

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2783
of Qwest Corporation of Denver,)
Colorado and TCG-Omaha of)
Denver, Colorado, seeking)
approval of an unbundled network)
element, unbundled loop, subloop)
unbundling, unbundled dark fiber) GRANTED
and network interface device)
amendment to their)
interconnection agreement)
previously approved in)
Application No. C-1379.) Entered: September 24, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

On August 19, 2002, a joint application was filed by Qwest Corporation (Qwest) of Denver, Colorado and TCG-Omaha (TCG) of Denver, Colorado, seeking approval of an unbundled network element, unbundled loop, subloop unbundling, unbundled dark fiber and network interface device 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 20, 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), Qwest and TCG entered into an interconnection agreement, which was approved by the Commission on June 4, 1997 in Application No. C-1379. In the current application, Qwest and TCG seek to amend the original by adding terms, conditions and rates for unbundled network elements, unbundled loops, subloop unbundling, network interface device and unbundled dark fiber.

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 19, 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 24th day of September 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director