BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)	Application No. E-1786
of Midwest Electric Cooperative)	
Corporation, Grant, Nebraska, for)	
authority to construct, operate,		
and maintain electric transmission)	Entered: March 20, 2001
lines in Perkins County, Nebraska)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Midwest Electric Cooperative Corporation, Grant, Nebraska, by its application filed March 3, 1999, seeks authority to construct, operate and maintain an electric transmission line in Perkins County, Nebraska, having a voltage in excess of 700 volts.

Applicant proposes to construct 2.67 miles, 3 phase, 4 wire overhead, 7.2/12.5 kv, Wye connected, multigrounded electric line in Perkins County;

And to construct .22 mile, 3 phase, 4 wire overhead, 7.2/12.5 kv, Wye connected, multigrounded electric line in Perkins County.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

The Commission finds that:

- 1. The applicant has filed a Route Map 9701 (Exhibit A) which shows the route of the proposed lines, the side of the roadway to be occupied, and the location and ownership of all utilities which may be in conflict, crossed, or paralleled by the proposed line.
- 2. The applicant has filed Specifications (Exhibit B) which will govern this electric line construction and have sufficient details to portray the type and manner of the construction for the proposed lines.
- 3. In the construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed electric transmission lines, the applicant will conform with the requirements of the latest edition of the National Electric Safety Code, the laws of the State of Nebraska, and the rules and regulations of the Commission.
- 4. The Nebraska Department of Aeronautics has filed a letter waiving objections to the proposed lines.

5. According to the application, the only utilities which may be affected by the construction and operation of the electric line proposal proposed herein are:

Platte Pipe Line, Casper, Wyoming Consolidated Telco, Lincoln, Nebraska

- 6. According to the application and the Nebraska Department of Aeronautics, there are no licensed airports which will be affected by the construction and operation of the electric lines proposed herein.
- 7. The applicant has filed documents showing the consent of the involved parties to the proposed electric line construction.

The Commission, having considered the filings in this matter and after being fully advised in the premises, is of the opinion and finds that this application should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. E-1786 be granted and that Midwest Electric Cooperative Corporation, Grant, Nebraska, be, and it is hereby, authorized to construct, operate, and maintain the proposed electric transmission line in Perkins County, Nebraska, in accordance with its application, Route Map (Exhibit A) and Specifications (Exhibit B), which by this reference are made a part hereof, all subject to the rules and regulations of this Commission and to the terms and conditions of the waivers filed with this application.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an immediate supplemental application be made if it develops that the line will not be built in its entirety in accordance with the Commission's order. A supplemental application is required for any and all changes in line routing, voltage, and/or design.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if the construction authorized in this order will not be entirely completed within twenty-four (24) months of the date of this order, applicant shall apply for an extension of time to complete the authorized construction showing good cause for such extension.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a completion notice shall be filed with this Commission as soon as the proposed line has been completed and is ready to be energized. With this completion notice, there should be a report of any line authorized which was not built.

MADE AND ENTERED in Lincoln, Nebraska on this 20th day of March, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//Anne C. Boyle //s//Daniel G. Urw Vice Chairman Kum C. Boyle

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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