

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Formal)	Application No. FC-1349
Complaint of Sprint)	
Communications Company LP,)	
Overland Park, Kansas, v.)	
Arapahoe Telephone Company,)	
Blair; Benkelman Telephone)	
Company, Inc., Benkelman;)	
Cambridge Telephone Company,)	
Cambridge; Cozad Telephone)	
Company, Cozad; Diller Telephone)	ORDER GRANTING SECOND REQUEST
Company, Diller; Hartman)	FOR EXTENSION
Telephone Exchanges, Inc.,)	
Benkelman; Henderson Cooperative)	
Telephone Company, Henderson;)	
Hershey Cooperative Telephone)	
Company, Hershey; Southeast)	
Nebraska Communications, Inc.,)	
Falls City and Wauneta Telephone)	
Company, Benkelman; alleging)	
unfair and unreasonable)	
intrastate switched access rates)	
and inefficient network)	
architecture.)	Entered: January 18, 2011

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On December 14, 2010, Sprint Communications Company, L.P., ("Sprint") filed a Formal Complaint against Arapahoe Telephone Company; Benkelman Telephone Company, Inc.; Cambridge Telephone Company; Cozad Telephone Company; Diller Telephone Company; Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc.; Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company; Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company; Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.; and Wauneta Telephone Company, (collectively "Respondents"), alleging unfair and unreasonable intrastate switched access rates and inefficient network architecture. The Commission docketed the Formal Complaint as Application No. FC-1349.

Commission Rules of Procedure set a deadline for the Respondents to file a Statement of Satisfaction or an Answer to a Formal Complaint.¹ Accordingly, the deadline to file a Statement of Satisfaction was established as December 30, 2010, and the deadline to file an Answer was established as January 4, 2011.

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Sprint and the Respondents request that the deadline to file a Statement of Satisfaction be extended to January 25, 2011, with Sprint's Notice of Acceptance due by January 28, 2011. In the event no Statement of Satisfaction is filed, Respondents would have until January 31, 2011, to file an Answer. If Sprint does not file a Notice of Acceptance of any Statement of Satisfaction filed by a Respondent, the Respondent would have until February 9, 2011, to file an Answer.

I find that the extension of time to respond in the above-captioned Formal Complaint as requested by Sprint in its Motion and outlined above, should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the Motion by Sprint Communications Company, L.P. to expand the time to respond to the above-captioned Formal Complaint be, and is hereby, granted. Respondents have until **Tuesday, January 25, 2011**, to file a Statement of Satisfaction. Sprint shall have until **Friday, January 28, 2011**, to file a Notice of Acceptance to any Statements of Satisfaction filed by a Respondent. If a Respondent does not file a Statement of Satisfaction, the deadline for Respondents to file an Answer shall be **Monday, January 31, 2011**. In the event Sprint does not file a Notice of Acceptance to any Statement of Satisfaction filed by any Respondent, the Respondent shall have until **Wednesday, February 9, 2011**, to file an Answer.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 18th day of January, 2011.

BY:

Frank E. Landis
HEARING OFFICER

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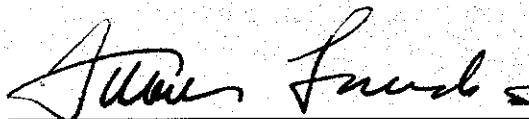
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