

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint) Application No. C-2710
Application of Arapahoe)
Telephone Company and Applied)
Communications Technology Inc.,) GRANTED
both of Arapahoe, Nebraska,)
jointly seeking approval of)
their voluntarily-negotiated)
interconnection agreement.) Entered: May 7, 2002

BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

On March 27, 2002, a joint application was filed by Arapahoe Telephone Company (Arapahoe) and Applied Communications Technology Inc. (Applied), both of Arapahoe, Nebraska, jointly seeking approval of their voluntarily-negotiated interconnection agreement. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on March 28, 2002. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to Section 252(a) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act), Arapahoe and Applied entered into an interconnection agreement arrived at through voluntary negotiations. An executed copy of this agreement is contained within the application.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement 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 interconnection agreement should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the interconnection agreement between Arapahoe Telephone Company and Applied Communications Technology Inc., be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the executed interconnection agreement 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 7th day of May
2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director