BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	Applicat	ion No	. C	-4962
Application of Combined)				
Public Communications, LLC,)				
for authority to operate as)	GRANTED			
an Operator Service Provider)				
and Resale Carrier of)				
Intrastate InterLATA and)				
IntraLATA Telecommunications)				
Services within the State of	. ') '				
Nebraska.)	Entered:	March	20	2018

BY THE COMMISSION:

On December 26, 2017, an application was filed by Combined Public Communications, LLC ("Combined Public Communications" or "Applicant"), of Cold Spring, Kentucky, seeking authority to operate as an Operator Service Provider and Resale Carrier of Intrastate InterLATA and IntraLATA Telecommunications Services within the State of Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 8, 2018. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Applicant is a Delaware Limited Liability Company authorized to do business in the State of Nebraska. Applicant's principal place of business is located in Cold Spring, Kentucky. Applicant states no officer, director or shareholder has been involved in a formal complaint or other investigatory or enforcement proceeding within the last two years.

Applicant has been authorized to provide interexchange long distance telecommunications services in the states of: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Wyoming. No application has been denied.

Combined Public Communications is a switchless reseller utilizing the telecommunications network switching facilities of certificated underlying carriers. As a telecommunications reseller, Combined Public Communications will not construct any facilities in Nebraska. Combined Public Communications intends to provide service throughout the State of Nebraska.

Applicant states it possesses the necessary technical expertise and management team to serve Nebraska customers. In Exhibit IV to the application, Applicant provided details of its senior management's technical experience.

Applicant further stated it possesses the necessary financial ability to provide the proposed service in Nebraska. The financial statements for Combined Public Communications were filed as Exhibit V to the application. Upon request by the Commission staff, updated financials were provided on March 12, 2018.

Finally, Applicant submits approval of the application is in the public interest. Combined Public Communications states that approval will service the public interest by allowing competitive carriers to enter the institutional calling services market, offering newer technology in the provision of service.

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.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-4962 be, and it is hereby, granted and Combined Public Communications, LLC, is hereby authorized to provide interexchange 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 FURTHER ORDERED that Applicant file its current tariff prior to offering service pursuant to the certificate granted in this order.

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.

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ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this $20^{\rm th}$ day of March, 2018.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

May Ridder Chair

ATTEST:

//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Mary Ridder

Executive Director