocation and Resale Agreement with Big River Telephone Company, LLC, (Big River) St. Louis, Missouri. Notice of the Application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 27, 2010. 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), Embarq and Big River (parties) entered into an Interconnection, Collocation and Resale 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 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 agreement should be approved.

ORDER

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