BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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| In the Matter of the Joint Application of Qwest Corporation, Denver, Colorado, and New Rochelle, White Plains, New York, seeking approval of their interconnection agreement pursuant to 47 USC section 252(i). | ) | Application No. C-3729<br><br>APPROVED<br><br>Entered: January 9, 2007 |

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

By joint application Qwest Corporation (Qwest), of Denver, Colorado, and New Rochelle Telephone Corp. (New Rochelle), of White Plains, New York, seek approval of their interconnection agreement adopted pursuant to 47 U.S.C. section 252(i). Notice of this application appeared in the Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska on December 4, 2006. No protests or interventions were filed; therefore, the Commission processes this application pursuant to its Rule of Modified Procedure.

Pursuant to section 252(i) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, New Rochelle requested to adopt in its entirety the terms of the interconnection agreement and any associated amendments between Covista, Inc. and Qwest Corporation that was approved by the Commission on September 17, 2004. This request was actually filed with Qwest on January 26, 2005 and subsequently filed with the Commission; however, at the time of filing with the Commission New Rochelle was not a certificated carrier in Nebraska. New Rochelle subsequently became a certificated competitive local exchange carrier (CLEC) on June 14, 2005 in Application No. C-3408, but due to a clerical error the application for approval of their interconnection agreement was not discovered or processed until November 30, 2006 when an amendment to the interconnection agreement was filed.

Neither the agreement nor any portion thereof discriminates against any telecommunications carrier. Furthermore, the implementation of the agreement is consistent with public interest, convenience and necessity.

Section 252(e) of the Act requires this Commission to review interconnection agreements adopted by negotiation or arbitration 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 and reciprocal compensation agreement should be approved. Based on the circumstances

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presented in this case, the interconnection agreement should be effective retroactively to June 24, 2005, which is 10 days following the date New Rochelle received authority as a CLEC in Nebraska.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and New Rochelle shall be, and it is hereby, approved with a retroactive effective date as described above.

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 9th day of January, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s// Rod Johnson
//s// Frank E. Landis

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