BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	Application No. C-4829
Application of Qwest)	
Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink)	
QC, Denver, Colorado, seeking)	
approval of an Interconnection)	APPROVED
Agreement with Windstream of)	
the Midwest, Inc., Little)	
Rock, Arkansas.)	Entered: April 26, 2016

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On March 18, 2016, Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC, ("CenturyLink") of Denver, Colorado, filed an application seeking approval of its Interconnection Agreement with Windstream of the Midwest, Inc. ("Windstream"), of Little Rock, Arkansas. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on March 21, 2016. 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), CenturyLink and Windstream entered into an Interconnection Agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of the Agreement is contained within the application.

The Agreement does not discriminate 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 negotiated interconnection agreements 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

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC and Windstream of the Midwest be, and it is hereby, approved.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed Agreement filed herein be, and it is hereby, made the official copy on file with the Nebraska Public Service Commission.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 26th day of April, 2016.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

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Executive Director

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