

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-4337
of Windstream Communications,)
Inc., Little Rock, Arkansas,)
seeking authority to operate as) APPROVED
an interexchange carrier of)
telecommunications services)
within the State of Nebraska.) Entered: March 22, 2011

BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 16, 2011, an application was filed by Windstream Communications, Inc. (Applicant), Little Rock, Arkansas, seeking authority to operate as an interexchange carrier of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 21, 2011. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's rule of modified procedure.

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

Applicant is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Delaware since November 2, 2005. Applicant has been authorized by the Secretary of State to operate in Nebraska as a foreign corporation. In addition, no officer, director or shareholder having five percent or more of the Applicant's voting securities has been involved in a formal complaint or other investigatory or enforcement proceeding.

Applicant seeks authority to operate as an interexchange telecommunications carrier in the State of Nebraska, and proposes to offer services throughout the state. Applicant will not require advance payments or deposits if customer is purchasing stand-alone interexchange services.

Interexchange applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-129 and Title 291 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Rule 003.12. From examination of the application filed herein, the Commission finds that Applicant has provided all the information required by the Commission, possesses adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service, and possesses adequate technical competency to provide the proposed service. The application should be granted.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-4337 be, and it is hereby, granted and Windstream Communications, Inc. is authorized to operate as an interexchange carrier of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to the extent applicable, the Applicant shall comply with all laws pertaining to, and all rules and regulations promulgated under, the Telecommunications Relay System Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-301 to 86-315) and the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-316 to 86-329).

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order be, and it is hereby made, the Commission's official certificate of authority to furnish the service authorized herein as a common carrier.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 22nd day of March, 2011.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

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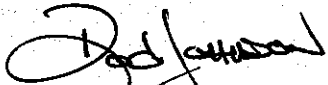

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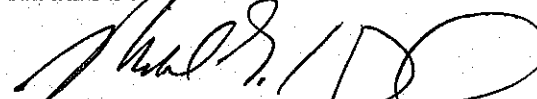
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//s// Frank E. Landis
//s// Tim Schram


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