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Dear Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, and Honorable Members of the  
Unicameral:

We are pleased to submit to you the Commission's 1989 Annual  
Report on Telecommunications. This report covers the period of  
November 1, 1988 to October 31, 1989.

This report is submitted in compliance with the Telecommuni-  
cations Act of 1986 and specifically addresses the items cited in  
§86-804, Neb. Rev. Stat. (1943) as amended of that Act.

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ON THE STATUS OF  
THE NEBRASKA TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY**

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the third annual report prepared for the Nebraska Unicameral as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1986 (LB 835). The Nebraska Supreme Court decided the constitutionality of the Act this year in State vs. Northwestern Bell Telephone et. al. 233 Neb. 262, \_\_\_\_ N.W.2d \_\_\_\_, (1989). The Court held the Act to be constitutional in all challenged respects. Consequently, the Supreme Court has increased the value of this report when it stressed the obligation of the Commission to annually report to the Legislature and suggest additional legislation.

This report contains the facts and figures regarding the status of the telecommunications industry in Nebraska. The Commission's goals and recommendations for proposed legislation or amendments are also included.

Although LB 835 restricts the Commission's authority over the rates set by telecommunications companies, the Act leaves intact certain duties and obligations. These duties include the quality of service, entry into & exit from the Nebraska market, and subscriber complaints against telephone companies and they are given the highest priority and importance by the Commission.

1. Chapter One examines the quality of telecommunications services being provided to the citizens of Nebraska. The first section examines telephone complaints. This past year, 241 informal complaints were received from telephone subscribers. This is slightly above the 237 complaints handled the year before.

The next section presents the access lines and exchange data for each of the 37 regulated companies. The quality of service has improved with several new digital offices and more fiber optic cable installed in the state. The telecommunications environment is improving in rural Nebraska with the introduction of digital and fiber networks.

The last section examines the service testing of each central office in the state. Since the implementation of LB 835, 435 of the 461 central offices have been tested with only four offices not meeting Commission standards. The Commission would like to praise the industry for its excellent service performance. Although Nebraska has a variety of telecommunications facilities located throughout the state, the vast majority of the companies are upgrading when necessary, establishing one party service and using the best technology to suit the circumstances.

2. Chapter Two summarizes the availability of diverse and affordable telecommunications services to all of the people of Nebraska. Nebraska's telecommunications infrastructure is changing with older antiquated offices being upgraded. In rural Nebraska, the availability of enhanced telecommunications systems can assist a community in diversifying its economy. The

Commission again encourages the local companies to upgrade in order to foster rural economic development when the time is appropriate. The tables in this chapter reflect the wide diversity of local telephone equipment, and the availability of equal access and extended area service.

The Commission understands that development in rural Nebraska is sometimes difficult and always expensive. Prior to undertaking these changes, there must be a public need reflected in the community. This is emphasized by the legislative requirement of both available and affordable service. Universal service in Nebraska will always remain a major Commission objective. With universal service in mind, the Commission is pleased to report that with the new Link Up Nebraska program more than 300 households were connected to the telephone network in the first six months of the program.

Although currently not within the jurisdiction of the Commission, the summary of availability of diverse services would not be complete without at least acknowledging the availability of cellular, radio, digital, microwave, satellite and optical fiber services introduced in our state. Most of these services have been exempted from regulation by §86-808. Consultants frequently inquire regarding state regulation. The Commission recommends that, at a minimum, a registration of cellular services should be legislated to establish who is providing service in the state.

3. Chapter Three reports on the level of rates of local exchange companies and interexchange telecommunications companies. As in the past, the Commission reports that the telecommunications industry in the state is a very healthy industry. In this section, there are tables to compare and contrast the rates of both local and long distance companies. The Commission encourages each Senator to review the companies in his or her district. The contrasts are sometimes dramatic.

Basic rates for local exchange service have remained the same during the year for most companies. Local exchange rates were increased by Plainview Telephone Company and The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company. Rate increases are pending for United Telephone of the West and Cambridge Telephone Company exchanges. These basic local service rate increases in effect and pending impact more than one third of the households in the state.

Since 1987 when LB 835 became effective, 34 states and the District of Columbia have ordered reductions in rates for telephone companies under their jurisdiction. Nebraska is the only state in the nation which does not have the power to lower rates. During this same period, 11 states in US West's 14 state territory have ordered lower telephone rates.

Both increases and decreases have occurred in rates of interexchange carriers. AT&T has continued as the price leader with nine other carriers having somewhat lower prices. Three other carriers are priced at the same rate as AT&T. Seven interexchange companies have applied for certificates in Nebraska this year.

Very little change occurred in rates for miscellaneous services. The most notable change was an increase in service connection charges by US West.

#### 4. Goals and Recommendations of the Commission

The primary telecommunication goals of the Public Service Commission are to:

- a) Serve the interest of the public.
- b) Strike a balance between competing interests of legitimate competition and the protection of the public interest.
- c) Foster universal service.
- d) Insure compliance with the laws of Nebraska by telecommunications companies.
- e) Prevent unjust discrimination and practices.
- f) Investigate any and all complaints regarding telephone service quality, billing, or other miscellaneous matters.

LB 835 directs this report to address the question of the need for further legislation to achieve the purposes of the act. To achieve the intent of the act and the goals of the Public Service Commission, the following recommendations should be implemented; however, they are not necessarily listed in the order of their priority.

1. Repeal the sunset clause on the consumers' right to petition so that it does not end in 1991.
2. Change the standard from "actual cost" to "fair, just and reasonable."
3. Declare that when Extended Area Service is non-optional, it is a part of basic local service.
4. Change the percentage of increase that a company can implement from ten percent to five percent each year.

5. Reduce the required percentage of petitioners for US West and Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company by one-half. US West would need one percent and Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company would need one and one half percent of the affected subscribers to petition.

6. Repeal the sunset clause on de-averaging of toll rates.

7. Allow the Commission to review a company's rate of return if the company experiences a "windfall profit" due to some unexpected fortuitous event.

8. Clear up the discrepancy on the dates when a company can reapply for a rate increase.

9. Change the annual report due date from January 5th of each year to September 30th of each year. This will allow the Legislature time to review the information and draft appropriate legislation.

# ONE

A review of the quality of telecommunications  
service being provided to the citizens of  
Nebraska



## TELEPHONE COMPLAINTS

Pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations, when a subscriber has a telephone complaint, the complaint shall first be made to the telephone company involved. If the telephone company fails to resolve the complaint to the subscriber's satisfaction, the Nebraska Public Service Commission will work with the subscriber and the telephone company to resolve the complaint.

During the twelve month reporting period, 241 complaints were received from telephone subscribers. Table 1 categorizes the complaints and shows a comparison to the number of complaints received the previous year.

Table 1

<u>Complaints</u>	<u>November 1, 1987 to October 31, 1988</u>	<u>November 1, 1988 to October 31, 1989</u>
Service	84	80
Billing	86	70
Miscellaneous	<u>67</u>	<u>91</u>
Total	237	241

Of the 241 complaints received, 74.7% were against either the Local Exchange Carrier (LEC) or an Interexchange Carrier (IXC). Table 2 provides a further breakdown.

Table 2

<u>Complaints</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent of Total</u>
Local Exchange Carriers	158	65.6
Automatic Dialers/976	40	16.6
Interexchange Carriers	22	9.1
Alternate Operator Services	21	8.7
Others	<u>0</u>	<u>0.0</u>
Total	241	100.0

The categories in Table 2 are explained more fully below. The explanation also includes examples of the types of complaints the Commission receives.

### LEC's:

Local exchange service is provided by 37 regulated companies in Nebraska. Of these, the 5 largest companies serve all but 7.2% of the total access lines.

Table 3 shows the number of complaints received against each of the five largest telephone companies and the 32 other telephone companies and five co-ops.

Table 3

<u>LEC</u>	<u>Complaints</u>	<u>Access Lines</u>	<u>Percent of Total Access Lines</u>
US West	62	451,771	55.5
LT&T	50	212,042	26.1
GTE North	17	43,258	5.3
United	6	23,313	2.9
Great Plains	5	24,830	3.0
Others	<u>18</u>	<u>58,442</u>	<u>7.2</u>
Total	158	813,656	100.0

Protests were also received from 2,248 LT&T subscribers and 310 United subscribers regarding these companies' local service rate of increase under LB 835. Neither companies' subscribers were able to meet the required number of protests to compel a Commission review of the increase.

Complaints against Local Exchange Carriers (LEC's) are divided into three categories - service, billing and miscellaneous.

A complaint that there is trouble on the line such as static, cut-offs during calls, or the line going dead are examples of service complaints.

Billing complaints usually arise when a subscriber has repeatedly asked the company to take a charge off the monthly bill, such as a long distance call which a subscriber disputed, but which continues to appear on the bill.

Another typical billing complaint involves refusal of service or disconnection. In many instances, the subscriber has a past due bill and has been disconnected. In order to reestablish service, the subscriber must pay the old bill and make a deposit. Similarly, a subscriber who now has service will be threatened with disconnection unless the past due bill is paid. In addition the telephone company may require a deposit. In both of these instances, the telephone company's policy must comply with the Commission's Rules and Regulations. While these requirements may make it difficult for some people to obtain or keep their service, it protects the telephone company from large uncollectible bills and other telephone subscribers from bearing the expense of the uncollectible accounts.

Other complaints are of a miscellaneous nature. Examples of complaints in this category are deposit requirements, harassing or obscene telephone calls, errors in directory listings, an error in the subscriber's directory advertising or trouble with privately owned coin phones.

#### Automatic Dialers/976:

This last year, most of the complaints the Nebraska Public Service Commission received against automatic dialing-announcing devices (ADAD's) were also complaints about 976 providers.

More and more 976 providers are advertising their service using an ADAD. Although there has been much publicity regarding 976 services, many people are still not aware of the fee to call a 976 number. People who receive an ADAD call at home telling them to call a 976 number to enter a contest or win a free vacation are surprised when they learn there is a charge for calling a 976 number. The 976 provider is supposed to include in the ADAD message the cost of the call, but some people have complained that the cost is read so quickly, there is not enough time to comprehend that part of the message.

In general, complaints against ADAD's are not against a particular company. People do not like these types of calls tying up their line. If the called party hangs up before the message is completed, it takes approximately 15-20 seconds to get a dial tone depending on the telephone company's central office. The phone must be hung up long enough for the call to disconnect. If the phone is picked up before the call disconnects, the timing feature resets.

The 976 Dial-it services began as information services such as weather and sports information. Now some 976 vendors offer such controversial services as adult entertainment, talk or gab lines, and children's programming.

In addition, minors' unrestricted use of the telephone can result in staggering bills. Also there is the problem of a minor's access to adult subject matter.

Currently, US West and AT&T are the only telecommunications companies in the state that offer 976 and 900 services. US West's policy is to not offer 976 service for adult entertainment or any use which violates state or local laws. In addition, US West will be selecting which 976 services they will contract to bill on the subscriber's monthly local service bill.

US West responded to parents' concern about their children's access to 976 service without consent by allowing residential blocking of 976 calls at no charge.

Although the Nebraska Commission can no longer regulate the use and misuse of 976 services like other Commissions can do across the United States, the Commission will work with any parent regarding outstanding bills resulting from 976 calls made by minors. Many states are researching ways of dealing with 976 services. Blocking, forbidding advertisements to minors, forbidding live male or female answers, and limiting the total cost of the call are just a few of the solutions being researched.

Interexchange Carriers:

Complaints against long distance companies are often billing problems such as being back-billed for calls made two years ago, receiving several months' billing at one time, or not being properly credited for a payment. Since equal access, there have also been complaints of a subscriber's long distance carrier being changed from one IXC to another without the subscriber's permission.

Alternate Operator Service:

Alternate Operator Services (AOS's) compete with AT&T and LEC operators. Typically, their service is through semi-public payphones in hotels, motels, and hospitals, and their rates are higher than what people expect to be charged. In many cases, callers are routed to the AOS provider without the caller even realizing it.

**CONSUMER TOLL FREE HOTLINE (800-526-0017)**

The Nebraska Public Service Commission has installed an instate consumer hotline. This toll free number has been heavily utilized this past year by Nebraska consumers.

## SERVICE TESTING

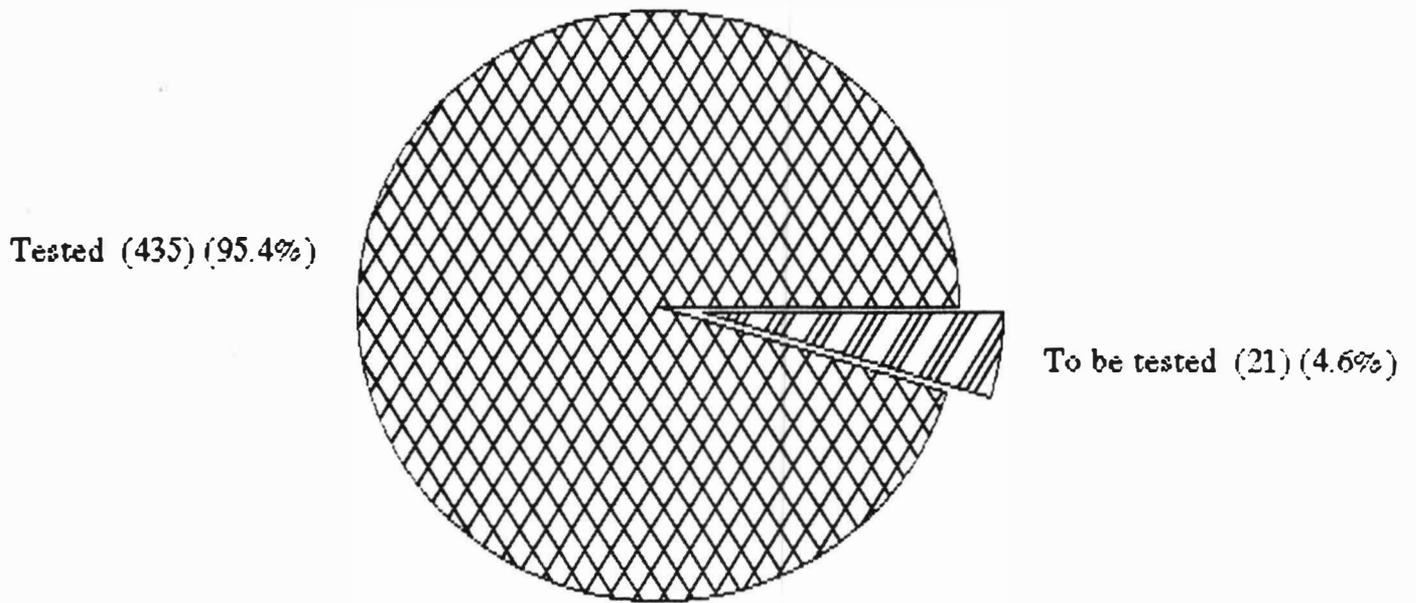
To ensure telecommunications service is adequate, the Commission has emphasized the importance of service testing in all telephone company central offices in the state.

The Commission has embarked on a concentrated program to test and inspect every central office in the state once every two years. A telecommunications technician was hired in 1988 with primary responsibilities in the area of quality of service provided by all telephone companies in the state.

At the end of October 1989, 435 central offices had been tested since the program began in May of 1988. The majority of the offices have met the Commission standards; however, four offices were retested where standards were not met during initial testing.

The testing includes placing local, EAS and toll calls through the use of a Northeast Electronics 41-3A central office analyzer. This equipment enables the operator to simulate subscriber usage by placing both dial pulse and touch tone calls using different loop and leak conditions. All trouble encountered is documented and corrected if possible, and each company is informed of the nature of the trouble encountered when Commission objectives are not attained. Follow-up testing is sometimes necessary to insure trouble has been corrected and necessary maintenance performed at locations which initially failed to meet these objectives. All tests and inspections are designed to make certain each certificated local exchange carrier in Nebraska is providing adequate telecommunications service and is in compliance with Commission Rules and Regulations.

# CENTRAL OFFICE TESTING



# TWO

A review of the availability of diverse and  
affordable telecommunications services to all  
of the people of Nebraska



This chapter examines the availability of diverse and affordable telecommunications services to all of the people of Nebraska.

### CENTRAL OFFICE DATA

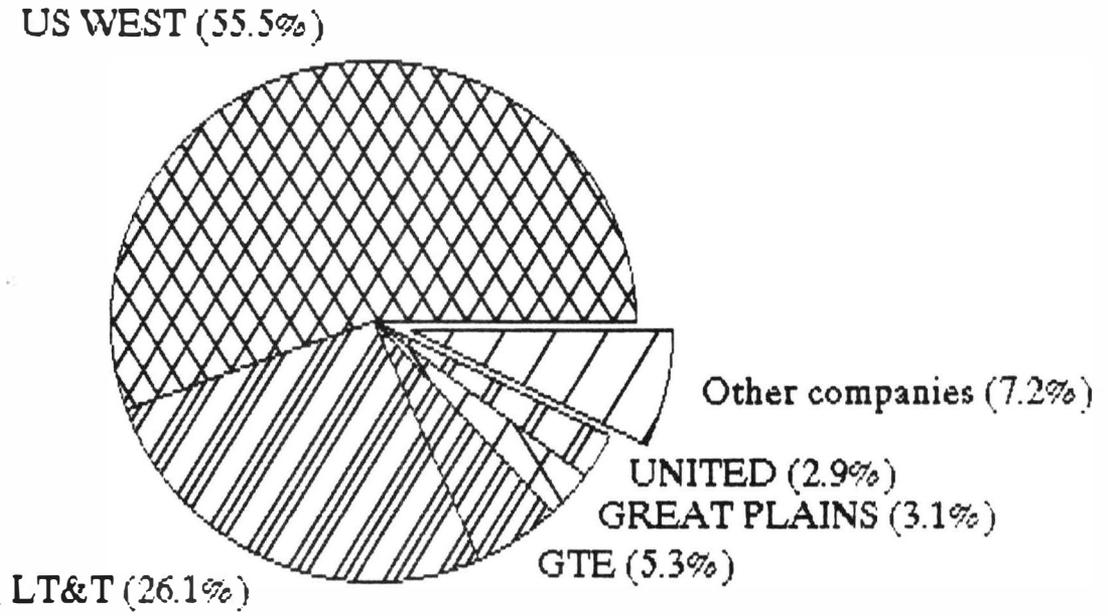
Central offices are the heart of the telecommunications network and an essential element in determining the quality of service provided by local exchange carriers. The technology deployed in these end offices impacts the availability of equal access as well as enhanced services such as call waiting, call forwarding and conference calling. Table 4 shows the type and approximate age of the technology deployed in Nebraska.

Table 4

Switching Technology			
<u>Technology</u>	<u>Number of Switches</u>	<u>Percent Total</u>	<u>Age in Years</u>
Step-by-step	214	46.4%	2-46
Leich Relay	13	2.8%	24-32
Crossbar	36	7.8%	12-30
Electronic	28	6.1%	5-19
Digital	<u>170</u>	<u>36.9%</u>	0-10
Total	461	100.0%	
Source: 1988 Telephone Company Annual Reports, Nebraska Public Service Commission			

# ACCESS LINES

State of Nebraska



Includes unregulated companies such as co-ops.

## ACCESS LINE &amp; EXCHANGE DATA

1/1/89

COMPANY	ACCESS LINES			NUMBER OF EXCHANGES	COMPANY	ACCESS LINES			NUMBER OF EXCHANGES
	BUS.	RES.	TOTAL			BUS.	RES.	TOTAL	
US WEST	116,881	318,796	451,771	95	LT&T	46,713	161,935	212,042	137
LT&T	46,713	161,935	212,042	137	US WEST	116,881	318,796	451,771	95
GTE	9,201	33,618	43,258	37	GREAT PLAINS	3,827	20,467	24,830	54
GREAT PLAINS	3,827	20,467	24,830	54	GTE	9,201	33,618	43,258	37
UNITED	4,764	18,222	23,313	13	UNITED	4,764	18,222	23,313	13
NEBRASKA CENTRAL	893	4,867	5,863	12	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	893	4,867	5,863	12
BLAIR	1,108	4,184	5,326	3	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	364	3,338	3,797	12
HAMILTON	846	3,819	4,780	9	CONSOLIDATED	337	2,368	2,756	12
SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	549	3,274	3,884	2	HAMILTON	846	3,819	4,780	9
NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	364	3,338	3,797	12	GLENWOOD	381	2,168	2,568	9
CONSOLIDATED	337	2,368	2,756	12	EASTERN NEBRASKA	531	1,928	2,459	8
COZAD	494	2,016	2,594	1	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	225	1,207	1,446	5
GLENWOOD	381	2,168	2,568	9	DALTON	244	971	1,229	5
EASTERN NEBRASKA	531	1,928	2,459	8	THREE RIVER	151	1,032	1,189	5
PIERCE	238	1,414	1,698	2	DILLER	72	787	869	4
CONSOLIDATED TELCO	225	1,207	1,446	5	BLAIR	1,108	4,184	5,326	3
HARTINGTON	303	1,016	1,321	1	ARAPAHOE	145	830	989	3
DALTON	244	971	1,229	5	CLARKS	94	843	951	3
THREE RIVER	151	1,032	1,189	5	HARTMAN	0	434	437	3
BENKELMAN	243	913	1,178	1	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	549	3,274	3,884	2
PLAINVIEW	176	955	1,150	1	PIERCE	238	1,414	1,698	2
HOOPER	206	930	1,139	2	HOOPER	206	930	1,139	2
CAMBRIDGE	186	932	1,129	2	CAMBRIDGE	186	932	1,129	2
ROCK COUNTY	228	787	1,021	2	ROCK COUNTY	228	787	1,021	2
STANTON	147	842	999	1	HOME	71	593	669	2
ARAPAHOE	145	830	989	3	K&M	66	545	617	2
CLARKS	94	843	951	3	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	73	475	559	2
ARLINGTON	130	789	919	1	COZAD	494	2,016	2,594	1
HENDERSON	195	670	893	1	HARTINGTON	303	1,016	1,321	1
DILLER	72	787	869	4	BENKELMAN	243	913	1,178	1
HEMINGFORD	100	715	827	1	PLAINVIEW	176	955	1,150	1
CURTIS	160	546	712	1	STANTON	147	842	999	1
HERSHEY	79	586	671	1	ARLINGTON	130	789	919	1
HOME	71	593	669	2	HENDERSON	195	670	893	1
WAUNETA	108	543	662	1	HEMINGFORD	100	715	827	1
K&M	66	545	617	2	CURTIS	160	546	712	1
KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	73	475	559	2	HERSHEY	79	586	671	1
PETERSBURG	50	389	441	1	WAUNETA	108	543	662	1
HARTMAN	0	434	437	3	PETERSBURG	50	389	441	1
EUSTIS	57	369	428	1	EUSTIS	57	369	428	1
ELSIE	24	170	194	1	ELSIE	24	170	194	1
SODTOWN	2	76	78	1	SODTOWN	2	76	78	1
TOTAL	190,662	601,359	813,656	460	TOTAL	190,662	601,359	813,656	460

## EQUAL ACCESS

Equal access is a coding method enabling telephone subscribers to choose the interexchange carrier that will route and bill their toll calls. In exchanges where equal access is offered, subscribers access their selected interexchange carrier simply by dialing a single digit. This is identical to the procedure followed in placing toll calls prior to the availability of equal access. Subsequent to selecting an interexchange carrier, the local exchange carrier must code the subscriber's access line to route toll calls to the interexchange carrier selected by the subscriber. In exchanges where equal access is not available, subscribers must dial extra digits to access the alternative interexchange carrier of their choice.

In Nebraska, equal access is offered in 137 exchanges serving 615,420 access lines or 75.6% of the total access lines. Table 5 shows the exchanges where equal access is offered or will be offered on or before January 1, 1990, the local exchange carrier serving each exchange and the date each exchange was converted to equal access. The number of interexchange carriers varies on each equal access ballot depending upon the interest shown by the interexchange carriers in serving the exchange.

Table 5

## 1/1/90 EQUAL ACCESS EXCHANGES

Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Exchange	Company	Conversion Date
Adams	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Gering	United	25-Jun-88	Omaha-84th St	US West	22-Feb-86
Allen-Waterbury	US West	11-Feb-89	Gordon	US West	31-Dec-89	Orchard	GTE	29-Jul-89
Ashland	LT&T	03-Dec-88	Grand Island	US West	12-Mar-88	Osceola	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Auburn	LT&T	30-Jan-88	Greenwood	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Otoe	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Barneston	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Gretna	US West	07-Dec-85	O'Neill	US West	31-Dec-89
Beatrice	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Hallam	LT&T	20-Jan-87	Palmyra	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Beaver Crossing	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Hansen	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Pender	US West	31-Dec-89
Bellevue	US West	15-Mar-85	Harvard	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Peru	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Bellwood	LT&T	30-May-87	Hastings	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Pickrell	LT&T	03-Dec-88
Benedict	LT&T	30-May-87	Hebron	LT&T	30-May-87	Pilger	US West	11-Feb-89
Bennet	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Hickman	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Platte Center	GTE	28-Feb-86
Bennington	US West	07-Dec-85	Humphrey-Creston	US West	11-Feb-89	Plattsmouth	LT&T	30-May-87
Bradshaw	LT&T	30-May-87	Johnson	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Pleasant Dale	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Brainard	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Julian	LT&T	30-Jan-88	Pleasanton	GTE	13-Dec-86
Brock	LT&T	30-Jan-88	Juniata	LT&T	03-Dec-88	Plymouth	LT&T	28-Mar-87
Broken Bow	US West	31-Dec-88	Kearney	GTE	31-Jan-86	Polk	LT&T	30-May-87
Brownville	LT&T	30-Jan-88	Kenesaw	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Raymond	LT&T	15-Nov-86
Bruno	LT&T	30-May-87	Laurel	US West	11-Feb-89	Republican City	GTE	18-Nov-89
Cairo	US West	12-Mar-88	Liberty	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Riverdale	GTE	31-Jan-86
Carleton	LT&T	30-May-87	Lincoln-15th&M	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Ruskin	LT&T	03-Dec-88
Ceresco	LT&T	30-May-87	Lincoln-27th&OC	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Schuyler	US West	31-Dec-89
Chadron	US West	30-Sep-89	Lincoln-48th&South	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Scottsbluff	United	25-Jun-88
Clay Center	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Lincoln-49th&Walker	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Seward	LT&T	28-Mar-87
Columbus	GTE	28-Feb-86	Lincoln-Air Park	LT&T	06-Jan-87	Shelby	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Cook	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Lindsay	GTE	29-Jul-89	Sidney	US West	03-Dec-88
Cordova	LT&T	10-Nov-87	Louisville	LT&T	12-Dec-87	So. Sioux-Dak. City	US West	11-Feb-89
Cortland	LT&T	20-Jan-87	Malcolm	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Springfield	US West	26-Mar-88
Crab Orchard	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Martell	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Sterling	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Crete	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Mead	LT&T	03-Dec-88	Stromsburg	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Davenport	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Milford	LT&T	02-Dec-89	St. Libory	US West	12-Mar-88
Davey	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Morrill	United	25-Jun-88	Superior	LT&T	12-Dec-87
David City	LT&T	30-May-87	Murdock	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Surprise	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Decatur	US West	31-Dec-89	Nebraska City	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Syracuse	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Denton	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Nehavka	LT&T	30-May-87	Table Rock	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Deveese	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Nelson	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Tamora	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Dorchester	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Nemaha	LT&T	30-Jan-88	Tecumseh	LT&T	02-Dec-89
Dunbar	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Norfolk	US West	11-Feb-89	Union	LT&T	28-Mar-87
Dwight	LT&T	02-Dec-89	North Platte	US West	31-Dec-88	Utica	LT&T	10-Nov-87
Eagle	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Oakland	US West	31-Dec-89	Valley	US West	26-Mar-88
Edgar	LT&T	12-Dec-87	Octavia	LT&T	30-May-87	Valparaiso	LT&T	15-Nov-86
Edison	GTE	16-Dec-89	Omaha-Douglas	US West	13-Apr-85	Wahoo	LT&T	30-May-87
Elkhorn-Waterloo	US West	25-Jan-86	Omaha-78th St	US West	27-Apr-85	Wakefield	US West	11-Feb-89
Exeter	LT&T	30-May-87	Omaha-156th St	US West	04-May-85	Waverly	LT&T	02-Apr-88
Fairmont	LT&T	30-May-87	Omaha-Fort	US West	15-May-85	Weeping Water	LT&T	30-May-87
Firth	LT&T	15-Nov-86	Omaha-90th St	US West	15-Jun-85	Western	LT&T	12-Dec-87
Fremont	US West	13-Dec-86	Omaha-Izard	US West	29-Jun-85	Winside	US West	11-Feb-89
Friend	LT&T	28-Mar-87	Omaha-30th St	US West	07-Dec-85	Wood River	US West	12-Mar-88
Garland	LT&T	02-Dec-89	Omaha-O St	US West	18-Jan-86	York	LT&T	30-May-87
Geneva	LT&T	02-Apr-88						

## EXTENDED AREA SERVICE

Extended area service (EAS) is a service permitting subscribers in one exchange to place and receive two-way switched telecommunications to and from subscribers in one or more other exchanges without an interexchange toll charge. Several companies have a separate non-optional rate for the provision of EAS, which is itemized on the monthly bill; however, many companies currently have not established EAS adders to properly recover related expenses. For those companies, EAS expenses are included in the cost of providing basic local exchange service and recovered as a part of the basic local exchange rate. At present, 350 exchanges provide either 1-way or 2-way EAS to 715,435 access lines or 87.9% of the total access lines in service (See Table 6). The Lincoln Telephone Company provides EAS to 126 of its 137 exchanges representing 96.9% of their access lines in service. Historically, EAS has been provided on a non-optional basis; however, the Lincoln Telephone Company initiated EAS service to the community of Ceresco on an optional basis. This may be the solution to future provision and pricing of EAS.

Current Nebraska Statutes define EAS as separate from basic local exchange service; however, where EAS is provided on a non-optional basis, subscribers logically conclude that EAS is an element of basic local exchange service and the regulatory framework set forth should apply to both services.

Table 6

AVAILABILITY OF EAS				
	<u>EXCHANGES</u>	<u>ACCESS LINES</u>	<u>PERCENT ACCESS LINES</u>	<u>PERCENT EXCHANGES</u>
<u>TOTAL STATE:</u>				
NO EAS	110	98,221	12.1	23.9
2-WAY EAS	278	667,786	82.1	60.4
1-WAY EAS	72	47,649	5.8	15.7
	<u>460</u>	<u>813,656</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
<u>LT&amp;T</u>				
NO EAS	11	6,515	3.1	8.0
2-WAY EAS	54	157,878	74.4	39.4
1-WAY EAS	72	47,649	22.5	52.6
	<u>137</u>	<u>212,042</u>	<u>100.0%</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
Source: 1988 Telephone Company Annual Reports, Nebraska Public Service Commission				

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## EAS-ACCESS LINE DATA

EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
ADAMS	LT&T	0	0	36	2	322	0	8	368
AINSWORTH	US WEST	1	1	323	19	1,214	0	0	1,556
ALBION	GTE	1	1	361	15	1,235	0	0	1,611
ALEXANDRIA	LT&T	2	0	9	1	160	0	1	171
ALLEN-WATERBURY	US WEST	1	1	44	5	321	0	0	370
ALLIANCE	US WEST	1	1	973	54	4,540	0	0	5,567
ALMA	GTE	3	3	219	12	634	0	0	865
AMHERST	GTE	2	2	28	2	266	0	0	296
ANSELMO	CONSOLIDATED	1	1	12	2	200	0	0	214
ANSLEY	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	56	3	460	0	0	519
ARAPAHOE	ARAPAHOE	2	2	118	3	597	9	0	727
ARCADIA	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	0	0	49	3	299	0	0	351
ARCHER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	9	0	87	0	0	96
ARLINGTON	ARLINGTON	1	1	130	0	789	0	0	919
ARNOLD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	109	4	525	0	12	650
ARTHUR	CONSOLIDATED	0	0	28	4	190	0	0	222
ASHLAND	LT&T	0	0	187	54	1,647	0	52	1,940
ASHTON	US WEST	1	1	25	1	182	0	0	208
ATKINSON	US WEST	2	2	211	10	1,048	0	0	1,269
ATLANTA	US WEST	1	1	15	0	92	0	0	107
AUBURN	LT&T	0	5	246	29	1,842	14	131	2,262
AURORA	HAMILTON	8	8	571	27	1,891	31	0	2,520
AVOCA	LT&T	2	2	12	1	198	0	7	218
AXTELL	US WEST	2	2	70	3	347	0	0	420
BANCROFT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	64	2	388	0	3	457
BARNESTON	LT&T	3	3	9	3	149	0	2	163
BARTLETT	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	32	4	104	0	15	155
BARTLEY	CAMBRIDGE	1	1	35	1	199	0	2	237
BASSETT	ROCK COUNTY	1	1	205	5	599	0	0	809
BATTLE CREEK	GTE	2	2	105	2	638	0	0	745
BAYARD	UNITED	6	6	112	3	815	0	0	930
BEATRICE	LT&T	2	6	717	116	5,995	18	532	7,378
BEAVER CITY	GTE	0	0	100	3	396	0	0	499
BEAVER CROSSING	LT&T	1	0	10	2	309	0	9	330
BEEMER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	100	5	421	0	5	531
BELDEN	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	25	0	105	0	0	130
BELGRADE (SEE CEDAR RAPIDS)	US WEST	2	2						
BELLEVUE	US WEST	6	6	3,002	223	14,932	0	0	18,157
BELLWOOD	LT&T	1	0	17	3	345	0	10	375
BENEDICT	LT&T	1	0	17	2	210	0	4	233
BENKELMAN	BENKELMAN	0	0	243	8	913	14	0	1,178
BENNET	LT&T	19	19	27	4	505	0	8	544
BENNINGTON	US WEST	6	6	84	4	741	0	0	829
BERTRAND	GTE	1	1	98	2	509	0	0	609
BIG SPRINGS	US WEST	1	1	62	22	344	0	0	428

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
BLAIR	BLAIR	3	3	987	28	3,375	0	0	4,390
BLOOMFIELD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	185	3	915	0	9	1,112
BLOOMINGTON	GTE	2	2	20	2	138	0	0	160
BLUE HILL	GLENWOOD	1	1	345	11	1,920	7	0	2,283
BOELUS	US WEST	3	3	17	1	158	0	0	176
BRADSHAW	LT&T	1	0	20	4	207	0	4	235
BRADY	HOME	0	0	33	2	338	0	0	373
BRAINARD	LT&T	1	1	24	6	332	0	12	374
BREWSTER	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	13	2	90	0	0	105
BRIDGEPORT	US WEST	0	0	269	15	1,004	0	0	1,288
BRISTOW (SEE SPENCER)	US WEST	3	3						
BROADWATER	UNITED	0	0	30	1	160	0	0	191
BROCK	LT&T	1	0	11	1	129	0	4	145
BROKEN BOW	US WEST	0	0	559	24	1,967	0	0	2,550
BROWNLEE	CONSOLIDATED	4	4	0	0	80	0	0	80
BROWNVILLE	LT&T	1	0	38	6	114	0	24	182
BRULE	US WEST	2	2	53	5	273	0	0	331
BRUNING	LT&T	1	0	29	3	255	0	10	297
BRUNO	LT&T	1	0	10	2	211	0	2	225
BRUNSWICK	GTE	2	2	43	2	209	0	0	254
BURCHARD	LT&T	1	0	15	2	158	0	3	178
BURR	LT&T	0	0	14	1	103	0	3	121
BURWELL	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	4	4	231	19	941	22	0	1,213
BUSHNELL	DALTON	0	0	32	1	154	0	0	187
BUTTE	US WEST	3	3	54	2	303	0	0	359
BYRON	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	23	1	190	0	2	216
CAIRO	US WEST	2	2	60	4	470	0	0	534
CALLAWAY	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	83	2	434	0	7	526
CAMBRIDGE	CAMBRIDGE	1	1	151	8	733	0	0	892
CARLETON	LT&T	1	0	15	2	109	0	1	127
CARROLL	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	30	0	245	0	0	275
CEDAR BLUFFS	LT&T	1	0	26	3	417	0	8	454
CEDAR RAPIDS-PRIMROSE-BELGRADE	US WEST	2	2	79	3	544	0	0	626
CENTER	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	39	2	84	0	4	129
CENTRAL CITY	US WEST	2	2	329	21	1,484	0	0	1,834
CERESCO	LT&T	20	19	36	5	420	0	14	475
CHADRON	US WEST	2	2	627	46	2,605	0	0	3,278
CHAMBERS	K&M	2	2	58	1	383	1	3	446
CHAPMAN	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	29	3	270	0	0	302
CHAPPELL	UNITED	0	0	156	7	602	0	0	765
CHESTER-HUBBELL-REYNOLDS	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	60	6	365	0	0	431
CLARKS	CLARKS	0	0	54	3	378	9	0	444
CLARKSON	US WEST	0	0	68	1	552	0	0	621
CLATONIA	LT&T	1	1	17	2	177	0	5	201
CLAY CENTER	LT&T	0	5	84	8	418	0	51	561

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
CLEARWATER	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	58	1	404	12	7	482
CODY	US WEST	0	0	32	2	166	0	0	200
COLERIDGE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	66	3	423	0	20	512
COLON	LT&T	1	0	6	1	133	0	1	141
COLUMBUS	GTE	3	3	2,512	119	8,660	0	0	11,291
COMSTOCK	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	12	1	144	0	0	157
COOK	LT&T	1	0	28	1	297	0	13	339
CORDOVA	LT&T	1	0	13	3	116	0	4	136
CORTLAND	LT&T	19	19	11	3	339	0	0	353
COTESFIELD	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	6	1	78	0	0	85
COZAD	COZAD	0	0	494	16	2,016	0	68	2,594
CRAB ORCHARD	LT&T	1	0	7	1	78	0	2	88
CRAIG	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	15	3	267	0	1	286
CRAWFORD-WHITNEY	US WEST	3	3	163	17	889	0	0	1,069
CREIGHTON	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	144	6	796	0	28	974
CRESTON (SEE HUMPHREY)	US WEST	2	2						
CRETE	LT&T	0	1	252	60	2,267	0	191	2,770
CROFTON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	97	8	748	0	5	858
CROOKSTON	US WEST	1	1	12	0	125	0	0	137
CULBERTSON	US WEST	1	1	56	4	514	0	0	574
CURTIS	CURTIS	1	1	160	6	546	0	0	712
DAKOTA CITY (SEE S. SIOUX CITY)	US WEST	2	2						
DALTON	DALTON	0	0	64	5	270	0	0	339
DANBURY	HARTMAN	1	1	0	1	155	0	0	156
DANNEBROG	US WEST	3	3	31	2	286	0	0	319
DAVENPORT	LT&T	0	0	39	2	302	0	7	350
DAVEY	LT&T	19	19	15	3	349	0	4	371
DAVID CITY	LT&T	1	6	151	37	1,351	10	132	1,681
DAWSON	LT&T	1	0	19	3	180	0	5	207
DAYKIN	LT&T	1	0	13	3	201	0	8	225
DECATUR	US WEST	2	2	48	3	341	0	0	392
DENTON	LT&T	19	19	11	3	295	0	0	309
DESHLER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	92	3	565	0	8	668
DEWEESE	LT&T	2	0	6	2	121	0	1	130
DEWITT	LT&T	2	1	29	5	399	0	25	458
DILLER	DILLER	2	2	24	3	259	0	0	286
DIX	DALTON	0	0	40	1	132	0	0	173
DIXON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	31	2	249	0	0	282
DODGE	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	88	2	495	0	3	588
DONIPHAN	HAMILTON	7	7	75	5	468	44	0	592
DORCHESTER	LT&T	1	0	24	3	384	0	12	423
DOUGLAS	LT&T	1	1	12	2	161	0	2	177
DUBOIS	LT&T	1	1	16	1	185	0	3	205
DUNBAR	LT&T	1	1	15	3	249	0	2	269
DUNCAN	GTE	1	1	45	3	289	0	0	337

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
DUNNING	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	19	6	157	0	0	182
DWIGHT	LT&T	2	1	13	2	151	0	4	170
EAGLE	LT&T	19	19	36	7	691	0	5	739
EDGAR	LT&T	1	0	45	4	326	0	13	388
EDISON	GTE	1	1	30	1	128	0	0	159
ELBA	US WEST	3	3	21	1	124	0	0	146
ELGIN	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	117	4	634	0	5	760
ELK CREEK	LT&T	1	0	11	0	131	0	5	147
ELKHORN-WATERLOO	US WEST	6	6	473	36	2,936	0	0	3,445
ELM CREEK	US WEST	2	2	78	11	543	0	0	632
ELMWOOD	LT&T	1	1	41	2	407	0	9	459
ELSIE	ELSIE MUTUAL	0	0	24	0	170	0	0	194
ELWOOD	US WEST	1	1	119	7	854	0	0	980
EMERSON	US WEST	0	0	72	5	513	0	0	590
ERICSON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	25	3	171	0	0	199
EUSTIS	EUSTIS	0	0	57	2	369	0	0	428
EWING	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	60	4	287	0	16	367
EXETER	LT&T	0	1	36	2	383	0	14	435
FAIRBURY	LT&T	0	4	334	39	2,509	17	153	3,052
FAIRFIELD	LT&T	1	1	31	1	271	0	23	326
FAIRMONT	LT&T	1	0	47	5	351	0	8	411
FALLS CITY	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	1	1	511	19	2,721	0	37	3,288
FARNAM	US WEST	0	0	26	1	172	0	0	199
FARWELL	US WEST	3	3	18	1	128	0	0	147
FILLEY	LT&T	1	0	10	2	174	0	3	189
FIRTH	LT&T	19	19	21	5	343	0	14	383
FORT CALHOUN	BLAIR	2	2	95	5	541	0	0	641
FRANKLIN	GTE	3	3	181	8	650	0	0	839
FREMONT	US WEST	0	0	2,403	204	11,173	0	0	13,780
FRIEND	LT&T	0	0	81	9	627	0	20	737
FULLERTON	US WEST	1	1	157	11	798	0	0	966
FUNK	GLENWOOD	3	3	36	1	248	0	0	285
GARLAND	LT&T	1	0	7	3	193	0	2	205
GENEVA	LT&T	0	4	259	22	1,233	18	107	1,639
GENOA	GTE	1	1	117	7	583	0	0	707
GERING	UNITED	6	6	637	19	3,414	0	24	4,094
GIBBON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	171	11	866	0	0	1,048
GILTNER	HAMILTON	5	5	41	1	256	0	0	298
GLENVIL	LT&T	1	1	23	1	277	0	16	317
GORDON	US WEST	1	1	337	18	1,367	0	0	1,722
GOTHENBURG	US WEST	0	0	366	18	1,653	0	0	2,037
GRAFTON	LT&T	1	0	17	2	114	0	2	135
GRAND ISLAND	US WEST	6	6	6,040	296	16,358	21	0	22,715
GRANT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	247	8	745	0	45	1,045
GREELEY	GTE	3	3	88	2	294	0	0	384

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES				TOTAL	
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE		OTHER
GREENWOOD	LT&T	19	19	19	2	227	0	1	249
GRESHAM	LT&T	1	1	17	3	282	0	5	307
GRETNA	US WEST	6	6	176	21	1,333	0	0	1,530
GUIDE ROCK	LT&T	0	0	26	1	254	0	4	285
GURLEY	DALTON	0	0	51	2	134	0	0	187
HAIGLER	HARTMAN	0	0	0	1	205	0	0	206
HALLAM	LT&T	19	19	9	2	196	0	6	213
HALSEY	CONSOLIDATED	5	5	25	3	72	0	0	100
HAMPTON	HAMILTON	4	4	61	2	294	0	0	357
HANSEN	LT&T	5	5	24	1	260	0	17	302
HARBINE	DILLER	2	2	6	1	112	0	0	119
HARDY	LT&T	1	1	21	2	154	0	5	182
HARRISON	US WEST	2	2	61	4	274	0	0	339
HARTINGTON	HARTINGTON	0	0	303	0	1,016	2	0	1,321
HARVARD	LT&T	1	0	45	4	475	0	17	541
HASTINGS	LT&T	4	4	1,216	199	9,986	63	1,247	12,711
HAY SPRINGS	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	79	3	459	0	11	552
HAYES CENTER	GREAT PLAINS		1	50	3	254	0	8	315
HEARTWELL	GTE	1	1	27	1	89	0	0	117
HEBRON	LT&T	0	3	197	17	983	0	61	1,258
HEMINGFORD	HEMINGFORD COOP	1	1	100	12	715	0	0	827
HENDERSON	HENDERSON COOP	0	0	195	8	670	20	0	893
HENDLEY	ARAPAHOE	2	2	5	1	49	0	0	55
HERMAN	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	34	2	329	0	0	365
HERSHEY	HERSHEY COOP	0	0	79	5	586	0	1	671
HICKMAN	LT&T	19	19	40	3	690	0	7	740
HILDRETH	GTE	1	1	58	2	309	0	0	369
HOLBROOK	ARAPAHOE	2	2	22	1	184	0	0	207
HOLDREGE	US WEST	3	3	745	31	2,791	0	0	3,567
HOMER	US WEST	2	2	41	3	346	0	0	390
HOOPER	HOOPER	1	1	158	2	734	0	0	894
HORDVILLE	HAMILTON	5	5	16	1	118	0	0	135
HOSKINS	PIERCE	1	1	34	3	308	0	0	345
HOWELLS	US WEST	0	0	69	2	534	0	0	605
HUBBELL (SEE CHESTER)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
HUMBOLDT	LT&T	0	1	89	9	713	0	41	852
HUMPHREY-CRESTON	US WEST	2	2	132	6	860	0	0	998
HYANNIS	CONSOLIDATED	0	0	49	11	505	0	0	565
IMPERIAL	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	382	11	1,274	0	24	1,691
INDIANOLA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	70	3	458	0	12	543
INMAN	K&M	2	2	8	0	162	0	1	171
ITHACA	LT&T	1	0	11	1	126	0	3	141
JACKSON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	40	4	387	0	1	432
JANSEN	LT&T	1	0	12	3	138	0	6	159
JOHNSON	LT&T	1	0	28	3	319	0	9	359

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
JOHNSTOWN	THREE RIVER	0	0	13	0	104	0	0	117
JULIAN	LT&T	1	0	1	1	80	0	3	85
JUNIATA	LT&T	4	4	34	2	481	0	30	547
KEARNEY	GTE	4	4	3,061	174	10,058	0	0	13,293
KENESAW	LT&T	4	4	38	6	391	0	23	458
KENNARD	BLAIR	3	3	26	1	268	0	0	295
KEYSTONE	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	1	1	45	4	144	0	0	193
KILGORE	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	7	1	80	0	0	88
KIMBALL	UNITED	0	0	522	22	1,460	0	21	2,025
LAUREL	US WEST	0	0	111	8	622	0	0	741
LEBANON	HARTMAN	1	1	0	1	74	0	0	75
LEIGH	GTE	0	0	80	3	437	0	0	520
LEMOYNE	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	1	1	28	7	331	0	0	366
LEWELLEN	UNITED	1	1	57	1	289	0	0	347
LEXINGTON	US WEST	2	2	852	49	3,185	0	0	4,086
LIBERTY	LT&T	3	3	7	2	129	0	2	140
LINCOLN 15&M STREET	LT&T	19	19						
LINCOLN 15&M STREET	LT&T	19	19	3,605	912	27,572	196	19,225	51,510
LINCOLN 15&M STREET	LT&T	19	19						
LINCOLN 15&M STREET	LT&T	19	19						
LINCOLN 15&M STREET	LT&T	19	19						
LINCOLN 27&OLD CHENEY	LT&T	19	19	630	72	10,173	0	670	11,545
LINCOLN 48&SOUTH	LT&T	19	19	1,503	202	21,353	0	1,896	24,954
LINCOLN 49&WALKER	LT&T	19	19	1,876	343	17,672	0	2,333	22,224
LINCOLN AIR PARK	LT&T	19	19	53	39	1,242	0	47	1,381
LINDSAY	GTE	2	2	92	3	282	0	0	377
LINWOOD-MORSE BLUFFS	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	21	4	275	0	2	302
LITCHFIELD	US WEST	0	0	29	2	236	0	0	267
LODGEPOLE	DALTON	0	0	57	5	281	0	0	343
LONG PINE	US WEST	1	1	36	2	276	0	0	314
LOOMIS	US WEST	2	2	47	3	287	0	0	337
LOUISVILLE	LT&T	0	0	60	21	883	0	31	995
LOUP CITY	US WEST	1	1	151	14	783	0	0	948
LYMAN	UNITED	6	6	58	1	329	0	1	389
LYNCH	THREE RIVER	0	0	46	2	267	0	0	315
LYONS	US WEST	3	3	130	4	713	0	0	847
MACY	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	67	0	78	0	0	145
MADISON	GTE	0	0	229	16	1,056	0	0	1,301
MADRID	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	43	2	184	0	0	229
MALCOLM	LT&T	19	19	9	6	419	0	5	439
MARQUETTE	HAMILTON	5	5	21	1	272	0	0	294
MARTELL	LT&T	19	19	11	5	293	0	9	318
MARTINSBURG	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	3	1	83	0	0	87
MASON CITY	US WEST	1	1	19	1	167	0	0	187
MAXWELL	HOME	0	0	38	3	255	0	0	296

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## EAS-ACCESS LINE DATA

EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES				TOTAL	
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE		OTHER
MAYWOOD	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	2	2	38	2	243	0	0	283
McCOOK	US WEST	1	1	1,131	58	3,901	0	0	5,090
McCOOL	LT&T	1	0	46	3	326	0	5	380
MEAD	LT&T	1	1	41	6	288	0	14	349
MEADOW GROVE	EASTERN NEBRASKA	2	2	38	0	298	0	0	336
MERNA	CONSOLIDATED	1	1	30	3	296	0	0	329
MERRIMAN	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	22	2	128	0	10	162
MILFORD	LT&T	1	0	82	25	1,070	0	80	1,257
MILLER	GTE	2	2	24	2	120	0	0	146
MILLIGAN	LT&T	0	0	33	2	258	0	8	301
MINATARE	UNITED	6	6	101	7	968	0	0	1,076
MINDEN	US WEST	3	3	326	18	1,491	0	0	1,835
MIRAGE FLATS	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	7	0	141	0	0	148
MITCHELL	UNITED	6	6	191	4	1,217	0	0	1,412
MONROE	GTE	3	3	55	1	227	0	0	283
MORRILL	UNITED	6	6	176	6	899	0	6	1,087
MULLEN	CONSOLIDATED	0	0	84	4	412	0	0	500
MURDOCK	LT&T	1	1	15	2	248	0	9	274
MURRAY	LT&T	1	0	30	7	669	0	20	726
NAPER	THREE RIVER	0	0	22	1	209	0	0	232
NAPONEE	GTE	2	2	23	1	110	0	0	134
NEBRASKA CITY	LT&T	0	5	474	67	3,181	22	261	4,005
NEHAWKA	LT&T	0	0	17	5	194	0	9	225
NELIGH	GTE	2	2	335	14	923	0	0	1,272
NELSON	LT&T	0	1	65	7	515	0	11	598
NEMAHA	LT&T	1	0	6	1	131	0	3	141
NEWCASTLE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	34	1	285	0	5	325
NEWMAN GROVE	GTE	2	2	113	2	561	0	0	676
NEWPORT	ROCK COUNTY	1	1	23	1	188	0	0	212
NIobrara	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	76	4	310	0	5	395
NORFOLK	US WEST	1	1	3,175	193	10,073	3	0	13,444
NORTH BEND	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	169	9	730	0	8	916
NORTH BURWELL	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	4	4	10	0	97	0	0	107
NORTH LOUP	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	48	2	273	22	0	345
NORTH PLATTE	US WEST	0	0	2,927	183	10,462	9	0	13,581
OAKDALE	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	24	1	186	0	0	211
OAKLAND	US WEST	3	3	146	8	810	0	0	964
OBERT	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	5	0	103	0	1	109
OCONTO	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	29	4	247	0	1	281
OCTAVIA	LT&T	1	0	4	0	120	0	2	126
ODELL	DILLER	2	2	32	5	344	0	0	381
OGALLALA	US WEST	1	1	852	101	2,479	0	0	3,432
OHIOWA	LT&T	1	0	17	2	158	0	5	182
OMAHA-135TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	8,013	204	16,439	0	0	35,302
OMAHA-156TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	2,348	130	10,315	0	0	12,793

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
OMAHA-78TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	2,581	143	11,313	0	0	14,037
OMAHA-84TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	7,565	259	18,943	0	0	26,767
OMAHA-90TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	15,761	457	18,496	0	0	34,714
OMAHA-DOUGLAS	US WEST	6	6	30,850	853	16,882	142	0	48,727
OMAHA-FORT STREET	US WEST	6	6	3,565	91	13,242	0	0	16,898
OMAHA-FOWLER ST.	US WEST	6	6	1,809	204	20,677	0	0	22,690
OMAHA-IZARD STREET	US WEST	6	6	5,549	354	28,491	0	0	34,394
OMAHA-O STREET	US WEST	6	6	3,272	253	19,021	0	0	22,546
ONG	LT&T	1	0	6	1	74	0	2	83
ORCHARD	GTE	2	2	119	4	370	0	0	493
ORD	GTE	2	2	443	11	1,469	0	0	1,923
ORLEANS	GTE	3	3	67	2	316	0	0	385
OSCEOLA	LT&T	0	1	102	4	590	0	41	737
OSHKOSH	UNITED	1	1	186	4	741	0	0	931
OSMOND	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	136	0	467	0	0	603
OTOE	LT&T	2	0	7	1	118	0	3	129
OVERTON	US WEST	2	2	59	6	393	0	0	458
OXFORD	US WEST	1	1	132	4	474	0	0	610
O'NEILL	US WEST	8	8	643	39	2,167	0	0	2,849
PAGE	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	25	1	190	0	2	218
PALISADE	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	51	2	306	0	8	367
PALMER	GTE	1	1	62	3	377	0	0	442
PALMYRA	LT&T	19	19	29	3	346	0	5	383
PANAMA	LT&T	19	19	21	1	199	0	2	223
PAWNEE CITY	LT&T	1	4	84	7	669	0	32	792
PAXTON	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	74	5	400	0	0	479
PENDER	US WEST	0	0	186	10	870	0	0	1,066
PERU	LT&T	1	0	28	22	393	0	10	453
PETERSBURG	PETERSBURG	0	0	50	2	389	0	0	441
PHILLIPS	HAMILTON	6	6	38	3	315	0	0	356
PICKRELL	LT&T	1	0	18	4	249	0	5	276
PIERCE	PIERCE	1	1	204	14	1,106	0	29	1,353
PILGER	US WEST	0	0	46	2	330	0	0	378
PLAINVIEW	PLAINVIEW	0	0	176	15	955	1	3	1,150
PLATTE CENTER	GTE	2	2	63	2	421	0	0	486
PLATTSMOUTH	LT&T	0	1	277	43	3,197	9	142	3,668
PLEASANT DALE	LT&T	19	19	11	3	274	0	0	288
PLEASANTON	GTE	1	1	76	1	307	0	0	384
PLYMOUTH	LT&T	1	0	33	3	343	0	19	398
POLK	LT&T	1	0	34	2	368	0	10	414
PONCA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	104	5	506	0	6	621
POTTER	UNITED	0	0	50	1	278	0	0	329
PRAGUE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	27	1	356	0	2	386
PRIMROSE (SEE CEDAR RAPIDS)	US WEST	2	2						
PURDUM	CONSOLIDATED	5	5	6		90	0	0	97

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
RAGAN-HUNTLEY	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	9	1	120	0	0	130
RANDOLPH	US WEST	0	0	102	7	731	0	0	840
RAVENNA	US WEST	1	1	141	11	936	0	0	1,088
RAYMOND	LT&T	19	19	9	7	313	0	0	329
RED CLOUD-RIVERTON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	188	7	920	0	15	1,130
REPUBLICAN CITY	GTE	2	2	52	6	259	0	0	317
REYNOLDS (SEE CHESTER)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
RISING CITY	LT&T	1	0	22	2	303	0	9	336
RIVERDALE	GTE	1	1	48	1	218	0	0	267
RIVERTON (SEE RED CLOUD)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
ROCKVILLE	US WEST	1	1	9	1	80	0	0	90
ROSALIE	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	19	0	136	0	0	155
RUSHVILLE	US WEST	1	1	164	8	657	0	0	829
RUSKIN	LT&T	1	0	20	3	145	0	1	169
SARGENT	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	89	6	497	0	0	592
SCHUYLER	US WEST	0	0	371	33	2,137	0	0	2,541
SCOTIA	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	57	1	276	0	0	334
SCOTTSBLUFF	UNITED	6	6	2,488	82	7,050	0	117	9,737
SCRIBNER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	104	6	600	0	8	718
SENECA	CONSOLIDATED	2	2	5	1	68	0	0	74
SEWARD	LT&T	1	6	334	54	2,676	0	300	3,364
SHELBY	LT&T	1	0	45	4	457	0	17	523
SHELTON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	105	7	605	0	0	717
SHICKLEY	LT&T	1	1	42	2	291	0	11	346
SIDNEY	US WEST	0	0	1,060	59	2,942	4	0	4,065
SILVER CREEK	US WEST	0	0	54	5	324	0	0	383
SNYDER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	46	3	249	0	1	299
SODTOWN	SODTOWN TELEPHONE	1	1	2	0	76	0	0	78
SOUTH SIOUX CITY-DAKOTA CITY	US WEST	2	2	1,237	92	4,846	0	0	6,175
SPALDING	US WEST	2	2	78	3	424	0	0	505
SPENCER-BRISTOW	US WEST	3	3	84	6	480	0	0	570
SPRINGFIELD	US WEST	6	6	81	11	961	0	0	1,053
SPRINGVIEW	THREE RIVER	0	0	65	2	363	0	0	430
STAMFORD	GTE	2	2	33	1	176	0	0	210
STANTON	STANTON	0	0	147	5	842	0	5	999
STAPLEHURST	CLARKS	2	1	17	1	249	0	0	267
STAPLETON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	51	1	340	0	6	398
STEELE CITY	LT&T	1	0	5	1	90	0	2	98
STEINAUER	LT&T	1	0	11	1	111	0	3	126
STERLING	LT&T	1	0	35	2	414	0	7	458
STOCKHAM	HAMILTON	8	8	6	0	62	0	0	68
STRATTON	US WEST	1	1	50	3	304	0	0	357
STROMSBURG	LT&T	0	1	81	7	735	0	38	861
STUART	US WEST	2	2	65	5	420	0	0	490
ST. EDWARD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	86	1	541	0	9	637

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES				TOTAL	
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE		OTHER
ST. LIBORY	US WEST	2	2	21	1	321	0	0	343
ST. PAUL	US WEST	6	6	221	12	1,091	0	0	1,324
SUMNER	GTE	1	1	37	3	174	0	0	214
SUPERIOR	LT&T	1	1	218	26	1,321	0	102	1,667
SURPRISE	LT&T	2	0	4	1	90	0	2	97
SUTHERLAND	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	112	12	588	0	8	720
SUTTON	LT&T	1	0	126	8	880	0	57	1,071
SWANTON	LT&T	1	1	7	2	100	0	4	113
SYRACUSE	LT&T	2	2	157	18	966	0	46	1,187
TABLE ROCK	LT&T	1	0	24	1	223	0	8	256
TALMAGE	LT&T	1	0	21	3	216	0	3	243
TAMDRA	LT&T	1	0	15	2	168	0	8	193
TAYLOR	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	3	3	40	3	238	0	0	281
TECUMSEH	LT&T	0	4	144	23	1,100	13	66	1,346
TEKAMAH	US WEST	3	3	216	11	1,018	0	0	1,245
THEDFORD	CONSOLIDATED	4	4	66	10	208	4	0	288
TILDEN	GTE	1	1	121	5	603	0	0	729
TOBIAS	LT&T	0	0	15	1	136	0	2	154
TRENTON	US WEST	1	1	80	6	393	0	0	479
TRI-CITY	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	1	1	38	5	553	0	0	596
TRUMBULL	HAMILTON	4	4	17	0	143	0	0	160
TRYON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	18	1	203	0	0	222
UEHLING	HOOPER	1	1	48	1	196	0	0	245
ULYSSES	CLARKS	1	1	23	1	216	0	0	240
UNADILLA	LT&T	1	1	12	4	236	0	11	263
UNION	LT&T	1	0	18	3	378	0	3	402
UTICA	LT&T	2	1	36	7	433	0	21	497
VALENTINE	US WEST	1	1	464	25	1,637	0	0	2,126
VALLEY	US WEST	6	6	279	19	1,534	0	0	1,832
VALPARAISO	LT&T	19	19	29	4	428	0	10	471
VENANGO	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	31	2	136	0	20	189
VERDEL	THREE RIVER	0	0	5	1	89	0	0	95
VERDIGRE	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	73	2	433	0	6	514
VIRGINIA	DILLER	0	0	10	1	72	0	0	83
WACO	LT&T	1	1	18	12	274	0	8	312
WAHOO	LT&T	0	6	247	29	1,764	5	143	2,188
WAKEFIELD	US WEST	0	0	107	7	719	0	0	833
WALLACE	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	53	3	240	0	0	296
WALNUT	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	1	0	70	0	0	71
WALTHILL	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	99	0	376	0	0	475
WATERBURY (SEE ALLEN)	US WEST	1	1						
WATERLOO (SEE ELKHORN)	US WEST	6	6						
WAUNETA	WAUNETA	0	0	108	4	543	7	0	662
WAUSA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	93	2	539	0	6	640
WAVERLY	LT&T	19	19	77	16	946	0	81	1,120

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES				TOTAL	
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE		OTHER
WAYNE	US WEST	0	0	486	89	2,198	0	0	2,773
WEeping WATER	LT&T	1	1	99	13	603	0	32	747
WELLFLEET	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	1	1	17	2	140	0	0	159
WEST POINT	US WEST	0	0	461	24	1,897	0	0	2,382
WESTERN	LT&T	1	1	18	3	218	0	3	242
WESTON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	32	3	402	0	2	439
WHITNEY (SEE CRAWFORD)	US WEST	3	3						
WILBER	LT&T	0	0	84	14	893	0	48	1,039
WILCOX	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	37	1	225	0	8	271
WILSONVILLE	GTE	0	0	36	1	127	0	0	164
WINNEBAGO	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	117	0	223	0	0	340
WINNETOON	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	10	0	126	0	1	137
WINSIDE	US WEST	0	0	36	1	328	0	0	365
WISNER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	194	10	860	0	14	1,078
WOLBACH	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	31	3	220	0	2	256
WOOD LAKE	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	5	1	100	0	1	107
WOOD RIVER	US WEST	2	2	103	10	681	0	0	794
WYMORE	LT&T	2	2	95	15	993	0	18	1,121
WYMOT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	57	4	572	0	12	645
YORK	LT&T	0	5	546	105	3,654	22	512	4,839
YUTAN	LT&T	1	0	31	8	591	0	10	640
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TOTAL				160,960	9,460	601,359	791	30,440	813,656

42 - COMPANIES  
460 - EXCHANGES  
461 - CENTRAL OFFICES

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## NEBRASKA INDUSTRY STRUCTURE

As in the past, the Nebraska industry has experienced a structural shift in our local telecommunications companies. Nebraska Central applied for authority to purchase Rodeo Telephone Company. Its application was granted December 6, 1988.

The structure and makeup of the interexchange (long distance) industry is changing with the number of providers entering the state increasing rapidly. In 1989, seven new companies applied for certification in the state. They are:

ALLNET COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC. (granted)  
ITT COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC. (granted)  
LONG DISTANCE/USA INC. (withdrawn)  
ONLINE COMMUNICATIONS INC. (pending)  
TELENATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS LTD. PARTNERSHIP (granted)  
TELESPHERE TELEPHONE INC. (denied)  
VICOM INC. (pending)

A complete list of interexchange carriers authorized to operate in the state is shown in Table 7.

Table 7

<u>Company</u>	<u>InterLATA Authority</u>	<u>Date Granted</u>	<u>IntraLATA Authority</u>	<u>Date Granted</u>
AT&T	X	12/83	X	12/86
US Sprint	X	8/85	X	12/86
MCI	X	8/85	X	12/86
Lintel Systems	X	3/86	N/A	
Teleconnect	X	11/86	X	3/87
TelaMarketing (TMC)	X	12/86	X	6/87
Dial-Net	X	2/87	N/A	
Western Union	X	10/87	N/A	
International Telecharge, Inc. (ITI)	X	8/88	N/A	
United Telephone Long Distance	X	4/88	N/A	
MidAmerican	X	10/88	N/A	
Communications Service, Inc.	X	7/89	X	7/89
Allnet Communica- tions Services	X	8/89	X	8/89
Telenational Communications Ltd. Partnership	X	7/89	X	7/89
Online Communica- tions		(pending)		
Vicom, Inc.		(pending)		

# THREE

A review of the level of rates of local exchange companies and interexchange companies



This section summarizes the financial status of the local exchange companies operating in Nebraska. The total gross investment in telephone plant in service for 1988 was \$1.786 billion, an increase of 3.7% over the 1987 investment of \$1.723 billion. Net operating income for Nebraska companies was \$104 million for 1988, an increase of 3.8% over 1987. The combined rate of return for all companies in Nebraska was 10.72% for 1987 and 10.68% for 1988.

Basic local rate increases reflected in the 1988 results are as follows:

- 1) Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, serving approximately 2,400 access lines, was authorized to increase rates \$174,551 effective December 8, 1987.
- 2) General Telephone Company, serving approximately 42,000 access lines, implemented a 10% increase under the 1986 Telecommunications Act, effective December 1, 1987, generating approximately \$650,000 in additional revenue annually.

Local service increases that are not incorporated in the 1988 results or are pending at the present time are:

- 1) Plainview Telephone Company, serving approximately 1,100 access lines implemented the statutory provisions allowing for up to a 30% increase on basic local rates. The increase was effective July 1, 1989, and will generate approximately \$16,000 in additional annual revenues.
- 2) Lincoln Telephone Company, serving approximately 212,000 access lines, implemented an 8% increase in June 1989, which will generate approximately \$3,000,000 annually. This increase consisted of \$2,200,000 in basic local service and the remainder on service charges and equipment rental.
- 3) Cambridge Telephone Company, serving approximately 1,100 access lines, currently has an application pending before the Commission to increase local service rates \$120,000 annually.
- 4) United Telephone Company, serving approximately 23,000 access lines, is proposing a 7.5% increase under the 1986 Telecommunications Act. Under the law, 5% of the customers must petition the Commission for rate review or the increase will take effect as proposed in December of 1989. The increase represents approximately \$340,000 annually.

The Commission audit staff has reviewed the financial position of the companies mentioned above as well as Clarks and Southeast Nebraska telephone companies through on-site audits. Testimony has been filed and presented in hearings on the Eastern Nebraska and Cambridge Telephone Company applications. Reports have been issued for all other companies. The following tables provide a comparison of the individual company's rates of return on their net investment devoted to Nebraska operations.

Effective January 1, 1988, all telephone companies changed their method of accounting regarding capitalization or expensing of certain costs due to implementation of a new accounting system adopted by the Federal Communications Commission. These costs formerly were capitalized and depreciated; however, under the new accounting rules, are included in operating expenses. For this reason, the 1988 results are not directly comparable to the 1987 results.

Graph number 1 shows the weighted average business and residence one-party rates for LT&T, US West, GTE, United and 34 other local exchange carriers. The weighted average for the 33 companies serving fewer than 5,000 access lines is \$14.95 for business one-party and \$9.07 for residence one-party. The weighted average by access line for all 38 local exchange carriers for business one-party is \$15.06 and for residence one-party is \$9.23 as shown in Table 8. The United States Telephone Association indicates that the national average for flat rate residential service was \$12.33 per month as of October 1988.

**REDUCTIONS IN TELEPHONE RATES  
ORDERED BY STATE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONS**

Since 1987 when LB 835 became effective, through the first quarter of 1989, state ordered rate changes have switched from a net increase to a net decrease. The net reductions by year reported by the FCC are for 1987, \$519,000,000; for 1988, \$1,366,000,000; and for the first quarter of 1989, \$206,900,000 for a total net reduction of \$2,091,900,000.

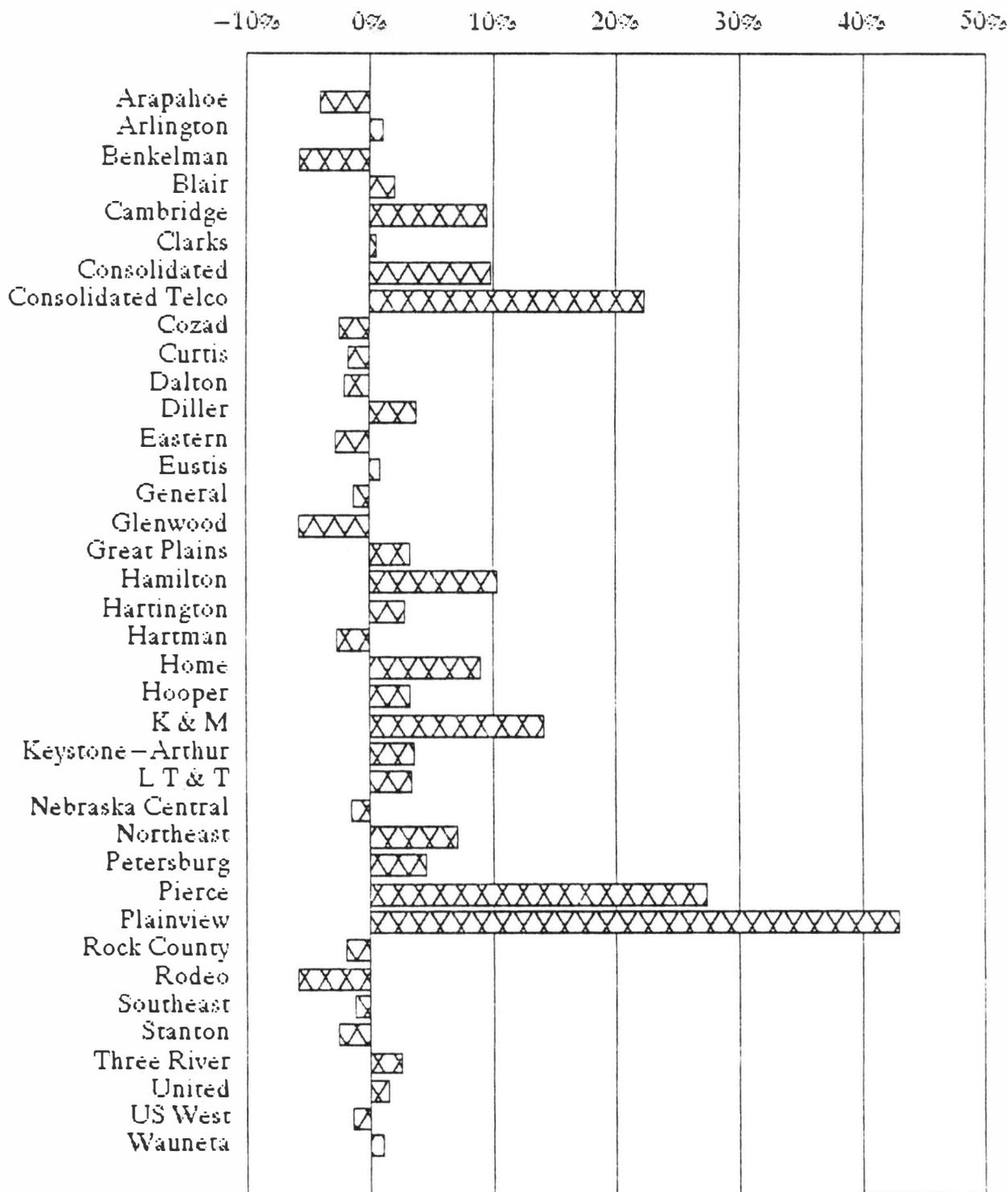
During this period, 34 states and the District of Columbia have ordered reductions in rates for local telephone companies under their jurisdiction.

These states are:

Alabama	Mississippi
Arizona	Missouri
Arkansas	Montana
California	New Jersey
Colorado	New Mexico
Delaware	New York
District of Columbia	North Carolina
Florida	North Dakota
Georgia	Oregon
Idaho	Pennsylvania
Illinois	South Dakota
Indiana	Tennessee
Iowa	Texas
Kentucky	Utah
Louisiana	Virginia
Maine	Washington
Maryland	Wisconsin
Minnesota	

# NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

1988 Rate of Return Relative to State Average



State Average = 10.680%

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1988 Rate of Return



State Average = 10.680%

## Comparative Rates of Return

	1988 (%)	1987 (%)	1986 (%)
Arapahoe	6.63	11.89	6.87
Arlington	11.70	9.04	12.49
Benkelman	4.96	6.29	8.71
Blair	12.67	18.06	11.39
Cambridge	20.22	23.08	31.36
Clarks	11.22	6.44	(4.55)
Consolidated	20.44	13.73	15.94
Consolidated Telco	32.96	17.99	18.05
Cozad	8.21	14.89	12.59
Curtis	8.98	7.02	5.44
Dalton	8.65	11.43	12.38
Diller	14.44	2.74	1.81
Eastern	7.93	10.97	4.77
Eustis	11.53	25.27	17.26
General	9.35	10.03	9.56
Glenwood	4.99	2.78	2.54
Great Plains	13.96	12.52	10.49
Hamilton	21.05	22.31	14.13
Hartington	13.55	17.02	13.09
Hartman	8.03	6.10	4.51
Home	19.68	17.49	13.01
Hooper	13.95	23.32	28.08
K & M	24.78	10.15	8.97
Keystone-Arthur	14.27	8.68	8.77
L T & T	14.08	12.21	12.44
Nebraska Central	9.24	15.25	9.31
Northeast	17.73	6.35	5.63
Petersburg	15.16	14.09	5.90
Pierce	38.04	18.66	11.21
Plainview	53.68	39.03	15.54
Rock County	8.72	14.00	4.61
Rodeo	4.86	6.07	0.53
Southeast	9.47	6.43	2.47
Stanton	8.13	10.49	4.59
Three River	13.20	10.83	4.40
United	12.19	13.26	9.46
US West	9.28	9.97	9.19
Wauneta	11.71	19.82	8.60

\* The Uniform System of Accounts as defined by Part 32 took effect January 1, 1988; consequently, 1987 and 1988 are not directly comparable.

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		Southeast Nebraska	Stanton	Three River	United Nebraska Combined
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	1,605,366	452,324	530,920	3,487,760
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	7,424,613	513,896	1,555,948	9,231,262
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	14,435	100,728	212,523	5,764,505
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	592,577	92,469	38,115	2,991,032
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	6,868,731	1,511,567	2,691,149	16,682,361
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	13,225	4,914	1,658	17,548
	Subtotal	10,513,997	2,676,398	5,070,313	33,074,489
1220	Material & Supplies	5,749	41,700	18,598	256,521
2003	Short Term PUC	0	0	0	462,485
	Total	10,524,746	2,718,101	5,043,911	33,994,495
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	2,901,141	546,975	2,199,367	16,621,148
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	573,963	0	0	3,975,519
	Rate Base	7,149,642	1,671,126	2,844,044	18,497,827
	Net Operating Income	676,361	152,149	376,107	2,255,803
	Rate of Return	9.46601%	8.13355%	13.20117%	12.19496%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		US West-Nebr Combined	Wauneta	Total Nebraska Combined
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	347,207,799	327,329	426,675,097
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	186,517,367	561,334	379,910,005
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	157,432,828	159,804	222,773,988
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	72,929,081	44,545	103,205,839
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	326,079,489	1,793,654	635,560,204
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	17,165,224	1,611	17,674,403
	Subtotal	1,107,361,799	2,999,977	1,785,999,535
1220	Material & Supplies	9,366,338	0	13,759,308
2003	Short Term PUC	32,263,336	170,728	40,795,083
	Total	1,149,511,462	3,159,605	1,840,552,926
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	392,402,049	949,725	673,314,179
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	137,341,231	387,105	169,493,498
	Rate Base	619,768,182	1,822,775	977,746,339
	Net Operating Income	57,530,122	213,712	104,424,043
	Rate of Return	9.28252%	11.71357%	10.68006%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1968 Rate Base

Account(s)	L T & T	Nebraska Central	Nebraska Northeast	Petersburg	
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	43,444,000	1,503,449	1,009,610	196,634
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	121,508,000	2,612,201	3,240,638	502,813
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	35,989,000	0	500,604	102,050
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	8,309,000	467,852	445,944	3,221
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	162,296,000	4,951,306	4,744,691	686,068
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	250,000	0	0	46
	Subtotal	371,796,000	9,534,308	9,941,467	1,490,832
1220	Material & Supplies	2,505,000	2,776	46,412	5,133
2003	Short Term PUC	3,918,000	17,100	11,757	0
	Total	378,219,000	9,554,684	9,999,656	1,495,965
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	144,129,000	2,383,095	4,102,646	441,131
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	30,462,000	647,209	0	7,459
	Rate Base	203,628,000	6,024,380	5,897,010	1,047,375
	Net Operating Income	28,665,000	556,613	1,045,803	159,748
	Rate of Return	14.07714%	9.23934%	17.73446%	15.15675%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1968 Rate Base

Account(s)	Pierce	Plainview	Rock County	Rodeo	
2111-2114	Total Land and Support	492,253	244,183	438,368	667,189
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	426,560	446,409	423,592	2,266,982
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	202,841	8,789	528,407	0
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	65,876	5,133	132,533	226,255
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	1,332,211	386,835	2,100,438	2,740,825
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	480	0	993	0
	Subtotal	2,520,221	1,091,349	3,624,331	5,911,351
1220	Material & Supplies	5,144	3,641	4,970	38,175
2003	Short Term PUC	0	0	0	0
	Total	2,525,365	1,094,990	3,629,301	5,949,526
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	1,787,541	803,478	1,444,345	3,372,744
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	0	2,797	0	11
	Rate Base	737,825	288,715	2,184,956	2,576,771
	Net Operating Income	280,677	154,975	190,542	125,111
	Rate of Return	38.04122%	53.67750%	8.72065%	4.85534%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		Great Plains			
		Commun.	Hamilton	Hartington	Hartman
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	7,646,063	719,558	545,589	389,058
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	10,784,101	2,435,796	586,446	336,772
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	6,381,141	774,844	278,924	248,267
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	1,882,595	1,698,573	100,341	25,544
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	30,323,189	3,479,128	714,280	1,023,340
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	86,138	0	0	2,668
	Subtotal	57,103,235	9,107,869	2,225,580	2,025,649
1220	Material & Supplies	167,436	0	20,002	14,359
2003	Short Term PUC	786,998	0	0	0
	Total	58,077,669	9,107,869	2,245,582	2,040,008
3100.3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	25,348,152	4,600,599	869,820	930,662
4100.4340	Def. Income Taxes	5,428,206	966,300	26,411	30,104
	Rate Base	27,301,302	3,540,990	1,349,351	1,079,242
	Net Operating Income	3,912,610	745,497	182,891	86,629
	Rate of Return	13.96494%	21.05335%	13.55400%	8.02684%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		Keystone			
		Home	Hooper	R & M	Arthur
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	174,831	258,524	206,413	603,709
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	243,016	619,717	264,199	653,036
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	93,155	89,837	205,871	123,137
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	24,634	40,360	35,675	6,479
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	427,094	850,598	779,003	1,044,909
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	1,364	6,743	48	0
	Subtotal	964,394	1,865,779	1,491,209	2,431,270
1220	Material & Supplies	14,976	5,110	3,665	27,846
2003	Short Term PUC	0	0	627	548
	Total	979,370	1,870,889	1,495,501	2,459,664
3100.3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	492,248	546,701	1,103,074	634,897
4100.4340	Def. Income Taxes	58,015	84,708	7,308	78,022
	Rate Base	429,107	1,239,480	385,119	1,546,745
	Net Operating Income	84,464	172,394	95,441	220,688
	Rate of Return	19.66367%	13.94892%	24.76227%	14.26790%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
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Account(s)		Cezad	Curtis	Dalton	Diller
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	677,051	660,572	351,133	398,611
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	1,185,115	876,910	1,065,800	756,855
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	177,295	230,581	573,756	129,912
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	117,207	99,545	127,938	24,780
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	2,275,596	1,117,242	1,918,627	1,266,992
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets			1,826	
	Subtotal	4,432,264	2,984,850	4,039,080	2,573,150
1220	Material & Supplies	9,169	24,144	20,407	11,309
2003	Short Term PUC	0	11,982	260,354	0
	Total	4,441,433	3,026,976	4,319,881	2,584,459
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	2,318,065	1,355,141	1,852,179	1,204,072
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	168,850	0	109,860	155,000
	Rate Base	1,954,518	1,665,835	2,857,342	1,225,387
	Net Operating Income	160,501	149,542	247,154	176,973
	Rate of Return	8.21179%	8.97700%	8.64827%	14.44221%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		Eastern	Eustis	General Nebraska Combined	Glenwood
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	872,403	77,053	5,723,000	705,439
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	1,235,988	332,553	17,193,000	2,344,120
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	246,790	50,996	8,187,000	578,352
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	445,824	10,752	10,925,000	177,342
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	2,983,930	345,114	33,765,000	3,116,016
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	4,353	84	98,000	1,600
	Subtotal	5,790,188	816,552	75,891,000	6,922,869
1220	Material & Supplies	4,604	1,631	975,603	11,850
2003	Short Term PUC	0	0	1,712,000	84,407
	Total	5,794,792	818,183	78,578,603	7,019,126
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	3,919,491	220,952	33,905,690	3,276,635
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	0	41,687	7,218,990	
	Rate Base	2,875,301	555,544	37,453,923	3,742,491
	Net Operating Income	227,992	64,077	3,503,000	186,381
	Rate of Return	7.92333%	11.53410%	9.35283%	4.98548%

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Account(s)		Arapahoe	Arlington	Benkelman	Blair
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	564,506	301,746	889,473	1,472,259
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	894,385	382,179	770,553	2,253,950
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	167,678	31,546	416,494	517,780
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	5,011	84,082	51,395	567,941
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	1,547,269	1,211,508	1,963,143	3,767,475
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	0	2,825	1,047	7,817
	Subtotal	3,178,649	2,014,987	4,102,205	8,588,117
1220	Material & Supplies	10,556	605	16,987	38,944
2003	Short Term PUC	0	17,579	313,638	79,534
	Total	3,189,405	2,033,071	4,432,830	8,706,095
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	1,410,886	656,412	1,746,783	4,632,799
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	261,711	147,976	250,170	462,796
	Rate Base	1,517,607	1,009,683	2,435,877	3,610,599
	Net Operating Income	100,588	143,817	227,958	457,304
	Rate of Return	6.62807%	11.70497%	4.96281%	12.66560%

Nebraska Telephone Companies  
1988 Rate Base

Account(s)		Cambridge	Clarks	Consolidated	Consolidated Telco Inc.
2111-2124	Total Land and Support	194,859	378,091	761,801	175,161
2211-2220	Total Central Office - Switching	445,607	510,727	1,777,714	516,351
2231-2232	Total Central Office - Transmission	0	172,793	1,551,583	500,592
2311-2362	Total Information Origination/Termination	96,757	22,793	147,600	132,426
2411-2441	Total Cable and Wire Facilities	342,123	985,826	4,901,346	1,452,306
2681-2690	Total Amortizable Assets	0	512	1,235	2,494
	Subtotal	1,069,776	2,069,242	8,241,329	2,309,341
1220	Material & Supplies	13,498	5,779	2,660	18,010
2003	Short Term PUC	203,096	490,374	0	0
	Total	1,285,969	2,555,394	8,243,989	2,627,351
3100,3400-3500	Less: Accumulated Depr./Amort.	612,523	1,405,481	4,645,555	1,937,374
4100,4340	Def. Income Taxes	(1,000)	0	629,000	67,000
	Rate Base	474,446	1,149,913	2,969,434	622,977
	Net Operating Income	95,934	128,795	607,551	271,261
	Rate of Return	20.22020%	11.22186%	20.44336%	32.96107%

# GRAPH 1

## AVERAGE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE RATES Weighted by access lines

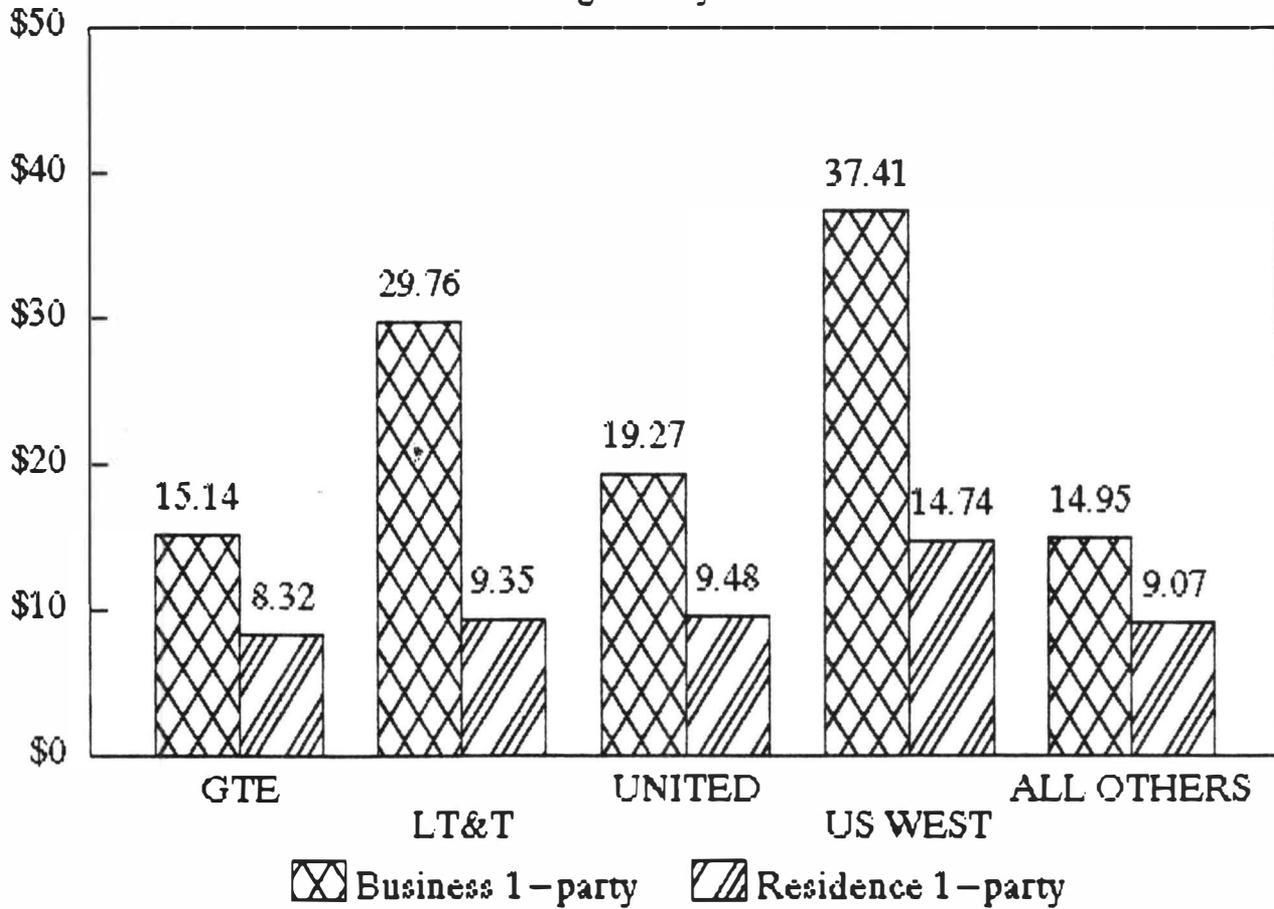


Table 8

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS  
Basic Local Exchange Rates (10/31/89)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
Arapahoe Tel. Co.	Arapahoe	\$13.25		\$8.25					
	Hendley	13.25		8.25					
	Holbrook	13.25		8.25					
Arlington Tel. Co.	Arlington	12.80	11.75	8.60	7.50		*7.20	*8.60	
Benkelman Tel. Co.	Benkelman	10.50		7.50					
Blair Tel. Co.	Blair	20.80		10.15					
	Fort Calhoun	20.80		10.15					
	Kennard	20.80		10.15					
Cambridge Tel. Co.	Bartley	7.50		5.25					
	Cambridge	7.50		5.25					
Clarks Tel. Co.	Clarks	11.50		7.50					
	Staplehurst	12.50		9.00					
	Ulysses	11.50		7.50					
Consolidated Telco	Dickens	15.75		10.00					
	Madrid	9.75		7.50					
	Maywood	15.75		11.50					
	Paxton	9.75		7.50					
	Wallace	9.75		7.50					
	Wellfleet	15.75		11.50					
Consolidated Tel. Co.	Anselmo	6.50		4.00	3.50	2.75	12.00		
	Arthur	14.50		7.50			17.00		
	Brewster	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Brownlee			17.00			17.00		
	Dunning	6.50		4.00	3.50		12.00		
	Halsey	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Hyannis	6.25		5.25	4.25		17.00		1.25
	Merna	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Mullen	6.50		4.00	3.50		17.00		1.25
	Purdom	6.50		4.00			7.00		
	Seneca	6.50		4.00	3.50	2.75	17.00		
	Thedford	6.50		4.00			17.00		1.25
	Cozad Tel. Co.	Cozad	8.50		5.50	5.00			
Curtis Tel. Co.	Curtis	17.50		13.50					
Dalton Tel. Co.	Bushnell	11.50	10.50	10.00	9.00	8.00	**9.00		
	Dalton	7.00		5.00			**3.75	**5.75	
	Dix	11.50	10.50	10.00	9.00	8.00	**9.00		
	Gurley	7.00		5.00			**3.75	**5.75	

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COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
	Lodgepole	7.00		5.00			**3.75	**5.75	
Diller Tel. Co.	Diller	8.50		7.50					
	Harbine	8.50		7.50					
	Odell	8.50		7.50					
	Virginia	8.50		7.50					
Eastern Neb. Tel. Co.	Belden	16.95		10.95					
	Carroll	16.95		10.95					
	Meadow Grove	16.95		10.95					
	Osmond	16.95		10.95					
	Rosalie	16.95		10.95					
	Walthill	16.95		10.95					
	Winnebago	16.95		10.95					
	Macy	16.95		10.95					
Eustis Tel. Exchange	Eustis	8.00		5.00	4.25		7.00		2.50
Glenwood Tel. Memb. Corp.	Bladen	12.00		8.00					
	Blue Hill	12.00		8.00					
	Campbell	12.00		8.00					
	Funk	13.50		13.50		11.50			
	Holstein	12.00		8.00					
	Lawrence	12.00		8.00					
	Norman	12.00		8.00					
	Roseland	12.00		8.00					
	Upland	12.00		8.00					
Great Plains Comm.	Archer	25.35		12.65					
	Arnold	12.00		9.00				12.00	
	Bancroft	25.35		12.65					
	Beemer	25.35		12.65					
	Bloomfield	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Byron	25.35		12.65					
	Callaway	12.00		8.50				12.00	
	Center	12.00		8.50				12.00	
	Chapman	25.35		12.65					
	Chester/Hubbel/Reyno	26.35		13.65					
	Cotesfield	26.35		13.65					
	Creighton	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Crofton	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Deshler	25.35		12.65					
	Dodge	26.35		13.65					
	Elgin	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Ewing	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Grant	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Hay Springs	26.35		13.65					
	Hayes Center	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Herman	25.35		12.65					
	Huntley-Ragan	26.35		13.65					

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COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
	Imperial	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Indianola	25.35		12.65					
	Kilgore	26.35		13.65					
	Merriman	26.35		13.65					
	Mirage Flats	26.35		13.65					
	Niobrara	12.60		9.10				12.60	
	North Bend	26.35		13.65					
	Oakdale	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Oconto	10.00		6.75				10.00	
	Page	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Palisade	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Ponca	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Red Cloud/Riverton	25.35		12.65					
	Riverton	25.35		12.65					
	St. Edward	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Scribner	26.35		13.65					
	Snyder	26.35		13.65					
	Stapleton	12.00		8.50				12.00	
	Sutherland	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Tryon	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Vanango	12.00		8.50				12.00	
	Verdigre	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Walnut	13.60		10.35				13.60	
	Wausa	12.75		9.00				12.75	
	Wilcox	26.35		13.65					
	Winnetoon	13.00		9.75				13.00	
	Wisner	25.35		12.65					
	Wolbach	26.35		13.65					
	Wood Lake	26.35		13.65					
	Wynot	25.35		12.65					
GTE North	Group I	13.49		7.48			**7.56		
	Group II	16.22		8.99			**9.09		
Hamilton Tel. Co.	Aurora	9.50		7.00					
	Doniphan	7.00		6.00					
	Giltner	7.00		6.00					
	Hampton	7.00		6.00					
	Hordville	7.00		6.00					
	Marquette	7.00		6.00					
	Phillips	7.00		6.00					
	Stockham	9.50		7.00					
	Trumbull	7.00		6.00					
Hartington Tel. Co.	Hartington	12.00		7.50					
Hartman Tel. Exchanges	Danbury	9.50		9.50					
	Haigler	9.50		9.50					
	Lebanon	9.50		9.50					

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS  
Basic Local Exchange Rates (10/31/89)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
Home Tel. Co. of Neb.	Brady	7.25		4.50	4.00		*4.50	*6.25	
	Maxwell	7.25		4.50	4.00		*4.50	*6.25	1.50
Hooper Tel. Co.	Hooper	8.35	7.85	6.35	5.85				
	Uehling	8.35	7.85	6.35	5.85				
K & M Tel. Co.	Chambers	15.50		12.25					
	Inman	15.50		12.25					
Keystone-Arthur Tel. Co.	Keystone	14.50	13.00	11.50	10.00	11.50			
	Lemoyne	14.50	13.00	11.50	10.00	11.50			
Lincoln Tel. & Tel. Co.	Group A	19.30	15.30	7.50	6.65		10.85	22.25	
	Group B	23.80	18.95	8.45	7.50		11.45	27.45	
	Group C	25.80	20.60	8.80	7.85		11.55	29.70	
	Group D	28.25	22.55	9.25	8.35		11.85	32.25	
	Group E	29.85	24.10	9.70	8.80		12.05	34.10	
	Group F	34.75	29.20	10.10	9.20		12.45	39.70	
Neb. Central Tel. Co.	Ansley	19.00		10.75					
	Arcadia	16.25		9.25					
	Comstock	19.00		10.75					
	Gibbon	19.00		10.75					
	Sargent	19.00		10.75					
	Shelton	19.00		10.75					
Northeast Neb. Tel. Co.	Bartlett	7.75		5.25					
	Clearwater	7.75		5.25					
	Coleridge	7.75		5.25					
	Craig	8.00		6.25					
	Dixon	7.75		5.25					
	Jackson	7.75		5.25					
	Linwood/Morse Bluffs	9.25		6.25					
	Martinsburg	7.75		5.25					
	Newcastle	7.75		5.25					
	Obert	7.75		5.25					
	Prague	9.25		6.25					
	Weston	9.25		6.25					
Petersburg Tel. Co.	Petersburg	17.50		15.00					
Pierce Tel. Co., Inc.	Hoskins	16.10		11.10					
	Pierce	16.10		11.10					
Plainview Tel. Co.	Plainview	16.00		12.00					
Rock County Tel. Co.	Bassett	15.65		9.65	9.15		*8.65	*13.65	
	Newport	15.65		9.65	9.15		*8.65	*13.65	
Rodeo Tel., Inc.	Burwell	17.05		11.20					

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Basic Local Exchange Rates (10/31/89)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
	Erickson	17.05		11.20					
	North Loup	17.05		11.20					
	Scotia	17.05		11.20					
	Taylor	17.05		11.20					
	N. Burwell	17.05		11.20					
Southeast Neb. Tel. Co.	Falls City	27.50		10.50	9.75		**9.50		
	Tri-City	27.50		10.50	9.75		**9.50		
Stanton Tel. Co., Inc.	Stanton	17.50		14.50					
Three River Telco	Johnstown	13.25		9.00					
	Lynch	13.25		9.00					
	Naper	13.25		9.00					
	Springview	13.25		9.00					
	Verdel	13.25		9.00					
United Tel. Co. of the West	Group 1	16.87		8.44			**10.92		
	Group 2	17.60		8.80			**11.40		
	Group 3	20.40		10.20			**13.21		
US West	Group A	37.55		14.90	12.90		20.65	43.30	
	Group B	36.40		14.10	12.10		19.85	42.15	
Wauneta Tel. Co.	Wauneta	10.50		7.50					
	Average	15.06	14.65	9.23	7.28	8.00	7.54	14.34	1.55
GTE North:									
Group I	Albion, Alma, Amherst, Battle Creek, Beaver City, Bertrand, Bloomington, Brunswick, Duncan, Edison, Franklin, Genoa, Greeley, Heartwell, Hildreth, Leigh, Lindsay, Madison, Miller, Monroe, Naponee, Neligh, Newman Grove, Orchard, Ord, Orleans, Palmer, Platte Center, Pleasanton, Republican City, Riverdale, Stamford, Sumner, Tilden, Wilsonville								
Group II	Columbus, Kearney								
The Lincoln Telephone & Telegraph Company:									
Group A	Adams, Alexandria, Avoca, Barneston, Beaver Crossing, Bellwood, Benedict, Bradshaw, Brainard, Brock, Brownville, Bruning, Bruno, Burchard, Burr, Carleton, Cedar Bluffs, Ceresco, Clatonia, Colon, Cook, Cordova, Cortland, Crab Orchard, Davenport, Davey, Dawson, Daykin, Denton, Deweese, Dewitt, Dorchester, Douglas, DuBois, Dunbar, Dwight, Edgar, Elk Creek, Elmwood, Exeter, Fairfield, Fairmont, Filley, Firth, Garland, Glenvil, Grafton, Greenwood, Gresham, Guide Rock, Hallam, Hansen, Hardy, Ithaca, Jansen, Johnson, Julian, Kenesaw, Liberty, Malcolm, Martell, McCool, Mead, Milligan, Murdock, Nehawka, Nemaha, Octavia, Ohioa, Ong, Otoe, Palmyra, Panama, Peru, Pickrell, Pleasant Dale, Plymouth, Polk, Raymond, Rising City, Ruskin, Shickley, Steele City, Steinauer, Sterling, Surprise, Swanton, Table Rock, Talmage, Tamora, Tobias, Unadilla, Union, Utica, Valparaiso, Waco, Western								
Group B	Bennet, Clay Center, Eagle, Friend, Harvard, Hickman, Humboldt, Juniata, Louisville,								

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 Basic Local Exchange Rates (10/31/89)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
Group C	Murray, Nelson, Osceola, Pawnee City, Shelby, Stromsburg, Weeping Water, Wilber, Yutan								
Group D	Ashland, Auburn, David City, Geneva, Hebron, Milford, Superior, Sutton, Syracuse, Tecumseh, Wahoo, Waverly, Wymore								
Group E	Crete, Fairbury, Nebraska City, Plattsmouth, Seward, York								
Group F	Beatrice, Hastings Lincoln								

United Telephone Company of the West:

Group 1	Bayard, Broadwater, Chappell, Lewellen, Lyman, Minatare, Mitchell, Morrill, Oshkosh, Potter
Group 2	Kimball
Group 3	Gering, Scottsbluff

US West:

Group A	Allen, Bennington, Chadron, Creston, Dakota City, Elkhorn, Fremont, Grand Island, Gretna, Humphrey, Laurel, Norfolk, North Platte, Omaha, Pilger, South Sioux City, Springfield, Valley, Wakefield, Waterbury, Waterloo, Winside
Group B	Ainsworth, Alliance, Ashton, Atkinson, Atlanta, Axtell, Belgrade, Big Springs, Boelus, Bridgeport, Bristow, Broken Bow, Brule, Butte, Cairo, Cedar Rapids, Central City, Clarkson, Cody, Crawford, Crookston, Culbertson, Dannebrog, Decatur, Elba, Elm Creek, Elwood, Emerson, Farnam, Farwell, Fullerton, Gordon, Gothenburg, Harrison, Holdrege, Homer, Howells, Lexington, Litchfield, Long Pine, Loomis, Loup City, Lyons, McCook, Mason City, Minden, Oakland, Ogallala, O'Neill, Overton, Oxford, Pender, Primrose, Randolph, Ravenna, Rockville, Rushville, St. Libory, St. Paul, Schuyler, Sidney, Silver Creek, Spalding, Spencer, Stratton, Stuart, Tekamah, Trenton, Valentine, Wayne, West Point, Whitney, Wood River

\* Multi-party  
 \*\* 4-party

TOLL COMPARISON (as of 11-16-89)

Originating city: COLUMBUS, NE

	Destination						
	Lincoln	Beatrice	Hastings	Grand Island	Kearney	North Platte	Scottsbluff
Rate period: DAY							
Length of call: 3 MINUTES							
Allnet	0.55	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.57	0.73	0.75
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	1.00	1.09	1.09	1.09	1.21	1.30	1.36
Dial-Net	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Lintel (LTLD)	0.80	0.83	0.88	0.88	0.97	1.04	1.05
MCI	0.98	1.07	1.07	1.07	1.19	1.26	1.34
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.63	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.71	0.71
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.62	0.74	0.69	0.67	0.77	0.66	0.94
Teleconnect	0.93	1.02	1.02	1.02	1.03	1.01	1.05
Telenational	0.96	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.64	0.90
US Sprint	0.99	1.08	1.03	1.02	1.20	1.09	1.35

Rate period: EVENING  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

Allnet	0.42	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.48	0.49
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	0.70	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.85	0.90	0.95
Dial-Net	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54
Lintel (LTLD)	0.56	0.61	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.72	0.75
MCI	0.69	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.83	0.90	0.94
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.41	0.43	0.43	0.44	0.43	0.46	0.47
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.41	0.49	0.45	0.44	0.50	0.56	0.61
Teleconnect	0.65	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.79	0.85	0.89
Telenational	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51
US Sprint	0.59	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.72	0.77	0.81

Rate period: NIGHT/WEEKEND  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

Allnet	0.33	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.38
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	1.50	0.55	0.57	0.55	0.61	0.65	0.63
Dial-Net	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
Lintel (LTLD)	0.38	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.47	0.50	0.50
MCI	0.66	0.53	0.57	0.53	0.59	0.64	0.67
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.31	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.36	0.37
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.34	0.43	0.36	0.37	0.42	0.48	0.52
Teleconnect	0.47	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.57	0.61	0.64
Telenational	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
US Sprint	0.39	0.43	0.43	0.42	0.49	0.51	0.53

TOLL COMPARISON (as of 11-16-89)

Originating city: LINCOLN, NE

	Destination						
	Omaha	Columbus	Norfolk	Grand Island	Kearney	North Platte	Scottsbluff
Rate period: DAY							
Length of call: 3 MINUTES							
Allnet		0.55		0.57	0.57	0.73	0.75
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>		1.00	1.09	1.09	1.21	1.20	1.36
Dial-Net	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Lintel (LTLD)	0.80	0.80	0.86	0.88	0.97	1.04	1.09
MCI	0.98	0.98	1.07	1.07	1.19	1.28	1.34
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.63	0.62	0.67	0.67	0.67	0.71	0.73
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.62	0.62	0.74	0.74		0.69	0.94
Teleconnect	0.93	0.93	1.02	1.02	1.13	1.21	1.25
Telenational	0.66	0.66	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.64	
US Sprint	0.99	0.99	1.08	1.08	1.20	1.29	1.35

Rate period: EVENING  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

Allnet	0.42	0.42	0.45	0.45	0.45	0.43	0.49
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD	0.70	0.70	0.77	0.77	0.85	0.91	0.96
Dial-Net	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54
Lintel (LTLD)		0.56	0.61	0.61	0.67	0.72	0.75
MCI		0.69	0.75	0.75		0.90	0.94
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.41	0.41	0.42	0.43	0.42	0.46	0.47
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.41		0.49	0.49	0.50	0.56	0.61
Teleconnect	0.65	0.65			0.79	0.85	0.89
Telenational	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51		
US Sprint	0.59		0.65	0.65	0.72	0.77	

Rate period: NIGHT/WEEKEND  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

Allnet	0.33	0.33	0.35	0.35	0.35	0.37	0.38
AT&T, CSI, ITI, UTLD	0.50	0.50	0.55	0.55		0.65	0.68
Dial-Net	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
Lintel (LTLD)	0.38	0.38	0.42	0.42	0.47	0.50	0.52
MCI	0.49	0.49	0.50	0.50	0.59	0.64	
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.32	0.32	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.36	
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.34	0.34	0.41	0.41	0.42	0.49	0.52
Teleconnect	0.47	0.47	0.51	0.51	0.57	0.61	0.64
Telenational	0.42		0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
US Sprint	0.39	0.39	0.43	0.43	0.48	0.52	0.53

TOLL COMPARISON as of 11-16-89

Originating city: OMAHA, NE

	Destination						
	Lincoln	Beatrice	Hastings	Grand Island	Wearney	North Platte	Scottsbluff
Rate period: DAY							
Length of call: 3 MINUTES							
Allnet	0.55	0.57	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.73	0.75
AT&T, OSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	1.00	1.09	1.21	1.21	1.30	1.30	1.36
Dial-Net	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.75
Lintel (LTLD)	0.80	0.86	0.97	0.97	1.04	1.04	1.09
MCI	0.98	1.07	1.16	0.99	1.26	1.26	1.34
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.63	0.67	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.73
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.61	0.69	0.79	0.79	0.84	0.91	0.94
Teleconnect	1.43	1.41	1.10	1.13	1.21	1.21	1.25
Telenational	0.66	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.84	0.84	0.90
US Sprint	0.49	1.08	1.20	1.20	1.29	1.29	1.35

Rate period: EVENING  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

Allnet	0.42	0.45	0.44	0.43	0.43	0.46	0.49
AT&T, OSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	0.70	0.77	0.85	0.85	0.91	0.91	0.96
Dial-Net	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54	0.54
Lintel (LTLD)	0.56	0.62	0.67	0.67	0.72	0.72	0.75
MCI	0.69	0.75	0.83	0.83	0.90	0.90	0.94
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.41	0.43	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.47
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.41	0.45	0.52	0.52	0.54	0.59	0.61
Teleconnect	0.63	0.71	0.79	0.79	0.85	0.85	0.89
Telenational	0.53	0.59	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.51
US Sprint	0.59	0.65	0.72	0.72	0.77	0.77	0.81

Rate period: NIGHT/WEEKEND  
Length of call: 3 MINUTES

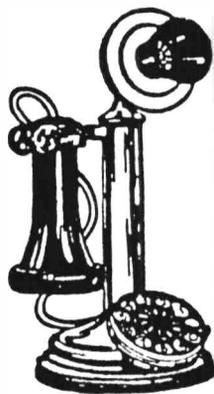
Allnet	0.33	0.35	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.38
AT&T, OSI, ITI, UTLD <sup>1</sup>	0.50	0.55	0.61	0.61	0.65	0.65	0.68
Dial-Net	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42	0.42
Lintel (LTLD)	0.35	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.50	0.50	0.52
MCI	0.49	0.53	0.59	0.59	0.64	0.64	0.67
MidAmerican <sup>2</sup>	0.31	0.34	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.36	0.37
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.34	0.38	0.44	0.44	0.46	0.50	0.52
Teleconnect	0.47	0.51	0.57	0.57	0.61	0.61	0.64
Telenational	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.42
US Sprint	0.39	0.43	0.48	0.43	0.51	0.51	0.53

TOLL COMPARISON (as of 11-16-89)

- <sup>1</sup> AT&T - American Telephone & Telegraph; CSI - Communication Services Inc.;  
ITI - International Telecharge Inc.; UTLD - United Telephone Long Distance.
  
- <sup>2</sup> On September 18, 1989, MidAmerican Long Distance Company was granted permission  
to discontinue residential service. These rates apply only to business customers.

# FOUR

GOALS AND RECOMMENDATIONS



## GOALS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

To achieve the goals of LB 835, the following policy recommendations should be implemented.

- a) Serve the interest of the public.
- b) Strike a balance between competing interests of legitimate competition and the protection of the public interest.
- c) Foster universal service.
- d) Insure compliance with the laws of Nebraska by telecommunications companies.
- e) Prevent unjust discrimination and practices.
- f) Investigate any and all complaints regarding telephone service quality, billing, or other miscellaneous matters.

The phone industry in Nebraska is working hard to make this law work. The law is passed and the fight is over. Theodore Roosevelt said, "No man is above the law and no man is below it. Nor do we ask any man's permission when we require him to obey it. Obedience to the law is demanded as a right; not as a favor." LB 835 is the law in Nebraska and this Commission is under the mandate to uphold this law. The Commission will attempt to use LB 835 to achieve the desired results of the law. The Commission wants to maintain affordable and reasonable rates for all Nebraskans.

The Commission has found that the telephone industry has reacted favorably to the freedom they now have. For two years, most of the companies have shown restraint. Companies generally have put the shareholder's interest first. It will be interesting to see how the public interest will fit in their corporate goals under the new regulatory scheme. Telephone companies can only help themselves by being open and accessible to the public and their concerns.

We also see in the future of deregulation that some supporting corrective legislation is necessary. LB 835 directs this report to address the question of the need for further legislation to achieve the purposes of the Act. To achieve the intent of the Act and the goals of the Public Service Commission, the following recommendations should be implemented; however, they are not necessarily listed in the order of their priority.

1. Repeal the sunset clause on the consumers' right to petition so that it does not end in 1991.

2. Change the standard from "actual cost" to "fair, just and reasonable."

3. Declare that when Extended Area Service is non-optional, it is a part of basic local service.

4. Change the percentage of increase that a company can implement from ten percent to five percent each year.

5. Reduce the required percentage of petitioners for US West and Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company by one half. US West would need one percent and Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company would need one and one half percent of the affected subscribers to petition.

6. Repeal the sunset clause on de-averaging of toll rates.

7. Allow the Commission to review a company's rate of return if the company experiences a "windfall profit" due to some unexpected fortuitous event.

8. Clear up the discrepancy on the dates when a company can reapply for a rate increase.

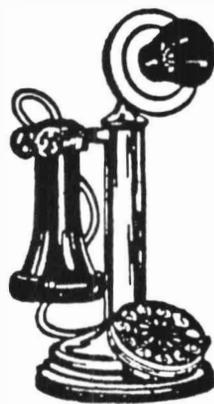
9. Change the annual report due date from January 5th of each year to September 30th of each year. This will allow the Legislature time to review the information and draft appropriate legislation.

The focus of this report was to discuss the regulatory climate in Nebraska. We hope we have done that; however, we also wanted to focus on the future of the state and industry under a modern nonregulatory climate. This Commission still does not believe that LB 835 is the best approach to regulation; however, many of the companies in Nebraska are using the right approach. We believe they must stick with that approach for this law to be successful.

# FIVE

## APPENDIX I

APPLICATIONS, FORMAL COMPLAINTS  
AND RATE LISTS



APPLICATIONS FILED SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 1988

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
11-28-88	C-766	GTE North, Inc. for authority to adjust depreciation rates on classes of its equipment.
02-02-89	C-767	Great Plains Communications, Blair, NE for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct, install, maintain and operate a fiber optic cable from Imperial to Palisade.
02-14-89	C-768	Nebraska Public Service Commission on its own motion to investigate procedures followed by telecommunication companies when a customer changes interexchange carriers.
03-17-89	C-769	K & M Telephone Company, Chambers, NE for authority to borrow from the United States of America through the Rural Electrification Administration.
03-20-89	C-770	Telesphere Network, Inc., Oakbrook, IL for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska.
04-29-89	C-771	ITT Communications Services, Inc. for a certificate to provide interLATA interexchange telecommunications services.
05-03-89	C-772	Allnet Communication services, Inc. to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska.
05-09-89	C-773	Western Union Corp. for permission to discontinue WULDS intrastate telecommunications service and to cancel its tariff in the State of Nebraska.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
05-15-89	C-774	Telenational Communications Limited Partnership for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska.
06-20-89	C-775	Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., Jackson request approval of amendment dated March 15, 1989, to Telephone Loan Contract originally dated as of September 26, 1955, as amended between Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co. and United States of America; and approval of and authority to borrow \$222,941.34 and to execute a mortgage note to United States of America in said amount; and approval of and authority to execute a supplement to supplemental mortgage and security agreement securing said loan and note.
06-26-89	C-776	OnLine Communications, Inc., Santa Clara, CA for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications service within the State of Nebraska.
07-07-89	C-777	US West for depreciation rate changes in Nebraska.
07-28-89	C-778	ITT Communications Service, Inc. and Metromedia Long Distance, Inc., Secaucus, NJ for approval to transfer control.
07-31-89	C-779	Long Distance/USA, Inc., Honolulu, Hawaii for a certificate of service authority to operate as an intrastate reseller of telecommunications long distance and operator services within the State of Nebraska.
08-03-89	C-780	MidAmerican Long Distance Co. for permission to discontinue its intrastate interexchange telecommunications services for residential customers.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
08-28-89	C-781	In the matter of adversely affecting the telephone service of others and use of telephone for unlawful purposes by Rainwood Audio Text, aka Rainwood Marketing, aka Integrated Information Service, aka Bruce Abraham of Omaha, NE.
09-05-89	C-782	Great Plains Communications, Inc. to revise depreciation rates.
10-02-89	C-783	Cambridge Telephone Co. to revise rates and charges for local exchange service and for approval of depreciation rates.
10-02-89	C-784	Vicom, Inc., Eden Prairie, MN for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the State of Nebraska.
10-03-89	C-785	Benkelman Telephone Co., Inc., for approval of stock transfer and change of control.
10-03-89	C-786	Northwestern Bell Telephone Co., Omaha for approval of its merger into the Mountain States Telephone and Telegraph Co.
10-11-89	C-787	GTE North, Inc. for authority to accelerate the amortization of Inside Wire.

FORMAL COMPLAINTS FILED SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 1988

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FC NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
11-23-88	FC-1221	American Data Systems & Gas'N Shop Corp., Lincoln, NE vs. Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., Lincoln, NE for refusal to release coin telephone revenue information.
09-14-89	FC-1224	James Michael Edgar, Lincoln, NE vs. Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., Lincoln, NE containing two clauses of action. The first complaint based on the ten day billing procedure and the second complaint based upon directory assistance procedure.

## RATE LISTS FILED SINCE NOVEMBER 1, 1988

During the last year, 143 rate lists were filed with the Commission. Under LB 835, these rate lists automatically become effective ten days after filing. Before LB 835, these rate lists would have been tariff applications which would have required an application fee and a protest period and possibly a hearing before the carrier could make the change. The rate lists changing the rates for services would have only occurred in conjunction with a rate case.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Subject</u>
11-03-88	Consolidated Telco, Inc.	Link Up Nebraska
11-03-88	Consolidated Telephone Co.	Link Up Nebraska
11-08-88	MidAmerican	City Link III Product, City Link 800
11-09-88	US West	Special Promotion Catalog
11-15-88	Great Plains	Elimination of Touchtone Charges in Arnold, Herman, & Wynot; Addition of Operator Service Charges & Reduction of Custom Calling Prices.
11-18-88	US West	Special Promotion Catalog
11-18-88	LT&T	Obligation & Liability Provisions Clarify the Installation of a Demarcation Point; Billed Number Screening and Blocking for COCOT Service; Charging for Directory Assistance Services in the Exchange of Ruskin
11-28-88	GTE North, Inc	Revised Boundary Map
11-29-88	Hooper	Subject Index, Touch Tone Dialing, Trunk Hunting, Custom Calling Features, Malicious Call Trace
11-30-88	Hartington	IntraLATA Operator Service Charges

<u>Date</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Subject</u>
12-01-88	US West	Digital Switched Services, DID/AIOD Service, SwitchNet 56, Operator Services, Service Charges and Semi-Public Service
12-08-88	Great Plains	Reduce Intrastate Access Charge Residual Rate
12-09-88	US Sprint	800 Service Offering-FONLINE 800, Reduce rates for US Sprint ULTRA 800 Service
12-15-88	ITI	Change in Rates & Charges
12-16-88	US West	General Exchange Rate List, Digital Switched Services, DID/AOID Services Switchnet 56
12-20-88	US West	Premises Wiring Catalog, Long Distance Message Telecommunications Service (LDMTS) Catalog
12-22-88	US West	Local Exchange Rate List
12-29-88	US West	Express Service Catalog
12-30-88	US West	Premises Wiring Catalog
01-05-89	AT&T	Custom Network Service Tariff
01-09-89	US West	Express Service Catalog, Index Rate List Filings
01-11-89	MidAmerican	Rate Reductions for Products, Volume Discounts for Two Products, Restructuring of Two Products
01-13-89	LT&T	Charges for Directory Assistance Services
01-13-89	US West	Centron I Catalog

<u>Date</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Subject</u>
01-13-89	Teleconnect	Reduce Per Minute Rates: 800 DAYSAVER, 800 DAYSAVER PLUS & 800 SUPERWATS PLUS
01-17-89	US West	Access Service Rate List Private Line Catalog
01-20-89	Great Plains	Adds North Bend to List of Exchanges
01-23-89	US West	Data Conditioning, Transmission Analysis
01-23-89	US West	Market Expansion Line <sup>SM</sup> Catalog
01-26-89	Stanton	New Services for Operator Services Directory Assistance Calls
01-26-89	Keystone- Arthur	Custom Calling Service
01-30-89	US West	Centron, Business Service Catalog
02-02-89	US West	Data Conditioning Catalog, Market Expansion Line Catalog, General Exchange List, Private Line Catalog
02-03-89	Curtis	Intrastate Access Charge Residual
02-14-89	US West	SwitchNet 56 Service Catalog
02-16-89	LinTel Systems	Specialized Common Carrier Service
02-17-89	US West	Premises Wiring Catalog
02-22-89	US Sprint	Sprint, US Sprint WATS, Operator Services Directory Assistance, Credit Card Reader Phone Service, Foncard
02-23-89	US West	SwitchNet 56 Catalog

<u>Date</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Subject</u>
03-02-89	Lintel	InterLATA Rate Schedule
03-03-89	US West	General Exchange Rate List, Access Service Rate List, Statewide Directory Assistant Plan to NPA (area code) Directory Assistant Plan
03-09-89	K & M	Changing from Statewide to Within NPA Only
03-10-89	US West	Directory Assistance Service
03-10-89	Hooper	Directory Assistance Service
03-14-89	Nebr. Central	Intrastate-Intralata Directory Assistance Change
03-14-89	Clarks	Directory Assistance Service
03-14-89	Plainview	Directory Assistance Service
03-14-89	US West	Express Service Catalog
03-15-89	Stanton	Local Directory Assistance Service
03-16-89	AT&T	Directory Assistance Service (NPA) Numbering Plan Areas
03-20-89	Glenwood	Directory Assistance Service
03-20-89	GTE	Neligh Exchange Boundary Map
03-20-89	US West	Express Service Catalog
03-20-89	Hartington	Directory Assistance Service
03-20-89	Dalton	Directory Assistance Service

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03-21-89	AT&T	Multiquest
03-21-89	Clarks	New Custom Calling, Directory Hunt
03-21-89	US West	LMS to New Exchanges
03-22-89	United	Waiver of Installation Charge for Promotion
03-24-89	United	Directory Assistance Charge
03-27-89	Cambridge	Exchange Tariff
04-03-89	AT&T	AT&T Megacom Wats, AT&T Megacom 800, 800 Readyline Software Defined Network Service
04-04-89	US West	Residence Telechoice Catalog, Local-NE Exchanges, Local Exchange Rate List, Special Promotion Catalog
04-11-89	Teleconnect	Flex-Call, Flex-Save, Flex-Save Plus, Sure- Save, Sure-Save Plus, Directory Assistance Charge, 800 Superwats Plus
04-13-89	US West	Express Service Catalog
04-17-89	US West	Express Service Catalog
04-18-89	AT&T	Reach Out Nebraska
04-19-89	Clarks	Restricted Dialing Service Option
04-21-89	US Sprint	Call Placement Charge
05-01-89	Great Plains	Directory Assistance
05-08-89	Teleconnect	USA Card: Direct Connect, Message Storage and Forward, Speed Dialing

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05-11-89	LT&T	Directory Assistance Charging
05-15-89	US West	Initial Service Period
05-15-89	US West	Small Business Messaging Service Catalog
05-15-89	United	Directory Assistance Charges
05-16-89	US West	Premises Wiring Catalog
05-16-89	MCI	Prism Plus, Corporate Account Service PLUS, Qualified Commercial Affinity Group, Restructuring 800 Service Rate Elements, VNET, Dial "1", Prism III, Prism Plus, Payphone Service, Institutional Phone Service, LEC Calling Card Service
05-17-89	GTE	Facilities for Intrastate Access
05-17-89	LT&T	Directory Assistance Services
05-19-89	LT&T	Basic Local Exchange Rate
05-19-89	US West	Special Promotion Catalog
05-22-89	US West	Special Promotion Catalog (Residence TeleChoice)
05-24-89	US West	Small Business Messaging Service Catalog, Special Promotion Catalog
05-24-89	GTE	Local Exchange Service
05-30-89	United	Intrastate Conference Calling Service
06-05-89	Northeast NE	Directory Assistance
06-08-89	LT&T	Directory Assistance Service (Greenwood)

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06-09-89	US West	Access Service Rate List - Nebr. Switched Access Service
06-16-89	US West	Express Service
06-20-89	US West	Wide Area Telephone Service Catalog (800 Service)
06-20-89	US West	Billing Services Catalog, General Exchange Rate List
06-23-89	Great Plains	Adding Wisner Exchange
06-26-89	US West	Express Service Catalog
06-26-89	United	Customized Operator Intercept Service
06-29-89	Pierce	Price List of Operator Charges
07-03-89	US West	Premises Wiring Catalog
07-05-89	US West	Billing Service Catalog, General Exchange Tariff
07-05-89	Plainview	Changes in Monthly Charges
07-13-89	Huntel	Special Number Request, Special Promotional Offerings
07-17-89	US West	Centrex Service, CNIS (Called Number Identification Service), DID/AIOD Services Catalog, HotLine, Warm Line, Call Transfer, Abbreviated Access, Special Promotion Cat.
07-20-89	Lintel	Specialized Common Carrier Systems Service
07-21-89	US West	Nebr. Switched Access Service Rate List

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07-21-89	US Sprint	ULTRA WATS
07-21-89	US Sprint	VPN Network Services
07-26-89	US West	Special Promotion Catalog
07-27-89	United	Advanced Business Connections
07-28-89	ITT	InterLATA Interexchange Telecommunications Services
08-07-89	US West	Public Packet Switching Network (PPSN), General Exchange Rate List
08-08-89	Allnet	Intrastate Interexchange Toll
08-10-89	Telecom	Superwats Plus, 800 Superwats Plus, USA Card, TRAC products, Flex-save Plus, Sure-Save Plus, Daysaver Plus
08-18-89	MidAmerican	CityLink Plus, Virtual FX
08-21-89	Great Plains	Customer-Provided Semi- Public Service
08-21-89	US West	Carrier Billing, Collection Services Catalog
08-22-89	Teleconnect	TRAC 800, HELLO AMERICA
08-25-89	MidAmerican	City Link Plus
08-28-89	Western Union	Cancellation of Tariff
09-05-89	US Sprint	Increase MTS Service Rates
09-07-89	US West	Express Service
09-08-89	Cambridge	Revised Option Schedule
09-12-89	Hartington	Malicious Call Trace

<u>Date</u>	<u>Company</u>	<u>Subject</u>
09-18-89	US West	Dual Service, General Rules and Regulations Applying to Telephone Service
09-18-89	US Sprint	Promotional Offerings, Special Service Arrangements
09-19-89	Allnet	Change of Rate Periods, Substantial Reduction of 1st Minute Rates Marginal Increase of Additional Rates, Deletion of 5% Casual Calling Surcharge for its Option 1; Basic MTS Service; Allnet Pacesetter
09-20-89	US West	Dual Service, General Rules and Regulations Applying to Phone Service
09-25-89	GTE	Residential Central Office Access Lines
09-26-89	Allnet	Premier Elite
09-27-89	LT&T	Cancel Call Waiting, Voice Mail Service
09-29-89	Telecom	Check-Link, Personal Hotline
09-29-89	US Sprint	Reduce Rates for DIRECT 800 and FONLINE 800
10-03-89	Nebraska Telephone Assn.	Access Service
10-06-89	Great Plains	Adding Imperial and Palisade, Adds Palisade for Custom Calling, Eliminates Imperial for Speed Calling, Removes Ring Bank & Incoming Only Features in Imperial
10-12-89	Allnet	Instantline 800
10-13-89	LT&T	Service Charges During Special Promotions

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10-13-89	Telecom	Change Additional & Contractual Volume Discount to Corporate Account Billing
10-16-89	Hooper	Revise Off-Premise Station Mileage, Delete Fire Alarm Equipment, Toll Restriction-Word Change, Semi-Public Telephone Service and Wording and Rate Change, Malicious Call Trace
10-17-89	United	Local/General Exchange Tariff
10-17-89	US West	IntraCall Catalog, Custom Calling Service Catalog, Special Promotional Catalog, TeleMarque Service Catalog, Access Service Rate List, New Residence Voice Messaging Service Catalog
10-20-89	ITI	Bulk Transmission Service
10-20-89	Lintel Systems	Inbound 800 Services, Digital (T-1) Access Calling Program Rate Schedule, WATS Calling Program Rate Schedule
10-20-89	LT&T	Voice Mail Service
10-27-89	US West	Group Alerting and Conferencing Service
10-30-89	Stanton	Discontinue Transitional Access Rates, Change Intrastate Access Charge Residual
10-30-89	AT&T	Revisions to Existing Restoral of Service Price List