

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application ) Application No. C-2735  
of Qwest Corporation of Denver, )  
Colorado, and ICG Telecom Group )  
of Englewood, Colorado, seeking ) GRANTED  
approval of their adopted )  
wireline interconnection )  
agreement, previously approved )  
in Application No. C-2328. ) Entered: June 18, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 15, 2002, an application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, and ICG Telecom Group (ICG) of Englewood, Colorado, seeking approval of their adopted wireline interconnection agreement, previously approved in Application No. C-2328. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 16, 2002. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

Section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the Act) allows any telecommunications carrier to adopt a Commission-approved interconnection agreement. ICG and Qwest wish to establish an interconnection agreement and accordingly seek to adopt the Qwest/Sprint interconnection agreement. The Qwest/Sprint agreement was approved by the Commission pursuant to Application No. C-2328 on November 6, 2001.

On May 28, 1997, the Commission added language to its mediation/arbitration policy (see Application No. C-1128, Progression Order No. 3) which sets forth the procedures to be followed for a Section 252(i) request. ICG and Qwest have sufficiently complied with the procedures required by the Commission's policy.

The agreement does not discriminate 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 agreement filed May 15, 2002, should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2735 be, and it is hereby, approved and Qwest Corporation and ICG Telecom Group are hereby, authorized to adopt the interconnection agreement between Qwest and Sprint.

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 18th day of June, 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director