

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2781
of Qwest Corporation of Denver,)
Colorado, and TCG-Omaha of)
Denver, Colorado, seeking)
approval of a local switching) GRANTED
and UNE-C amendment to their)
interconnection agreement)
previously approved in)
Application No. C-1379.) Entered: September 18, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On August 14, 2002, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado, and TCG-Omaha (TCG) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of a local switching and UNE-C amendment to their interconnection agreement previously approved in Application No. C-1379. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 15, 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 TCG entered into an interconnection agreement, which was approved by the Commission on June 4, 1997, pursuant to Application No. C-1379. In the current application, Qwest and TCG seek to amend the original agreement by adding terms, conditions and rates for Local Switching and Unbundled Network Element Combinations.

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 August 14, 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 TCG-Omaha, be, and it is hereby, approved.

IT IS FURTHER 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 18th day of September, 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director