

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Formal	)	Application No. FC-1348
Complaint of AT&T Communications	)	
of the Midwest, Inc., Denver,	)	
Colorado, v. Arapahoe Telephone	)	
Company, Blair; Benkelman	)	
Telephone Company, Inc.,	)	
Benkelman; Cambridge Telephone	)	
Company, Cambridge; Cozad	)	
Telephone Company, Cozad; Diller	)	
Telephone Company, Diller;	)	
Eastern Nebraska Telephone	)	
Company, Blair; Great Plains	)	
Communications, Inc., Blair;	)	
Hartington Telecommunications	)	
Company, Inc., Hartington;	)	ORDER CONTINUING HEARING
Hartman Telephone Exchanges,	)	
Inc., Benkelman; Henderson	)	
Cooperative Telephone Company,	)	
Henderson; Hershey Cooperative	)	
Telephone Company, Hershey;	)	
Hooper Telephone Company, Hooper;	)	
Northeast Nebraska Telephone	)	
Company, Jackson; Rock County	)	
Telephone Company, Blair;	)	
Southeast Nebraska	)	
Communications, Inc., Falls City;	)	
Three River Telco, Lynch; and	)	
Wauneta Telephone Company,	)	
Benkelman; alleging unfair and	)	
unreasonable intrastate switched	)	
access rates and inefficient	)	
network architecture.	)	
In the Matter of the Formal	)	Application No. FC-1352
Complaint Great Plains	)	
Communications, Inc., Blair,	)	
Nebraska, v. AT&T Communications	)	
of the Midwest, Inc. a/k/a AT&T,	)	
Olathe, Kansas, alleging failure	)	
to pay for intrastate switched	)	
access services.	)	Entered: October 4, 2011

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On November 17, 2010, a Formal Complaint was filed with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") by AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc. ("AT&T"), Denver, Colorado, against Arapahoe Telephone Company; Benkelman Telephone Company, Inc.; Cambridge Telephone Company; Cozad Telephone Company; Diller Telephone Company; Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company; Great Plains Communications, Inc.; Hartington Telecommunications Company, Inc.; Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc.; Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company; Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company; Hooper Telephone Company; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company; Rock County Telephone

Company; Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.; Three River Telco; and Wauneta Telephone Company. That Formal Complaint was docketed by the Commission as Application No. FC-1348.

On January 18, 2011, the Hearing Officer entered an order granting informal interventions to Sprint Communications Company, L.P. d/b/a Sprint and MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services.

On February 4, 2011, formal complaints were filed with the Commission by Cambridge Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Great Plains Communications, Inc., Hartington Telecommunications Company, Inc., Hooper Telephone Company, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, and Rock County Telephone Company, against AT&T. Those complaints were docketed as Docket Nos. FC-1350 through FC-1356.

On May 2, 2011, the Hearing Officer entered an order consolidating the above-captioned complaints finding them to be factually and legally related.

On January 4, March 1, September 7, and September 13, 2011, the Commission entered orders dismissing Arapahoe Telephone Company, Benkelman Telephone Company, Inc., Cozad Telephone Company, Diller Telephone Company, Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc., Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company, Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company, Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc., Three Rivers Telco, and Wauneta Telephone Company from FC-1348, and Cambridge Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Hartington Telecommunications Company, Inc., Hooper Telephone Company, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, and Rock County Telephone Company from FC-1348 as well as the Complaint Nos. FC-1350, 1351, 1353 - 1356 as AT&T and the named rural carriers had reached agreement and all parties had requested dismissal.

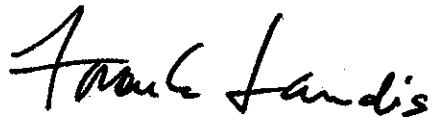
The following parties remain in the above-captioned complaint: Great Plains Communications, Inc. ("Great Plains") and AT&T.

On Friday September 30, 2011, the parties informally informed the Hearing Officer that they had reached agreement on the outstanding issues in the complaint and were finalizing the written agreement with those terms and preparing documents to file with the Commission formally requesting dismissal of the above-captioned complaint. Due to the short timeframe before the commencement of the hearing, I find that the hearing scheduled for **October 4 - 7, 2011**, should be continued to a date to be determined later.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the hearing in the above-captioned matter scheduled for **October 4 - 7, 2011**, be, and is hereby, continued to a date to be determined later.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2011.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Frank Landis". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

BY:

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Frank E. Landis  
HEARING OFFICER

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*Frank Landis*

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