

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application ) Application No. C-2686  
of Qwest Corporation of Denver, )  
Colorado, and Alltel )  
Communications of Lincoln, )  
Nebraska, jointly seeking )  
approval of an amendment to ) GRANTED  
their type 2 wireline inter- )  
connection agreement (approved )  
in Application C-1505.) ) Entered: April 2, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On February 25, 2002, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, and Alltel Communications (Alltel) of Lincoln, Nebraska, jointly seeking approval of an amendment to their Type 2 Wireline interconnection agreement (approved in Application No. C-1505.) Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 26, 2002. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Qwest and Alltel entered into an interconnection agreement, which was approved by the Commission on January 6, 1998, in Application No. C-1505. In the current application, Qwest and Alltel seek to amend the original agreement by adding terms and conditions that reflect a Federal Communications Commission Order on Remand and Report and Order, in CC Docket 99-68, regarding Intercarrier Compensation for Internet Service Provider-Bound Traffic.

The amendment does not discriminate against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the amendment 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 amendment filed February 25, 2002, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the amendment to the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and Alltel Communications, be, and it is hereby, approved.

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

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 2nd day of April 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director