BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of Ciera Network Systems, Inc. of Houston Texas, seeking authority to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interLATA and intraLATA telecommunications services with the state of Nebraska.	)	Application No. C-2550 GRANTED Entered: July 11, 2001

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed June 8, 2001, Ciera Network Systems, Inc. (Ciera) of Houston, Texas, is seeking authority to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interLATA and intraLATA interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on June 11, 2001. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

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

Ciera is a Texas corporation that has received authority from the Secretary of State to conduct business in Nebraska. Ciera is presently in the process of filing for certification nationwide.

Ciera is a switchless reseller of interexchange telecommunication services. Ciera originates calls via feature Group D purchased by Ciera's underlying carrier from the local exchange carrier. Ciera proposes to offer direct-dialed, inbound toll-free service, travel card, debit card and directory assistance services for communications originating and terminating within the state of Nebraska.

Interexchange reseller applications are subject to Commission jurisdiction under Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-604 and 86-805 and Title 291 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, Chapter 5, Rule 003.12. From examination of the application filed herein, the Commission finds Ciera has provided all the information required by the Commission, possesses adequate financial resources to provide the proposed service and possesses adequate technical competency to provide the proposed service. The application should be granted.

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O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2550 be, and it is hereby, granted and Ciera Network Systems, Inc. is authorized to operate as a resale carrier of intrastate interLATA and intraLATA interexchange services in Nebraska.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the applicant shall file, in accordance with the applicable statutes on or before April 30th of each year, an annual report with this Commission consisting of: (a) a copy of any report filed with the Federal Communications Commission; (b) a copy of any annual report to stockholders; and (c) a copy of the latest Form 10-K filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. If these are not available, applicant shall submit a balance sheet and income statement for the previous year of operation, as well as the investment made in telephone plant and equipment located within the state, accumulated depreciation thereon, operating revenues and expenses, and taxes.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, to the extent applicable, the applicant shall comply with all laws pertaining to, and all rules and regulations promulgated under, the Telecommunications Relay System Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-1302 to 86-1307) and the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act (Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-1402 to 86-1410).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant file its current tariff prior to offering service pursuant to the certificate granted in this order.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that this order be, and it is hereby made, the Commission's official certificate of authority to furnish the service authorized herein as a common carrier.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this day of 11th day of July, 2001.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

//s//Frank E. Landis

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