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Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

We are pleased to submit the Commission's 1991 Annual Report on Telecommunications. This report covers the period of July 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the fifth annual report prepared for the Nebraska Unicameral as required by the Telecommunications Act of 1986 (LB 835). This report contains information regarding activities in the telecommunications field in Nebraska during the past year, and it is intended to help the Legislature monitor the impact of LB 835. Although replete with facts and figures about the Nebraska telecommunication industry, the Commission's recommendations for proposed legislation are the heart of this report.

Again, as in the past five years, the Commission reports that overall this is a strong, stable industry. As in the past three years, the Commission reports that rate cuts were imposed throughout the United States by other state regulators as part of incentive regulation agreements and overearnings. State regulators have imposed rate reductions and refunds during the last year and a half. The net impact of the rate adjustments imposed in 1989 lowered rates by about \$135 million in 1990.

Access lines continue to grow in Nebraska and new dollars continue to be invested in equipment and facilities in our state; however, technologically, some Nebraska communities have networks which are far less advanced than others. Although decreasing, outdated switches still serve more subscribers than we would like in our state. Under deregulation, the continued presence of outmoded switches reflects poorly on the industry.

HIGHLIGHTS

Recent activities of the Nebraska Public Service Commission include: LB 240 - 1990 session, LB 286 - 1991 session, the Extended Area Service (EAS) rules adopted, the LT&T Enhanced Local Calling Area (ELCA) plan and telecommunication infrastructure planning in Nebraska.

LB 240 - NEBRASKA DUAL PARTY RELAY: LB 240, enacted by the 1990 Legislature, created a dual party relay system. The relay is administered by the Commission with the assistance of an Advisory Committee chosen by the Nebraska Commission for the Hearing Impaired. The Hamilton Telephone Company of Aurora, Nebraska was the successful bidder for providing this service and has been operating the relay since January 1, 1991.

A relay service provides specially trained operators who relay conversations between Telephone Device for the Deaf (TDD) users and hearing people using standard voice telephones. The relay operator types the hearing caller's spoken words to the TDD caller. The operator then speaks the typed words received from the TDD caller to the hearing person. The operator acts as a go-between throughout the entire conversation.

The relay service will benefit the hearing community as it opens the door to conversation with the speech and hearing impaired world. The Commission is extremely pleased that deaf and speech impaired individuals within Nebraska have complete telecommunications services available on a 24 hour, 7 day a week basis. Currently the monthly surcharge to operate the relay is 7 cents. The surcharge will be reviewed by the Public Service Commission in September and, if necessary, adjustments will be made.

LB 286 - TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT: This bill was designed to revamp part of LB 835, the telephone deregulation law the Legislature passed in 1986. The highlights of the bill, which was supported by the Commission and the Nebraska telephone industry, are as follows: It directs the Commission to review plans of phone companies that receive windfall money from changes in state or federal tax law. This section is particularly important in view of all the changes that are occurring due to the property tax dilemma. It retains the right of subscribers to petition the Commission if a basic local service increase is requested. Subscribers in larger exchanges have 120 days, rather than 60 days from the date of notice, to petition the Commission. The bill also requires that long distance rates continue to be averaged and determined on distance regardless of destination.

LT&T ELCA: The Commission, the public, and The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company worked for much of the year to develop a new optional EAS calling package. The docket in itself was unique in that we were proceeding to alter many traditional aspects of EAS and attempting to craft alternatives which we believe are in the public interest. This plan will give customers choices in tailoring EAS and long distance rate options to meet their specific calling needs. The plan is based upon a voluminous record created by eight public hearings on the matter. It was approved by the Commission in March, 1991 and will be implemented in August of 1991 for the entire LT&T territory. A complete description of the order can be found in Chapter One.

EAS RULES AND REGULATIONS: The Nebraska Public Service Commission adopted new rules and regulations regarding the offering of EAS for the state in May 1991. EAS provides unlimited calling from one exchange into another. While in the past the Commission determined the rate for this service, the enactment of LB 835 removed that authority. New rules had to be established consistent with the new law. The Commission established new guidelines to determine how requests from a community would be processed and new criteria for determining qualifying exchanges.

The guidelines are summarized below:

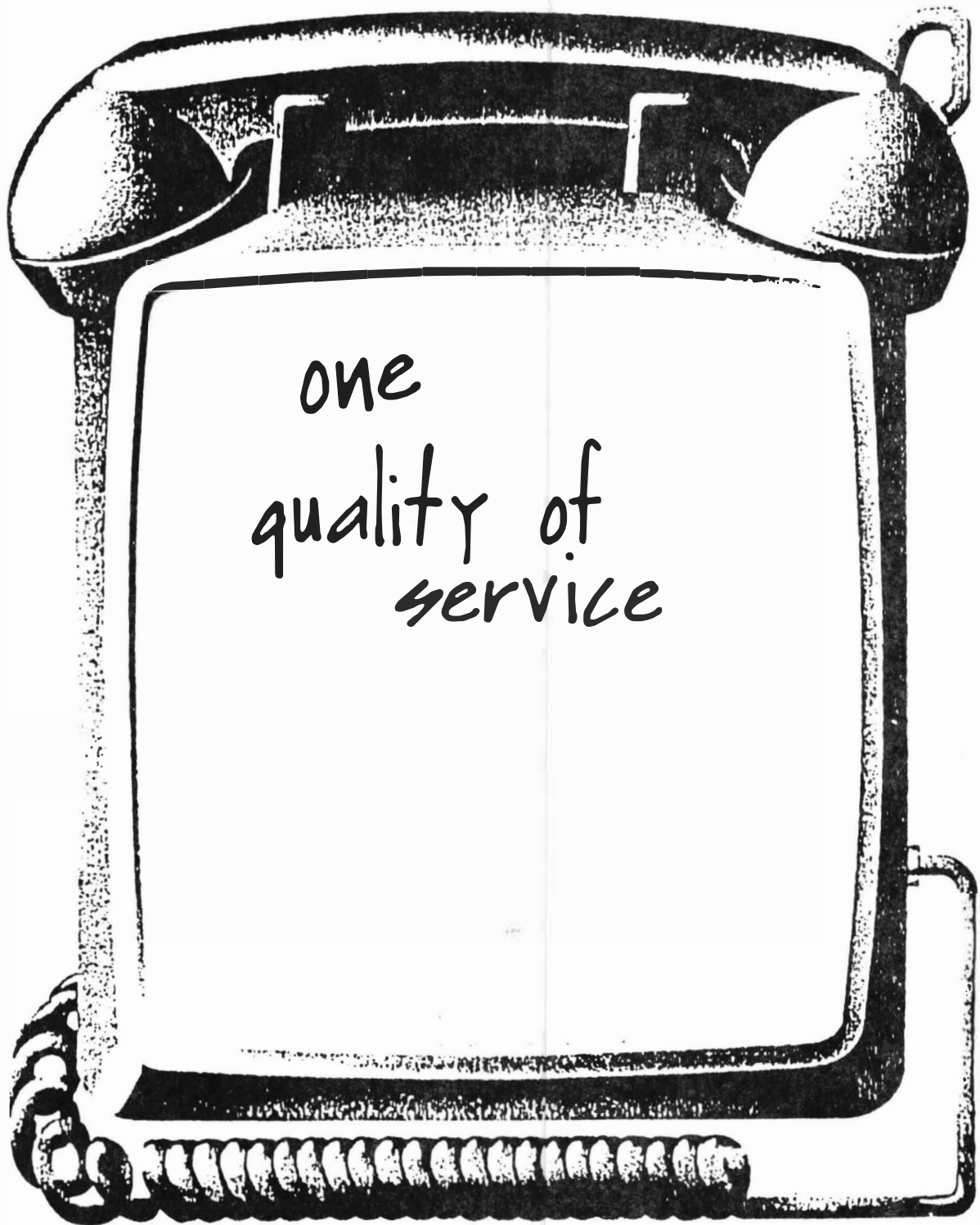
1. A community may request EAS to another community by presenting a petition to the company signed by fifteen percent (15%) or 750 customers, whichever is less.
2. The telephone company does a usage study to determine if sufficient community of interest exists. (There must be an average of five or more calls per customer per month between the two communities and 50% of the customers must make at least two calls per month).
3. If the above criteria are met, then the company must survey both communities to determine if the service is desired at the rates proposed by the company.
4. More than fifty percent (50%) of the phone customers must vote in favor of the proposal.

NEBRASKA TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE: Bill Miller, Director of Communications for the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services, approached the Commission and the local telephone companies with several telecommunication infrastructure opportunities for 1991 to 1995. His concern was to provide an immediate incentive for the local exchange companies to upgrade facilities in a uniform manner across the state, thereby positioning the industry to identify and satisfy the needs of both public and private sectors for the next five years. One example would be a new data service such as frame relay which could evolve to a fiber optic service providing video, voice and data services on an intercity basis. The local telephone companies working through the Nebraska Telephone Association, produced a proposal that spells out the details for providing frame relay and other advanced services. The proposal was presented to the Commission, and the Commission is pleased with the response from the local telephone industry. A trial program is scheduled for the second quarter of 1992.

Finally, this summary section includes the legislative recommendations of the Commission. We hope this report will be a useful tool for the Unicameral to help it keep pace with developments in the telecommunications field. Chapter One examines the quality of telecommunications services being provided to citizens of Nebraska. Chapter Two summarizes the availability of diverse and affordable services. Chapter Three reports on the level of rates of local exchange and interexchange telecommunications companies.

LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Our first and foremost recommendation is to abandon certain aspects of LB 835 and move forward to an incentive type of regulation. The Commission favors some of the approaches taken in LB 835 such as the flexibility of introducing new products and services with ten days notice. This Commission and the Nebraska Legislature have considerable opportunity to sustain and improve the existing laws by initiative and incentive regulation. Examples of such alternative regulatory legislation will be prepared for legislative review and may include price caps and price freezes.
2. Pass LB 590, which provides for a civil fine for disregarding Commission orders, rules and regulations, and for offering telecommunications services or operating an automatic dialing-announcing device without proper authority.
3. Create a Telephone Assistance Program (Lifeline Fund) to support discounted lifeline phone rates. This fund will draw from the state's general tax revenues and will be matched by the federal government fund. Provide program eligibility guidelines for low income customers.
4. Require that 900 information providers reveal the cost of the call prior to the callers incurring a charge. The Commission has special concerns about the 900 offerings aimed at children.
5. Modify §86-901, Neb. Rev. Stat. regarding the dual party relay system. Clarify that for purposes of this act, telephone company shall mean all companies that can provide access to the switched network.



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, 283 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, 1989 to October 31, 1990</u>	<u>June 1, 1990 to June 30, 1991</u>
Service	106	99
Billing	68	58
Miscellaneous	103	83
900#	24	43
Total	301	283

Of the 283 complaints received, 96.4% 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	205	72.4%
Interexchange Carriers	68	24.0
Automatic Dialers/976	3	1.1
Others	7	2.5
Total	283	100.0%

The following explanation of these categories also includes examples of the types of complaints the Commission receives.

Local Exchange Carriers:

Local exchange service is provided by 37 regulated companies in Nebraska. Of these, the five largest companies serve all but 7.0% 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.

These complaints exclude those received as a result of the LT&T Extended Area Service (EAS) proposal. They are reported in a separate section.

Table 3

<u>LEC</u>	<u>Complaints</u>	<u>Access Lines</u>	<u>Percent of Total Access Lines</u>
US West	112	478,137	55.1%
LT&T	45	233,827	26.9
GTE North	12	46,300	5.3
Great Plains	11	25,479	2.9
United	7	23,922	2.8
Others	18	60,397	7.0
Total	205	868,062	100.0%

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

Examples of service complaints include but are not limited to static on the line, cut-offs during calls, or the line going dead.

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 may 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, they protect the telephone company from large uncollected bills and other telephone subscribers from bearing the expense of these uncollectibles.

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.

Interexchange Carriers (IXC's):

Complaints against long distance companies are often billing problems such as being back-billed for calls, 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.

900/Complaints:

The Commission has recorded a growing consumer concern regarding unreasonable practices related to the use of 900/976 services. To ensure that citizens have the opportunity to make informed choices in placing such calls, the Commission supports the Legislature in their study regarding 900/976 services.

A 900/976 service generally refers to a telecommunications service which allows the simultaneous calling by large numbers of callers to a single 900/976 prefix telephone number. The calling party is charged for the call at a rate different from and often higher than that charged for an ordinary long distance call. There are some 900 services which provide valuable assistance and information to customers on a timely basis. The interim study should outline reasonable practices which will alleviate consumer confusion.

One of the practices frequently complained about to the Commission has involved allegations of false or deceptive disclosures of rates and products. Typically, charges range from \$2 to \$50 for a one minute telephone call.

In light of special concerns raised concerning 900/976 pay per call offerings, the interim study could investigate:

- 1) Requiring price, product or service identification in a preamble before a customer incurs a charge for a 900 call;
- 2) Special concerns about the offering aimed at, or likely to be of interest to, children;
- 3) Dispute resolution procedures;
- 4) Price regulation over the cost of the calls; and
- 5) Deceptive or false disclosures of rates and products.

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 all telephone company central offices in the state.

The Commission service evaluation program is designed to test and inspect every central office in the state once every two years. The percentage of local, EAS and toll completion tests which fail Commission objectives has steadily declined due in part to the installation of digital switching equipment, installation of fiber optic cable and improved central office maintenance procedures as recommended by the Commission staff.

Between July 1990 and June 1991, the staff has conducted tests at 288 central offices throughout Nebraska. The majority of the central offices tested have met the Commission standards, however, continued follow-up tests and trouble report monitoring will insure that these standards will be met in the future at locations that initially failed to meet objectives.

The testing program includes placing local, EAS and toll calls through 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 the 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 carrier in Nebraska is providing adequate telecommunications service and is in compliance with Commission Rules and Regulations.



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

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 employed 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 used in Nebraska.

The data in Table 4 reflects that over 65% of the central office switches are either electronic or digital serving 90% of the access lines. These offices are common control and offer most optional services referenced above. Conversely, 162 switches still employ step, relay and crossbar technology serving 10% of the access lines in the state.

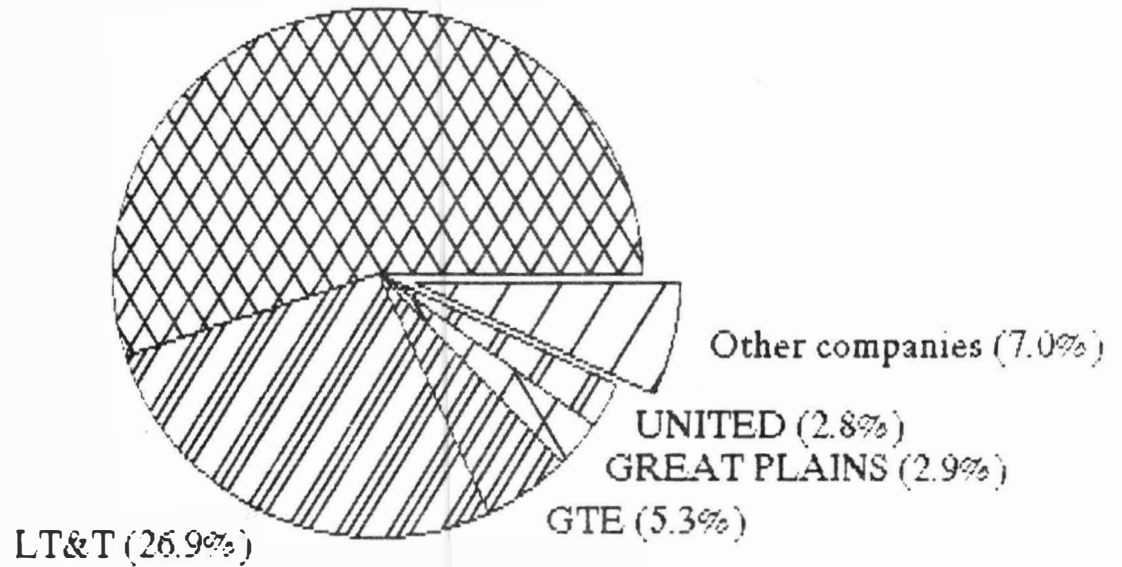
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Switching Technology				
<u>Technology</u>	<u>Number of Switches</u>	<u>Percent Switches</u>	<u>Access Lines</u>	<u>Age in Years</u>
Step-by-step	135	28.5%	7.0%	4-41
Leich Relay	6	1.3	.1	26-34
Crossbar	21	4.4	3.0	14-29
Electronic	23	4.8	22.1	7-20
Digital	<u>289</u>	<u>61.0</u>	<u>67.8</u>	0-14
Total	474	100.0%	100.0%	
Sources: 1990 Telephone Company Annual Reports, Nebraska Public Service Commission 1991 Telephone Surveys				

ACCESS LINES

State of Nebraska

US WEST (55.1%)



Includes unregulated companies such as co-ops.

ACCESS LINE & EXCHANGE DATA

1/1/91

COMPANY	ACCESS LINES		NUMBER OF		COMPANY	ACCESS LINES		NUMBER OF	
	BUS.	RES.				BUS.	RES.		
US WEST	126,548	328,314	478,137	95	LT&T	56,634	165,718	233,827	137
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GTE	11,153	34,434	46,300	37	GREAT PLAINS	4,593	20,366	25,479	51
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UNITED	5,440	18,213	23,922	13	CONSOLIDATED	412	2,365	2,836	15
NEBRASKA CENTRAL	993	4,865	6,008	12	UNITED	5,440	18,213	23,922	13
BLAIR	955	4,366	5,421	3	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	993	4,865	6,008	12
HAMILTON	1,059	3,878	5,386	9	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	449	3,354	3,917	12
SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	622	3,263	3,937	2	HAMILTON	1,059	3,878	5,386	9
NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	449	3,354	3,917	12	GLENWOOD	398	2,192	2,618	9
COZAD	732	2,064	2,881	1	EASTERN NEBRASKA	475	1,908	2,402	8
CONSOLIDATED	412	2,365	2,836	15	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	269	1,213	1,497	5
GLENWOOD	398	2,192	2,618	9	DALTON	251	954	1,235	5
EASTERN NEBRASKA	475	1,908	2,402	8	THREE RIVER	153	1,026	1,185	5
PIERCE	238	1,426	1,727	2	DILLER	72	778	860	4
CONSOLIDATED TELCO	269	1,213	1,497	5	BLAIR	955	4,366	5,421	3
HARTINGTON	434	997	1,433	1	ARAPAHOE	167	841	1,022	3
DALTON	251	954	1,235	5	CLARKS	112	830	961	3
THREE RIVER	153	1,026	1,185	5	HARTMAN	0	440	443	3
CAMBRIDGE	231	936	1,178	2	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	622	3,263	3,937	2
HOOPER	222	932	1,163	2	PIERCE	238	1,426	1,727	2
BENKELMAN	253	883	1,160	1	CAMBRIDGE	231	936	1,178	2
PLAINVIEW	193	933	1,153	1	HOOPER	222	932	1,163	2
STANTON	189	854	1,058	1	ROCK COUNTY	183	820	1,013	2
ARAPAHOE	167	841	1,022	3	HOME	71	640	721	2
ROCK COUNTY	183	820	1,013	2	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	120	491	635	2
CLARKS	112	830	961	3	K&M	76	527	610	2
ARLINGTON	122	818	948	1	COZAD	732	2,064	2,881	1
HENDERSON	76	796	888	1	HARTINGTON	434	997	1,433	1
DILLER	72	778	860	4	BENKELMAN	253	883	1,160	1
HEMINGFORD	113	721	846	1	PLAINVIEW	193	933	1,153	1
CURTIS	180	592	780	1	STANTON	189	854	1,058	1
HOME	71	640	721	2	ARLINGTON	122	818	948	1
HERSHEY	93	590	688	1	HENDERSON	76	796	888	1
WAUNETA	113	518	639	1	HEMINGFORD	113	721	846	1
KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	120	491	635	2	CURTIS	180	592	780	1
K&M	76	527	610	2	HERSHEY	93	590	688	1
HARTMAN	0	440	443	3	WAUNETA	113	518	639	1
PETERSBURG	48	386	436	1	PETERSBURG	48	386	436	1
EUSTIS	62	369	434	1	EUSTIS	62	369	434	1
ELSIE	26	167	196	1	ELSIE	26	167	196	1
SODTOWN	3	79	82	1	SODTOWN	3	79	82	1
TOTAL	214,533	615,857	868,062	460	TOTAL	214,533	615,857	868,062	460

EQUAL ACCESS

Equal access is a coding method enabling telephone subscribers to choose a long distance carrier that will route and bill their toll calls. In exchanges where equal access is offered, subscribers access their selected long distance 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 a long distance carrier, the local exchange carrier must code the subscriber's access line to route toll calls to the long distance carrier selected by the subscriber. In exchanges where equal access is not available, subscribers must dial extra digits to access the alternative long distance carrier of their choice.

In Nebraska, equal access is offered in 200 exchanges serving 735,984 access lines or 85% of the total access lines. Table 5 shows the exchanges where equal access is offered or will be offered on or before January 1, 1992, the local exchange carrier serving each exchange and the date each exchange was converted to equal access. The number of long distance carriers varies on each equal access ballot depending upon the interest shown by the long distance carriers in serving the exchange.

Table 5

1/1/92 EQUAL ACCESS EXCHANGES

Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines	Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines
Adams	LT&T	02-Dec-89	377	Crete	LT&T	28-Mar-87	2,870
Alexandria	LT&T	01-Dec-90	168	Davenport	LT&T	12-Dec-87	347
Allen-Waterbury	US West	11-Feb-89	384	Davey	LT&T	02-Dec-89	375
* Alliance	US West	18-May-91	5,632	David City	LT&T	30-May-87	1,716
Alvo-Eagle	LT&T	02-Dec-89	772	Daykin	LT&T	01-Dec-90	230
Ashland	LT&T	03-Dec-88	2,004	Decatur	US West	31-Dec-89	404
Atkinson	US West	09-Mar-90	1,281	Denton	LT&T	02-Dec-89	315
Auburn	LT&T	30-Jan-88	2,310	Deweese	LT&T	12-Dec-87	125
* Avoca	LT&T	07-Dec-91	222	DeWitt	LT&T	01-Dec-90	463
Barneston	LT&T	28-Mar-87	158	Dorchester	LT&T	28-Mar-87	419
* Battle Creek	GTE	14-Dec-91	751	Douglas	LT&T	01-Dec-90	180
Beatrice	LT&T	28-Mar-87	7,500	Dunbar	LT&T	12-Dec-87	256
Beaver City	GTE	27-Oct-90	496	Duncan	GTE	24-Feb-90	320
Beaver Crossino	LT&T	02-Dec-89	340	Dwight	LT&T	02-Dec-89	182
Bellevue	US West	15-Mar-85	19,531	Edgar	LT&T	12-Dec-87	379
Bellwood	LT&T	30-May-87	390	Edison	GTE	16-Dec-89	153
Benedict	LT&T	30-May-87	240	Elkhorn-Waterloo	US West	25-Jan-86	3,717
Bennet	LT&T	02-Dec-89	569	* Elmwood	LT&T	07-Dec-91	458
Bennington	US West	07-Dec-85	852	* Elwood	US West	28-Sep-91	1,064
* Big Springs	US West	13-Jul-91	458	* Emerson	US West	31-Aug-91	592
Bradshaw	LT&T	30-May-87	238	Exeter	LT&T	30-May-87	448
Brainard	LT&T	12-Dec-87	383	Fairbury	LT&T	01-Dec-90	3,059
Brock	LT&T	30-Jan-88	142	Fairfield	LT&T	01-Dec-90	320
* Broken Bow	US West	28-Sep-91	2,747	Fairmont	LT&T	30-May-87	420
Brownville	LT&T	30-Jan-88	198	* Farnam	US West	21-Dec-91	188
* Brule	US West	10-Aug-91	324	* Filley	LT&T	07-Dec-91	189
Bruno	LT&T	30-May-87	222	Firth	LT&T	15-Nov-86	392
Brunswick	GTE	17-Nov-90	237	Fremont	US West	13-Dec-86	14,234
* Burr	LT&T	07-Dec-91	120	Friend	LT&T	28-Mar-87	755
Cairo	US West	12-Mar-88	539	Garland	LT&T	02-Dec-89	209
Carleton	LT&T	30-May-87	124	Geneva	LT&T	02-Apr-88	1,685
* Cedar Rapids	US West	19-Oct-91	632	Gering	United	25-Jun-88	4,222
Ceresco	LT&T	30-May-87	499	Glenvil	LT&T	01-Dec-90	312
Chadron	US West	30-Sep-89	3,842	Gordon	US West	31-Dec-89	1,734
Chambers	K&M	12-Dec-90	442	* Gothenburg	US West	31-Aug-91	2,099
Clarks	Clarks	15-Nov-89	453	* Grafton	LT&T	07-Dec-91	133
* Clarkson	US West	19-Jan-91	636	Grand Island	US West	12-Mar-88	24,926
Clatonia	LT&T	01-Dec-90	205	Greenwood	LT&T	02-Dec-89	313
Clay Center	LT&T	12-Dec-87	560	* Gresham	LT&T	07-Dec-91	247
* Colon	LT&T	07-Dec-91	142	Gretna	US West	07-Dec-85	1,618
Columbus	GTE	28-Feb-86	12,221	* Guide Rock	LT&T	07-Dec-91	284
Cook	LT&T	12-Dec-87	330	Hallam	LT&T	20-Jan-87	231
Cordova	LT&T	10-Nov-87	134	Hansen	LT&T	15-Nov-86	316
Cortland	LT&T	20-Jan-87	362	Harvard	LT&T	15-Nov-86	536
Crab Orchard	LT&T	02-Dec-89	94	Hastings	LT&T	15-Nov-86	13,101

* 1991 Conversions

Table 5

1/1/92 EQUAL ACCESS EXCHANGES

Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines	Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines
Heartwell	GTE	27-Jan-90	114	Omaha-135th St	US West	12-Jul-86	28,116
Hebron	LT&T	30-May-87	1,285	Omaha-156th St	US West	04-May-85	15,169
Hickman	LT&T	02-Dec-89	763	Omaha-78th St	US West	27-Apr-85	14,275
* Holdrege	US West	16-Nov-91	3,623	Omaha-84th St	US West	22-Feb-86	30,137
* Howells	US West	19-Jan-91	619	Omaha-90th St	US West	15-Jun-85	37,809
* Humboldt	LT&T	07-Dec-91	846	Omaha-Douglas	US West	13-Apr-85	54,017
Humphrey-Creston	US West	11-Feb-89	1,001	Omaha-Fort	US West	15-May-85	21,184
Inman	K&M	12-Dec-90	168	Omaha-Fowler	US West	07-Dec-85	23,738
* Ithica	LT&T	07-Dec-91	149	Omaha-Izard	US West	29-Jun-85	37,091
Jansen	LT&T	01-Dec-90	162	Omaha-O St	US West	18-Jan-86	24,133
Johnson	LT&T	02-Dec-89	367	Orchard	GTE	29-Jul-89	467
Julian	LT&T	30-Jan-88	82	Orleans	GTE	23-Jun-90	370
Juniata	LT&T	03-Dec-88	553	Osceola	LT&T	12-Dec-87	739
Kearney	GTE	31-Jan-86	25,959	Otoe	LT&T	12-Dec-87	126
Kenesaw	LT&T	15-Nov-86	484	O'Neill	US West	31-Dec-89	2,911
* Kimball	United	15-Nov-91	1,987	Palmyra	LT&T	02-Dec-89	390
Laurel	US West	11-Feb-89	749	Panama	LT&T	01-Dec-90	226
Lexington	US West	26-Jan-90	4,478	Pawnee City	LT&T	01-Dec-90	780
Liberty	LT&T	28-Mar-87	132	Pender	US West	12-Jan-90	1,074
Lincoln-15th&M	LT&T	15-Nov-86	67,679	Peru	LT&T	02-Dec-89	493
Lincoln-27th&OC	LT&T	15-Nov-86	13,188	Pickrell	LT&T	03-Dec-88	281
Lincoln-48th&South	LT&T	15-Nov-86	26,590	Pilger	US West	11-Feb-89	365
Lincoln-49th&Walker	LT&T	15-Nov-86	22,429	Platte Center	GTE	28-Feb-86	486
Lincoln-Air Park	LT&T	06-Jan-87	1,433	Plattsouth	LT&T	30-May-87	3,863
Lindsav	GTE	29-Jul-89	377	Pleasant Dale	LT&T	02-Dec-89	292
Louisville	LT&T	12-Dec-87	1,033	Pleasanton	GTE	13-Dec-86	371
* Lyons	US West	18-May-91	836	Plymouth	LT&T	28-Mar-87	399
Malcolm	LT&T	02-Dec-89	457	Polk	LT&T	30-May-87	408
Martell	LT&T	15-Nov-86	323	Raymond	LT&T	15-Nov-86	338
* McCool Junction	LT&T	07-Dec-91	377	Republican City	GTE	18-Nov-89	298
Mead	LT&T	03-Dec-88	358	Rising City	LT&T	01-Dec-90	326
Milford	LT&T	02-Dec-89	1,311	Riverdale	GTE	31-Jan-86	239
Monroe	GTE	24-Feb-90	262	Ruskin	LT&T	03-Dec-88	156
Morrill	United	25-Jun-88	1,104	Schuyler	US West	31-Dec-89	2,573
Murdock	LT&T	12-Dec-87	283	Scottsbluff	United	25-Jun-88	10,182
Murray	LT&T	01-Dec-90	804	Seward	LT&T	28-Mar-87	3,487
Nebraska City	LT&T	28-Mar-87	3,992	Shelby	LT&T	12-Dec-87	540
Nehavka	LT&T	30-May-87	232	Sidney	US West	03-Dec-88	4,172
* Neligh	GTE	26-Jan-91	1,296	So. Sioux-Dak. City	US West	11-Feb-89	6,546
Nelson	LT&T	12-Dec-87	591	Springfield	US West	26-Mar-88	1,117
Nemaha	LT&T	30-Jan-88	141	Staplehurst	Clarks	15-Nov-89	271
Norfolk	US West	11-Feb-89	14,148	Steele City	LT&T	01-Dec-90	99
North Platte	US West	31-Dec-88	14,204	Sterling	LT&T	12-Dec-87	452
Oakland	US West	12-Jan-90	986	Stromsburg	LT&T	12-Dec-87	865
Octavia	LT&T	30-May-87	126	* Stuart	US West	16-Nov-91	505

* 1991 Conversions

Table 5

1/1/92 EQUAL ACCESS EXCHANGES

Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines	Exchange	Company	Conversion Date	Access Lines
St. Libory	US West	12-Mar-88	349	Valley	US West	26-Mar-88	1,924
* Sumner	GTE	23-Feb-91	201	Valparaiso	LT&T	15-Nov-86	492
Superior	LT&T	12-Dec-87	1,624	Wahoo	LT&T	30-May-87	2,279
Surorise	LT&T	12-Dec-87	93	Wakefield	US West	11-Feb-89	851
Sutton	LT&T	01-Dec-90	1,078	Waverly	LT&T	02-Apr-88	1,161
Swanton	LT&T	01-Dec-90	111	Wayne	US West	21-Apr-90	3,497
Syracuse	LT&T	02-Dec-89	1,196	Weeping Water	LT&T	30-May-87	784
Table Rock	LT&T	12-Dec-87	261	Western	LT&T	12-Dec-87	240
Tamora	LT&T	02-Dec-89	197	Wilber	LT&T	01-Dec-90	1,065
Tecumseh	LT&T	02-Dec-89	1,386	Winside	US West	11-Feb-89	365
Tekamah	US West	17-Nov-90	1,267	Wood River	US West	12-Mar-88	818
Ulysses	Clarks	15-Nov-89	237	Wymore	LT&T	01-Dec-90	1,148
Union	LT&T	28-Mar-87	419	York	LT&T	30-May-87	5,004
Utica	LT&T	10-Nov-87	521	* Yutan	LT&T	07-Dec-91	662

EXTENDED AREA SERVICE

Extended Area Service (EAS) permits subscribers in one exchange to place and receive two-way switched telecommunications to and from subscribers in one or more other exchanges without a 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 are recovered as a part of the basic local exchange rate. At present, 351 exchanges have available either one-way or two-way EAS to 767,043 access lines or 88.4% of the total access lines in service (see Table 6). The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company provides Optional EAS to 126 of its 137 exchanges representing 97.1% of their access lines in service. Historically, EAS has been provided on a non-optional basis, however, The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company initiated EAS service to the community of Ceresco on an optional basis and effective August 16, 1991 made all EAS service optional to their customers. This may be a 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.

Table 6

Availability of EAS

	EXCHANGE	ACCESS LINES	PERCENT <u>ACCESS LINES</u>	PERCENT <u>EXCHANGES</u>
<u>TOTAL STATE:</u>				
NO EAS	109	101,019	11.6%	23.7%
2-WAY EAS	225	539,884	62.2	48.9
OPTIONAL EAS	126	<u>227,159</u>	26.2	27.4
	460	868,062	100.0%	100.0%
<u>LT&T</u>				
NO EAS	11	6,668	2.9%	8.0%
OPTIONAL EAS	126	<u>227,159</u>	97.1	92.0
	137	233,827	100.0%	100.0%

Source: 1990 Telephone Company Annual Reports,
Nebraska Public Service Commission

At the present time there are two EAS matters before the Commission:

1) On November 1, 1989, the community of Ashland filed applications with the Commission for extended area service to Omaha (C-788) and to the Lincoln Common Service Area and Wahoo (C-789). On March 6, 1990, the Omaha application was withdrawn. Application C-789 is being held in abeyance at the consent of the parties, while they evaluate the new EAS plan being implemented on August 16, 1991.

2) On March 5, 1991, the Commission adopted an order regarding Extended Area Service in the LT&T territory. A copy of the order is included in the appendix.

The Commission adopted new rules and regulations regarding the offering of Extended Area Service (EAS) for the state in May of 1991. EAS provides extended local calling from one neighboring exchange into another. While in the past the Commission determined the rate for this service, a deregulation law, (LB 835) passed several years ago, removed that authority. New rules had to be established consistent with the new law and to meet the needs of Nebraska communities. The Commission established new guidelines to determine how requests from a community would be processed and new criteria for determining qualifying exchanges. Under the new law, the companies determine the price of this service.

The new guidelines and regulations governing EAS are summarized below:

1. A community may request EAS to a neighboring community by presenting a petition to the company with evidence of support by signatures of fifteen percent (15%) or 750 customers whichever is less.

2. The telephone company does a usage study to determine if sufficient community of interest exists. (There must be an average of five or more calls per customer per month and 50% of the customers must make at least two calls per month.)

3. If the above criteria are met, then the company must survey both communities with the cost of the service to determine if the service is desired at the cost quoted and priced by the company.

4. More than fifty percent (50%) of the customers eligible to vote must vote in favor of the proposal.

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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	44	3	327	0	3	377
AINSWORTH	US WEST	1	1	338	18	1,205	0	33	1,594
ALBION	GTE	1	1	348	10	1,255	0	6	1,619
ALEXANDRIA	LT&T	2	0	8	2	156	0	2	168
ALLEN-WATERBURY	US WEST	1	1	44	5	328	0	7	384
ALLIANCE	US WEST	1	1	1,024	55	4,498	0	55	5,632
ALMA	GTE	3	3	201	11	624	0	6	842
ALVO-EAGLE	LT&T	19	19	45	6	720	0	1	772
AMHERST	GTE	2	2	14	1	279	0	0	294
ANGELMO	CONSOLIDATED	1	1	20	2	195	0	0	217
ANSLEY	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	62	3	449	0	1	515
ARAPAHOE	ARAPAHOE	2	2	137	3	604	9	0	753
ARCADIA	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	0	0	46	3	295	0	1	345
ARCHER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	22	0	84	0	0	106
ARLINGTON	ARLINGTON	1	1	122	8	818	0	0	948
ARNOLD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	129	3	521	0	9	662
ARTHUR	CONSOLIDATED	0	0	31	2	187	0	0	220
ASHBY	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	11	1	72	0	0	84
ASHLAND	LT&T	0	0	257	62	1,669	0	16	2,004
ASHTON	US WEST	1	1	17	0	180	0	8	205
ATKINSON	US WEST	2	2	210	8	1,046	0	17	1,281
ATLANTA	US WEST	1	1	13	0	90	0	4	107
AUBURN	LT&T	0	5	407	30	1,846	9	18	2,310
AURORA	HAMILTON	8	8	848	27	1,919	28	93	2,915
AVOCA	LT&T	2	2	14	1	200	0	7	222
AXTELL	US WEST	2	2	70	3	349	0	4	426
BANCROFT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	86	2	391	0	5	484
BARNESTON	LT&T	3	3	10	3	142	0	3	158
BARTLETT	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	32	3	107	0	16	158
BARTLEY	CAMBRIDGE	1	1	36	1	203	0	0	240
BASSETT	ROCK COUNTY	1	1	168	6	628	3	0	805
BATTLE CREEK	GTE	2	2	98	1	651	0	1	751
BAYARD	UNITED	6	6	133	3	819	0	0	955
BEATRICE	LT&T	2	6	1,289	112	6,037	13	49	7,500
BEAVER CITY	GTE	0	0	92	2	401	0	1	496
BEAVER CROSSING	LT&T	1	0	19	2	314	0	5	340
BEEMER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	121	5	413	0	5	544
BELDEN	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	19	1	105	0	0	125
BELGRADE (SEE CEDAR RAPIDS)	US WEST	2	2						0
BELLWOOD	LT&T	1	0	29	3	356	0	2	390
BENEDICT	LT&T	1	0	21	2	216	0	1	240
BENKELMAN	BENKELMAN	0	0	253	10	883	14	0	1,160
BENNET	LT&T	19	19	37	4	528	0	0	569
BENNINGTON	US WEST	6	6	85	5	750	0	12	852
BERTRAND	GTE	1	1	86	2	503	0	2	593

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
BIG SPRINGS	US WEST		1	61	43	344	0	10	458
BINGHAM	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	3	2	48	0	0	53
BLADEN	GLENWOOD	8	8	23	2	158	0	0	183
BLAIR	BLAIR	3	3	853	29	3,528	65	0	4,475
BLOOMFIELD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	195	3	924	0	8	1,130
BLOOMINGTON	GTE	2	2	7	2	130	0	0	139
BLUE HILL	GLENWOOD	8	8	145	2	611	16	0	774
BOELUS	US WEST	3	3	10	1	165	0	5	181
BRADSHAW	LT&T	1	0	31	4	202	0	1	238
BRADY	HOME	0	0	33	2	365	0	1	401
BRAINARD	LT&T	1	1	31	6	341	0	5	383
BREWSTER	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	12	2	89	0	0	103
BRIDGEPORT	US WEST	0	0	253	16	1,004	0	28	1,301
BRISTOW (SEE SPENCER)	US WEST	3	3						0
BROADWATER	UNITED	0	0	26	1	156	0	0	183
BROCK	LT&T	1	0	13	1	124	0	4	142
BROKEN BOW	US WEST	0	0	593	23	2,089	0	42	2,747
BROWNLEE	CONSOLIDATED	4	4	2	0	80	0	0	82
BROWNVILLE	LT&T	1	0	73	9	113	0	3	198
BRULE	US WEST	2	2	50	4	263	0	7	324
BRUNING	LT&T	1	0	43	3	256	0	1	303
BRUND	LT&T	1	0	10		209	0	2	222
BRUNSWICK	GTE	2	2	34		202	0	0	237
BURCHARD	LT&T		0	20	2	155		3	181
BURR	LT&T	0	0	15	1	101	0	3	120
BURWELL	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	4	4	270	20	957	26	5	1,278
BUSHNELL	DALTON	0	0	39	4	132	0	0	175
BUTTE	US WEST	3	3	61	2	314	0	5	382
BYRON	GREAT PLAINS			25		162	0	2	190
CAIRO	US WEST	2	2	53	4	474	0	8	539
CALLAWAY	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	95	2	435	0	7	539
CAMBRIDGE	CAMBRIDGE	1	1	195	10	733	0	0	938
CAMPBELL	GLENWOOD	8	8	50	2	243	0	0	295
CARLETON	LT&T	1	0	18	2	103	0		124
CARROLL	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	24	1	252	0	0	277
CEDAR BLUFFS	LT&T	1	0	32	4	416	0	1	453
CEDAR RAPIDS-PRIMROSE-BELGRADE	US WEST	2	2	78	2	542	0	10	632
CENTER	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	47	2	84	0	4	137
CENTRAL CITY	US WEST	2	2	338	17	1,519	0	17	1,891
CERESCO	LT&T	20	19	48	5	440	0	6	499
CHADRON	US WEST	2	2	1,287	52	2,427	0	76	3,842
CHAMBERS	K&M	2	2	63	4	373	1	1	442
CHAPMAN	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	32	2	274	0	0	308
CHAPPELL	UNITED	0	0	164	8	608	0	0	780
CHESTER-HUBBELL-REYNOLDS	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	83	7	353	0	0	443

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
CLARKS	CLARKS	0	0	61	3	375	14	0	453
CLARKSON	US WEST	0	0	71	1	554	0	10	636
CLATONIA	LT&T	1	1	26	2	174	0	3	205
CLAY CENTER	LT&T	0	5	137	8	405	0	10	560
CLEARWATER	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	68	1	403	10	9	491
CODY	US WEST	0	0	26	2	174	0	8	210
COLERIDGE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	73	3	406	0	28	510
COLON	LT&T	1	0	6	1	134	0	1	142
COLUMBUS	GTE	3	3	2,674	97	8,971	0	135	11,877
COMSTOCK	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	10	1	151	0	0	162
COOK	LT&T	1	0	32	2	293	0	3	330
CORDOVA	LT&T	1	0	11	3	116	0	4	134
CORTLAND	LT&T	19	19	10	4	348	0	0	362
COTESFIELD	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	12	1	75	0	0	88
COZAD	COZAD	0	0	732	17	2,064	0	68	2,881
CRAB ORCHARD	LT&T	1	0	5	1	82	0	6	94
CRAIG	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	15	3	265	0	5	288
CRAWFORD-WHITNEY	US WEST	3	3	153	16	873	0	13	1,055
CREIGHTON	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	167	6	795	0	24	992
CRESTON (SEE HUMPHREY)	US WEST	2	2						0
CRETE	LT&T	0	1	461	67	2,329	0	13	2,870
CROFTON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	116	8	753	0	5	882
CROOKSTON	US WEST	1	1	7	0	122	0	5	134
CULBERTSON	US WEST	1	1	52	4	501	0	4	561
CURTIS	CURTIS	1	1	180	6	592	0	2	780
DAKOTA CITY (SEE S. SIOUX CITY)	US WEST	2	2						0
DALTON	DALTON	0	0	68	10	269	0	0	347
DANBURY	HARTMAN	1	1	0	1	75	0	0	76
DANNEBROG	US WEST	3	3	25	2	288	0	4	319
DAVENPORT	LT&T	0	0	59	2	285	0	1	347
DAVEY	LT&T	19	19	21	3	351	0	0	375
DAVID CITY	LT&T	1	6	290	37	1,364	4	21	1,716
DAWSON	LT&T	1	0	23	3	184	0	2	212
DAYKIN	LT&T	1	0	22	3	202	0	3	230
DECATUR	US WEST	2	2	47	4	344	0	9	404
DENTON	LT&T	19	19	10	4	301	0	0	315
DESHLER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	103	3	558	0	8	672
DEWEESE	LT&T	2	0	10	2	112	0	1	125
DEWITT	LT&T	2	1	52	4	402	0	5	463
DILLER	DILLER	2	2	26	3	253	0	0	282
DIX	DALTON	0	0	43	3	133	0	0	179
DIXON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	37	2	261	0	1	301
DODGE	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	103	2	483	0	3	591
DONIPHAN	HAMILTON	7	7	150	5	471	30	3	659
DORCHESTER	LT&T	1	0	29	3	383	0	4	419

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
DOUGLAS	LT&T	1	1	14	2	164	0	0	180
DUBOIS	LT&T	1	1	12	1	141	0	3	157
DUNBAR	LT&T	1	1	13	2	239	0	2	256
DUNCAN	GTE	1	1	29	3	287	0	1	320
DUNNING	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	17	6	153	0	0	176
DWIGHT	LT&T	2		13	2	162	0	5	182
EDGAR	LT&T	1	0	63	4	310	0	2	379
EDISON	GTE	1	1	23	1	129	0	0	153
ELBA	US WEST	3	3	16	1	133	0	4	154
ELGIN	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	134	4	620	0	5	763
ELK CREEK	LT&T	1	0	14	0	132	0	3	149
ELKHORN-WATERLOO	US WEST	6	6	517	34	3,134	0	32	3,717
ELM CREEK	US WEST	2	2	82	10	571	0	8	671
ELMWOOD	LT&T	1	1	45	3	406	0	4	458
ELSIE	ELSIE MUTUAL	0	0	26	2	167	0	1	196
ELWOOD	US WEST	1	1	119	7	928	0	10	1,064
EMERSON	US WEST	0	0	70	3	510	0	9	592
ERICSON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	32	3	159	0	0	194
EUSTIS	EUSTIS	0	0	62	1	371	0	0	434
EWING	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	73	4	282	0	15	374
EXETER	LT&T	0	1	59	2	386	0	1	448
FAIRBURY	LT&T	0	4	488	39	2,490	14	28	3,059
FAIRFIELD	LT&T	1	1	44	1	264	0	11	320
FAIRMONT	LT&T	1	0	61	5	353	0	1	420
FALLS CITY	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	1		581	21	2,729	14	11	3,356
FARNAM	US WEST	0	0	23	1	160	0	4	188
FARWELL	US WEST	3	3	13	1	132	0	4	150
FILLEY	LT&T	1	0	16	2	170	0	1	189
FIRTH	LT&T	19	19	40	5	347	0	0	392
FORT CALHOUN	BLAIR	2	2	82	5	573	0	0	660
FRANKLIN	GTE	3	3	183	4	641	0	1	829
FREMONT	US WEST	0	0	2,717	162	11,248	0	107	14,234
FRIEND	LT&T	0	0	111	10	630	0	4	755
FULLERTON	US WEST	1	1	157	9	809	0	10	985
FUNK	GLENWOOD	3	3	36	1	251	0	0	288
GARLAND	LT&T	1	0	8	3	195	0	3	209
GENEVA	LT&T	0	4	390	20	1,240	21	14	1,685
GENOA	GTE	1		109	5	592	0	1	707
GERING	UNITED	6	6	759	14	3,441	0	8	4,222
GIBBON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	178	12	872	0	13	1,075
GILTNER	HAMILTON	5	5	56	1	270	0	1	328
GLENVIL	LT&T	1	1	24	1	276	0	11	312
GORDON	US WEST	1	1	336	17	1,352	0	29	1,734
GOTHENBURG	US WEST	0	0	378	20	1,683	0	18	2,099
GRAFTON	LT&T	1	0	18	2	111	0	2	133

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EXCHANGE	COMPANY	EAS		ACCESS LINES					TOTAL
		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
GRAND ISLAND	US WEST	6	6	5,890	306	16,842	0	1,888	24,926
GRANT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	265	8	749	0	40	1,062
GREELEY	GTE	3	3	73	1	281	0	3	358
GREENWOOD	LT&T	19	19	24	3	286	0	0	313
GRESHAM	LT&T	1	1	18	1	227	0	1	247
GRETNA	US WEST	6	6	203	21	1,386	0	8	1,618
GUIDE ROCK	LT&T	0	0	30	2	251	0	1	284
GURLEY	DALTON	0	0	46	4	140	0	0	190
HAIGLER	HARTMAN	0	0	0	1	204	0	0	205
HALLAM	LT&T	19	19	18	4	207	0	2	231
HALSEY	CONSOLIDATED	5	5	26	3	79	0	0	108
HAMPTON	HAMILTON	4	4	85	4	300	0	3	392
HANSEN	LT&T	5	5	35	1	266	0	14	316
HARBINE	DILLER	2	2	6	1	110	0	0	117
HARDY	LT&T	1	1	23	2	123	0	2	150
HARRISON	US WEST	2	2	53	4	274	0	9	340
HARTINGTON	HARTINGTON	0	0	434	0	997	2	0	1,433
HARVARD	LT&T	1	0	55	4	467	0	10	536
HASTINGS	LT&T	4	4	2,617	207	10,073	70	134	13,101
HAY SPRINGS	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	87	3	458	0	18	566
HAYES CENTER	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	55	3	242	0	8	308
HEARTWELL	GTE	1	1	19	1	93	0	1	114
HEBRON	LT&T	0	3	274	18	982	0	11	1,285
HEMINGFORD	HEMINGFORD COOP	1	1	113	12	721	0	0	846
HENDERSON	HENDERSON COOP	0	0	76	9	796	7	0	888
HENDLEY	ARAPAHOE	2	2	7	1	51	0	0	59
HERMAN	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	76	2	333	0	0	411
HERSHEY	HERSHEY COOP	0	0	93	5	590	0	0	688
HICKMAN	LT&T	19	19	50	5	708	0	0	763
HILDRETH	GTE	1	1	40	1	307	0	0	348
HOLBROOK	ARAPAHOE	2	2	23	1	186	0	0	210
HOLDREGE	US WEST	3	3	793	30	2,760	0	40	3,623
HOLSTEIN	GLENWOOD	8	8	23	1	192	0	0	216
HOMER	US WEST	2	2	37	3	345	0	12	397
HOOPER	HOOPER	1	1	171	2	725	0	5	903
HORDVILLE	HAMILTON	5	5	21	1	122	0	0	144
HOSKINS	PIERCE	1	1	31	3	294	0	5	333
HOWELLS	US WEST	0	0	70	2	535	0	12	619
HUBBELL (SEE CHESTER)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
HUMBOLDT	LT&T	0	1	124	11	707	0	4	846
HUMPHREY-CRESTON	US WEST	2	2	129	6	859	0	8	1,002
HYANNIS	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	70	10	301	0	0	381
IMPERIAL	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	426	10	1,318	0	24	1,778
INDIANOLA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	86	3	459	0	9	557
INMAN	K&M	2	2	13	0	154	0	1	168

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		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
ITHACA	LT&T	1	0	16	1	129	0	3	149
JACKSON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	0	0	69	4	396	0	1	470
JANSEN	LT&T	1	0	17	3	140	0	2	162
JOHNSON	LT&T	1	0	35	3	326	0	3	367
JOHNSTOWN	THREE RIVER	0	0	14	0	111	0	0	125
JULIAN	LT&T	1	0	6	1	72	0	3	82
JUNIATA	LT&T	4	4	46	3	490	0	14	553
KEARNEY	GTE	4	4	5,247	145	10,517	0	157	16,066
KENESAW	LT&T	4	4	51	6	415	0	12	484
KENNARD	BLAIR	3	3	20	1	265	0	0	286
KEYSTONE	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	1	1	86	15	143	0	0	244
KILGORE	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	14	1	75	0	0	90
KIMBALL	UNITED	0	0	544	20	1,404	0	19	1,987
LAUREL	US WEST	0	0	110	7	626	0	6	749
LAWRENCE	GLENWOOD	8	8	43	1	299	0	0	343
LEBANON	HARTMAN	1	1	0	1	161	0	0	162
LEIGH	GTE	0	0	66	2	442	0	1	511
LENDYNE	KEYSTONE-ARTHUR	1	1	34	9	348	0	0	391
LEWELLEN	UNITED	1	1	60	1	279	0	0	340
LEXINGTON	US WEST	2	2	1,032	65	3,338	0	43	4,478
LIBERTY	LT&T	3	3	7	2	120	0	3	132
LINCOLN 27TH & OLD CHENEY(421)	LT&T	19	19	481	52	3,840	0	9	4,382
LINCOLN 27TH & OLD CHENEY(423)	LT&T	19	19	1,148	23	7,621	0	14	8,806
LINCOLN 400 SOUTH 84TH(48X)	LT&T	19	19	SEE 48TH & SOUTH					0
LINCOLN 48TH & SOUTH(48X)	LT&T	19	19	3,551	212	22,821	0	6	26,590
LINCOLN 49TH & WALKER(46X)	LT&T	19	19	4,566	357	17,505	0	1	22,429
LINCOLN 84TH & OLD CHENEY(48X)	LT&T	19	19	SEE 48TH & SOUTH					0
LINCOLN AIR PARK(470)	LT&T	19	19	135	24	1,274	0	0	1,433
LINCOLN COD & ARL(435/476/477)	LT&T	19	19	SEE M STREET					0
LINCOLN FLETCHER(435/476/477)	LT&T	19	19	SEE M STREET					0
LINCOLN M STREET(435/476/477)	LT&T	19	19	11,850	893	20,816	2,643	4,473	40,675
LINCOLN M STREET(471/472)	LT&T	19	19	14,946	0	0	0	40	14,986
LINCOLN M STREET(474/475)	LT&T	19	19	4,444	12	7,549	0	13	12,018
LINDSAY	GTE	2	2	84	7	285	0	1	377
LINWOOD-MORSE BLUFFS	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	26	5	281	0	2	314
LITCHFIELD	US WEST	0	0	24	2	236	0	5	267
LODGEPOLE	DALTON	0	0	55	9	280	0	0	344
LONG PINE	US WEST	1	1	31	3	265	0	5	304
LOOMIS	US WEST	2	2	44	3	298	0	4	349
LOUISVILLE	LT&T	0	0	99	22	902	0	10	1,033
LOUP CITY	US WEST	1	1	158	11	767	0	12	948
LYMAN	UNITED	6	6	57	0	319	0	0	376
LYNCH	THREE RIVER	0	0	44	2	265	0	0	311
LYONS	US WEST	3	3	122	4	696	0	14	836
MACY	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	65	1	80	0	0	146

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MADISON	GTE	0	0	228	16	1,070	0	14	1,328
MADRID	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	51	2	180	0	0	233
MALCOLM	LT&T	19	19	13	7	436	0	1	457
MARQUETTE	HAMILTON	5	5	40	1	272	0	0	313
MARTELL	LT&T	19	19	23	5	295	0	0	323
MARTINSBURG	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	4	1	81	0	0	86
MASON CITY	US WEST	1	1	15	1	169	0	5	190
MAXWELL	HOME	0	0	38	6	275	0	1	320
MAYWOOD	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	2	2	47	2	254	0	0	303
McCOOK	US WEST	1	1	1,215	55	3,845	0	87	5,202
McCOOL JUNCTION	LT&T	1	0	48	3	322	0	4	377
MEAD	LT&T	1	1	58	7	290	0	3	358
MEADOW GROVE	EASTERN NEBRASKA	2	2	25	2	295	0	0	322
MERNA	CONSOLIDATED	1	1	33	3	299	0	0	335
MERRIMAN	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	31	2	124	0	5	162
MILFORD	LT&T	1	0	158	27	1,096	0	30	1,311
MILLER	GTE	2	2	13	2	120	0	0	135
MILLIGAN	LT&T	0	0	35	1	262	0	2	300
MINATARE	UNITED	6	6	111	7	1,003	0	0	1,121
MINDEN	US WEST	3	3	346	14	1,519	0	19	1,898
MIRAGE FLATS	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	17	0	137	0	0	154
MITCHELL	UNITED	6	6	214	2	1,213	0	0	1,429
MONROE	GTE	3	3	43	1	218	0	0	262
MORRILL	UNITED	6	6	210	7	886	0	1	1,104
MULLEN	CONSOLIDATED	0	0	91	5	421	0	0	517
MURDOCK	LT&T	1	1	22	2	253	0	6	283
MURRAY	LT&T	1	0	49	8	737	0	10	804
NAPER	THREE RIVER	0	0	21	1	202	0	0	224
NAPOWEE	GTE	2	2	11	1	109	0	0	121
NEBRASKA CITY	LT&T	0	5	750	66	3,111	13	52	3,992
NEHAWKA	LT&T	0	0	26	5	198	0	3	232
NELIGH	GTE	2	2	357	8	925	0	6	1,296
NELSON	LT&T	0	1	80	8	501	0	2	591
NEMAHA	LT&T	1	0	6	1	131	0	3	141
NEWCASTLE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	42	1	286	0	4	333
NEWMAN GROVE	GTE	2	2	105	3	551	0	1	660
NEWPORT	ROCK COUNTY	1	1	15	1	192	0	0	208
NIORARA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	85	6	309	0	9	409
NORFOLK	US WEST	1	1	3,199	188	10,269	0	492	14,148
NORMAN	GLENWOOD	9	9	13	0	98	0	0	111
NORTH BEND	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	212	9	733	0	6	960
NORTH BURWELL	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	3	3	11	0	108	0	4	123
NORTH LOUP	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	70	1	274	19	6	370
NORTH PLATTE	US WEST	0	0	3,282	171	10,595	0	156	14,204
OAKDALE	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	28	1	176	0	0	205

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		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
OAKLAND	US WEST	3	3	142	8	823	0	13	986
OBERT	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	8	0	108	0	1	117
OCONTO	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	37	2	245	0	1	285
OCTAVIA	LT&T	1	0	4	0	120	0	2	126
ODELL	DILLER	2	2	30	5	341	0	0	376
OGALLALA	US WEST	1		890	100	2,512	0	40	3,542
OHIOWA	LT&T	1	0	16	1	159	0	5	181
OMAHA-135TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	9,679	215	17,297	0	925	28,116
OMAHA-156TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	2,687	144	11,573	0	765	15,169
OMAHA-78TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	1,594	143	11,638	0	900	14,275
OMAHA-84TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	9,188	281	19,749	0	919	30,137
OMAHA-90TH STREET	US WEST	6	6	17,023	440	19,160	0	1,186	37,809
OMAHA-BELLEVUE	US WEST	6	6	3,618	233	15,578	0	102	19,531
OMAHA-DOUGLAS	US WEST	6	6	30,437	852	17,350	2	5,376	54,017
OMAHA-FORT STREET	US WEST	6	6	4,448	102	15,482	0	1,152	21,184
OMAHA-FOWLER ST.	US WEST	6	6	2,081	197	20,650	0	810	23,738
OMAHA-IZARD STREET	US WEST	6	6	7,111	360	28,721	0	899	37,091
OMAHA-O STREET	US WEST	6	6	3,750	261	19,318	0	804	24,133
ONG	LT&T	1	0	6	1	71	0	2	80
ORCHARD	GTE	2	2	84	1	377	0	5	467
ORD	GTE	2	2	435	10	1,491	0	7	1,943
ORLEANS	GTE	3	3	54	1	315	0	0	370
OSCEOLA	LT&T	0	1	142	4	588	0	5	739
OSHKOSH	UNITED		1	194	6	732	0	0	932
OSMOND	EASTERN NEBRASKA	0	0	125	8	452	0	0	585
OTOE	LT&T	2	0	8	2	113	0	3	126
OVERTON	US WEST	2	2	57	10	397	0	8	472
OXFORD	US WEST	1	1	120	4	489	0	14	627
O'NEILL	US WEST	8	8	654	32	2,164	0	61	2,911
PAGE	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	33	1	188	0	2	224
PALISADE	GREAT PLAINS			68	2	298	0	9	377
PALMER	GTE		1	54	3	375	0	0	432
PALMYRA	LT&T	19	19	41	4	345	0	0	390
PANAMA	LT&T	19	19	23	1	202	0	0	226
PANNEE CITY	LT&T		4	117	8	641	0	14	780
PAXTON	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	84	6	404	0	0	494
PENDER	US WEST	0	0	192	9	858	0	15	1,074
PERU	LT&T	1	0	94	22	374	0	3	493
PETERSBURG	PETERSBURG	0	0	48	2	386	0	0	436
PHILLIPS	HAMILTON	6	6	64	2	324	0	3	393
PICKRELL	LT&T		0	26	4	249	0	2	281
PIERCE	PIERCE		1	207	16	1,132	0	39	1,394
PILGER	US WEST	0	0	43	2	312	0	8	365
PLAINVIEW	PLAINVIEW	0	0	193	15	933	11		1,153
PLATTE CENTER	GTE	2	2	53		431	0		486

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		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
PLATTSMOUTH	LT&T	0	1	459	48	3,320	2	34	3,863
PLEASANT DALE	LT&T	19	19	11	5	276	0	0	292
PLEASANTON	GTE	1	1	43	1	325	0	2	371
PLYMOUTH	LT&T	1	0	58	3	336	0	2	399
POLK	LT&T	1	0	44	2	360	0	2	408
PONCA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	123	4	517	0	7	651
POTTER	UNITED	0	0	45	3	263	0	0	311
PRAGUE	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	37	1	354	0	5	397
PRIMROSE (SEE CEDAR RAPIDS)	US WEST	2	2						0
PURDUM	CONSOLIDATED	5	5	8	1	94	0	0	103
RAGAN-HUNTLEY	GREAT PLAINS	1	1	13	1	126	0	0	140
RANDOLPH	US WEST	0	0	84	8	732	0	11	835
RAVENNA	US WEST	1	1	142	10	923	0	7	1,082
RAYMOND	LT&T	19	19	12	8	318	0	0	338
RED CLOUD-RIVERTON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	214	9	877	0	14	1,114
REPUBLICAN CITY	GTE	2	2	33	4	260	0	1	298
REYNOLDS (SEE CHESTER)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
RISING CITY	LT&T	1	0	25	2	296	0	3	326
RIVERDALE	GTE	1	1	20	1	218	0	0	239
RIVERTON (SEE RED CLOUD)	GREAT PLAINS	0	0						
ROCKVILLE	US WEST	1	1	5	1	80	0	4	90
ROSALIE	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	14	1	133	0	0	148
ROSELAND	GLENWOOD	8	8	47	2	232	0	0	281
RUSHVILLE	US WEST	1	1	157	10	656	0	13	836
RUSKIN	LT&T	1	0	21	4	130	0	1	156
SARGENT	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	97	6	498	0	2	603
SCHUYLER	US WEST	0	0	385	35	2,138	0	15	2,573
SCOTIA	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	2	2	55	1	267	0	0	323
SCOTTSBLUFF	UNITED	6	6	2,923	82	7,090	0	87	10,182
SCRIBNER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	164	6	593	0	7	770
SENECA	CONSOLIDATED	2	2	6	1	67	0	0	74
SEWARD	LT&T	1	6	699	76	2,672	14	26	3,487
SHELBY	LT&T	1	0	72	6	460	0	2	540
SHELTON	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	1	1	112	7	600	0	7	726
SHICKLEY	LT&T	1	1	56	2	293	0	2	353
SIDNEY	US WEST	0	0	1,038	60	2,887	0	187	4,172
SILVER CREEK	US WEST	0	0	44	6	326	0	7	383
SNYDER	GREAT PLAINS	3	3	54	3	244	0	1	302
SODTOWN	SODTOWN	1	1	3	0	79	0	0	82
SOUTH SIOUX CITY-DAKOTA CITY	US WEST	2	2	1,450	98	4,959	0	39	6,546
SPALDING	US WEST	2	2	76	3	424	0	6	509
SPENCER-BRISTOW	US WEST	3	3	71	6	477	0	11	565
SPRINGFIELD	US WEST	6	6	100	9	998	0	10	1,117
SPRINGVIEW	THREE RIVER	0	0	69	2	356	0	0	427
STAMFORD	GTE	2	2	19	1	174	0	0	194

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		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
STANTON	STANTON	0	0	189	5	860	0	4	1,058
STAPLEHURST	CLARKS	2	1	23	1	247	0	0	271
STAPLETON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	69	1	342	0	6	418
STEELE CITY	LT&T	1	0	4	1	89	0	5	99
STEINAUER	LT&T	1	0	11	1	109	0	3	124
STERLING	LT&T	1	0	37	2	410	0	3	452
STOCKHAM	HAMILTON	8	8	11	0	57	0	0	68
STRATTON	US WEST	1	1	54	3	302	0	4	363
STROMSBURG	LT&T	0	1	126	9	724	0	6	865
STUART	US WEST	2	2	59	5	429	0	12	505
ST. EDWARD	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	92	1	531	0	8	632
ST. LIBORY	US WEST	2	2	13	1	325	0	10	349
ST. PAUL	US WEST	6	6	218	10	1,104	0	17	1,349
SUMNER	GTE	1	1	27	4	170	0	0	201
SUPERIOR	LT&T	1	1	330	22	1,259	0	13	1,624
SURPRISE	LT&T	2	0	4	1	86	0	2	93
SUTHERLAND	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	133	12	584	0	9	738
SUTTON	LT&T	1	0	181	7	880	0	10	1,078
SWANTON	LT&T	1	1	12	2	93	0	4	111
SYRACUSE	LT&T	2	2	222	19	953	0	2	1,196
TABLE ROCK	LT&T	1	0	29	1	225	0	6	261
TALMAGE	LT&T	1	0	16	2	208	0	4	230
TAMORA	LT&T	1	0	16	3	173	0	5	197
TAYLOR	NEBRASKA CENTRAL	3	3	50	2	235	0	7	294
TECUMSEH	LT&T	0	4	218	23	1,105	8	32	1,386
TEKAMAH	US WEST	3	3	214	12	1,027	0	14	1,267
THEDFORD	CONSOLIDATED	4	4	75	10	208	10	0	303
TILDEN	GTE	1	1	119	3	587	0	0	709
TOBIAS	LT&T	0	0	16	1	132	0	2	151
TRENTON	US WEST	1	1	79	5	405	0	5	494
TRI-CITY	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA	1	1	41	6	534	0	0	581
TRUMBULL	HAMILTON	4	4	31	0	143	0	0	174
TRYON	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	28	1	204	0	0	233
UEHLING	HOOPER	1	1	51	1	207	0	1	260
ULYSSES	CLARKS	1	1	28	1	208	0	0	237
UNADILLA	LT&T	1	1	26	3	235	0	4	268
UNION	LT&T	1	0	26	4	386	0	3	419
UPLAND	GLENWOOD	9	9	18	1	108	0	0	127
UTICA	LT&T	2	1	68	8	441	0	4	521
VALENTINE	US WEST	1	1	510	26	1,651	0	40	2,227
VALLEY	US WEST	6	6	309	23	1,574	0	18	1,924
VALPARAISO	LT&T	19	19	41	4	447	0	0	492
VENANGO	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	39	2	116	0	16	173
VERDEL	THREE RIVER	0	0	5	1	92	0	0	98
VERDIGRE	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	74	2	448	0	5	529

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		TO	FROM	BUS.	COIN	RES.	MOBILE	OTHER	
VIRGINIA	DILLER	0	0	10	1	74	0	0	85
WACO	LT&T	1	1	33	13	269	0	1	316
WAHOO	LT&T	0	6	440	30	1,784	4	21	2,279
WAKEFIELD	US WEST	0	0	110	6	728	0	7	851
WALLACE	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	0	0	64	3	239	0	0	306
WALNUT	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	6	0	72	0	0	78
WALTHILL	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	86	3	365	0	0	454
WATERBURY (SEE ALLEN)	US WEST	1	1						0
WATERLOO (SEE ELKHORN)	US WEST	6	6						0
WAUNETA	WAUNETA	0	0	113	4	518	4	0	639
WAUSA	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	105	2	542	0	6	655
WAVERLY	LT&T	19	19	171	16	974	0	0	1,161
WAYNE	US WEST	0	0	962	91	2,419	0	25	3,497
WEeping WATER	LT&T	1	1	141	13	626	0	4	784
WELLFLEET	CONSOLIDATED TELCO	1	1	23	2	136	0	0	161
WEST POINT	US WEST	0	0	481	26	1,931	0	22	2,460
WESTERN	LT&T	1	1	18	3	212	0	7	240
WESTON	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA	2	2	38	3	406	0	5	452
WHITMAN	CONSOLIDATED	3	3	7		72	0	0	80
WHITNEY (SEE CRAWFORD)	US WEST	3	3						0
WILBER	LT&T	0	0	147	15	899	0	4	1,065
WILCOX	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	41	1	230	0	6	278
WILSONVILLE	GTE	0	0	28	1	128	0	0	157
WINNEBAGO	EASTERN NEBRASKA	3	3	117	2	226	0	0	345
WINNETOON	GREAT PLAINS	2	2	15	0	128	0	1	144
WINSIDE	US WEST	0	0	28	1	328	0	8	365
WISNER	GREAT PLAINS	1		243	12	864	0	15	1,134
WOLBACH	GREAT PLAINS	1		37	3	222	0	2	264
WOOD LAKE	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	10	1	93	0	1	105
WOOD RIVER	US WEST	2	2	98	11	693	0	16	818
WYMORE	LT&T	2	2	121	17	1,007	0	3	1,148
WYNOT	GREAT PLAINS	0	0	70	4	582	0	12	668
YORK	LT&T	0	5	1,114	110	3,664	75	41	5,004
YUTAN	LT&T		0	47	9	604	0	2	662

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TOTAL 214,780 9,583 615,865 3,176 24,658 868,062

42 - COMPANIES

460 - EXCHANGES

474 - CENTRAL OFFICES

Source: 1990 Form M Annual Report to Nebraska Public Service Commission
1991 Telephone Surveys

LINK-UP NEBRASKA TELEPHONE PROGRAM

Communication by telephone in Nebraska is a basic necessity and of value to everyone. Nebraska is a part of a program called "Link-Up America" which helps pay for connection charges for low-income people. Link-Up is a federally administered program which is funded through revenues generated by long distance companies. Unlike the lifeline program, Link-Up does not require states to make a matching contribution to the fund. Nebraska became certified to provide "Link-Up Nebraska" in 1988. This year the Commission is recommending expanding into the Lifeline portion of the Federal Communication Commission program.

Access to a phone in one's home is still a serious problem for some households in Nebraska. Although Nebraska has a tremendous universal service record, we still have families who lack telephone service for one reason or another. If the reason is the installation costs and deposits, Link-Up is intended to help. Link-Up pays one half the installation fee, up to \$30.00. It will pay up to \$200 in interest on deferred payments, if applicable, and encourages each telephone company to work individually with the customer to waive or reduce the deposit necessary to establish service.

Yearly, this Commission reports to the Federal Communication Commission the total number of households served by Link-Up. In 1990, there were 697 households/customers enrolled in the program. Out of the 697, 494 households were new customers. Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph, for the third year in a row, did an outstanding job in assisting customers who needed to use Link-Up Nebraska. United Telephone, US West, Southeast Nebraska Telephone Company and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company also are to be commended for promoting Link-Up to assist their subscribers.

The service connection charges to establish telephone service for a new customer as of August 1, 1991, are as follows:

	U.S. West		LT&T		Great Plains	
	Res.	Bus.	Res.	Bus.	Res.	Bus.
Service Order	\$31.50	\$40.00	\$15.00	\$24.00	\$6.50	\$6.50
Central Office	10.50	26.00	14.00	17.00	8.50	8.50
Travel Charge	21.50	21.50	11.00	11.00	9.00	9.00
Total	\$63.50	\$87.50	\$40.00	\$52.00	\$24.00	\$24.00

	GTE		United	
	Res.	Bus.	Res.	Bus.
Service Order	\$11.00	\$14.30	\$16.40	\$17.85
Central Office	11.00	11.00	5.65	5.65
Travel Charge	12.10	12.10	9.80	9.80
Total	\$34.10	\$37.40	\$31.85	\$33.30

NEBRASKA RELAY SYSTEM

Nebraska Relay System is a link between the speech, deaf or hearing impaired and the hearing. Nebraskans with hearing and/or speech impairments communicate with a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), a combination telephone/typewriter which enables the individual to type out his or her portion of the conversation. Other forms of TDD's which may be used include teletypewriters and compatible personal computers.

Call 24 hours a day, seven days a week

TDD USERS CALL THE RELAY BY TDD AT: 1+800-833-7352

Have the following information ready for the Nebraska Relay System operator:

- (1) The area code and telephone number you are calling from.
- (2) The area code and telephone number you would like to call.
- (3) If the call is long distance, give your name (if calling collect) and how you will pay for the call (for example, if billing to a third party number, give the area code and telephone number that you are billing it to).

A Nebraska Relay System will answer by typing: PLEASE PRESS SPACE BAR...PLEASE STANDBY...NEBRASKA RELAY OPERATOR NUMBER - MAY I HAVE YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER BEGINNING WITH THE AREA CODE FIRST.

HEARING USERS CALL THE RELAY AT: 1+800-833-0920

Inform the Relay System operator of your area code and telephone number, the area code and number you want to call and the type of call you are making - local, long distance, credit card, collect, person to person, etc.

BILLING OF CALLS:

The Nebraska Relay System will handle local and long distance calls both within and outside the state of Nebraska. Long distance calls must be billed to a Nebraska telephone number or credit card.

There will be no charge for call set-up time.

There will be no charge for local calls.

PRIVACY:

All calls handled by the Nebraska Relay System will be strictly confidential. As required by law, operators cannot disclose any information from a conversation. No records of the conversation are kept.

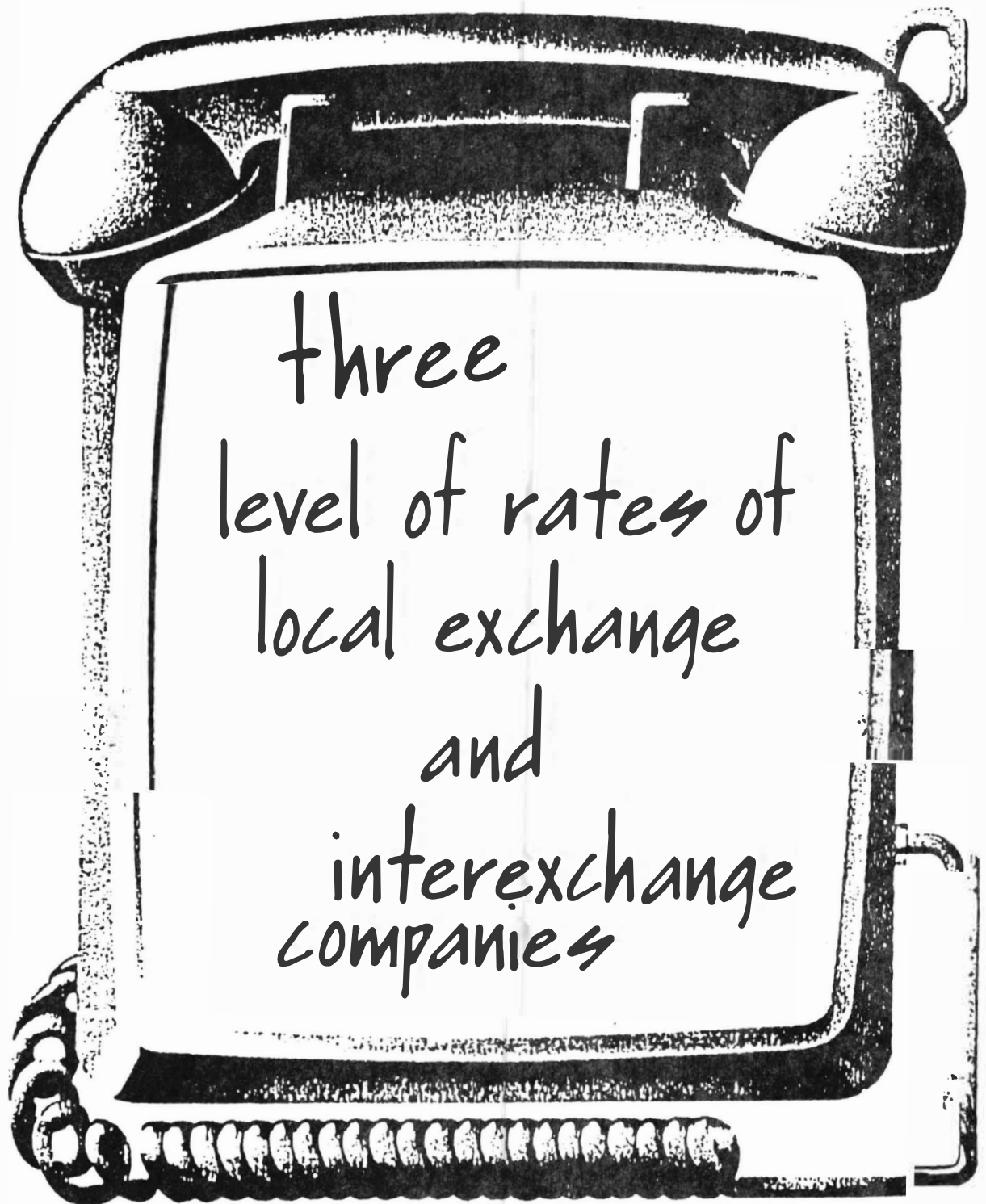
EMERGENCY:

Write down the numbers of your local emergency services. If you have an emergency, continue to summon help as you have done in the past. The Nebraska Relay System operators do not have your local emergency numbers. The Nebraska Relay System assumes no responsibility for any failure to forward emergency numbers through the TDD/TTY operator.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

For more information about the Nebraska Relay System contact:

Nebraska Relay System
TDD 1+800-833-7352
Voice 1+800-833-0920



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Section III summarizes the level of local exchange rates, long distance rates, and the financial status of local telephone companies operating in the state of Nebraska.

BASIC LOCAL RATE CHANGES

Local rate changes implemented during 1990 or pending at the end of 1990 are as follows:

May, 1990 - Cambridge Telephone Company was authorized by the Commission to increase local rates by \$134,328 annually.

May, 1990 - Great Plains Communications' application to equalize local rates was granted by the Commission with no additional revenue to be generated from the plan.

December, 1990 - Investigation into Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company's offering of Extended Area Service was pending at year end. The Commission concluded the investigation in March of 1991 with a finding that LT&T should revise its basic local rates, its rates for EAS, and its intracompany toll rates, with the result being no additional revenue generated to the Company from this plan.

The Commission staff reviewed the financial position of the companies listed above as well as Home Telephone Company, and provided testimony in the Cambridge rate filing. Table 7 lists the local rate filings that have taken place from 1981-1991. If no rate change took place during this period, the date of the most recent rate change is listed in the final column.

Table 8 shows the weighted average business and residential one-party rates for GTE, LT&T, United Telephone, U.S. West, and all other local exchange carriers. The weighted average for the companies serving fewer than 6,000 access lines is \$14.91 for business one-party and \$8.96 for residence one-party service. The national average monthly charge for residential local service with unlimited calling was \$12.40 in October of 1990. The current local exchange rates for all companies in Nebraska are listed in Table 9.

In an effort to keep basic local telephone rate increases to a minimum, the F.C.C., in 1986, adopted a national program, called the Universal Service Fund. This fund allows high cost companies to recover more of their costs from the interstate jurisdiction, leaving less cost to be recovered from state rates. Thus, the plan promotes the concept of universal telephone service.

Local exchange carriers in Nebraska participate in this program and 26 companies will draw funds under the plan for 1991 totaling \$3,400,000. For these companies, this represents anywhere from \$.15 to \$20.95 per access line, per month, which is received from the fund. During 1990, 24 companies participated in this fund receiving a total of \$2,500,000 to assist in maintaining basic local rates at their current levels.

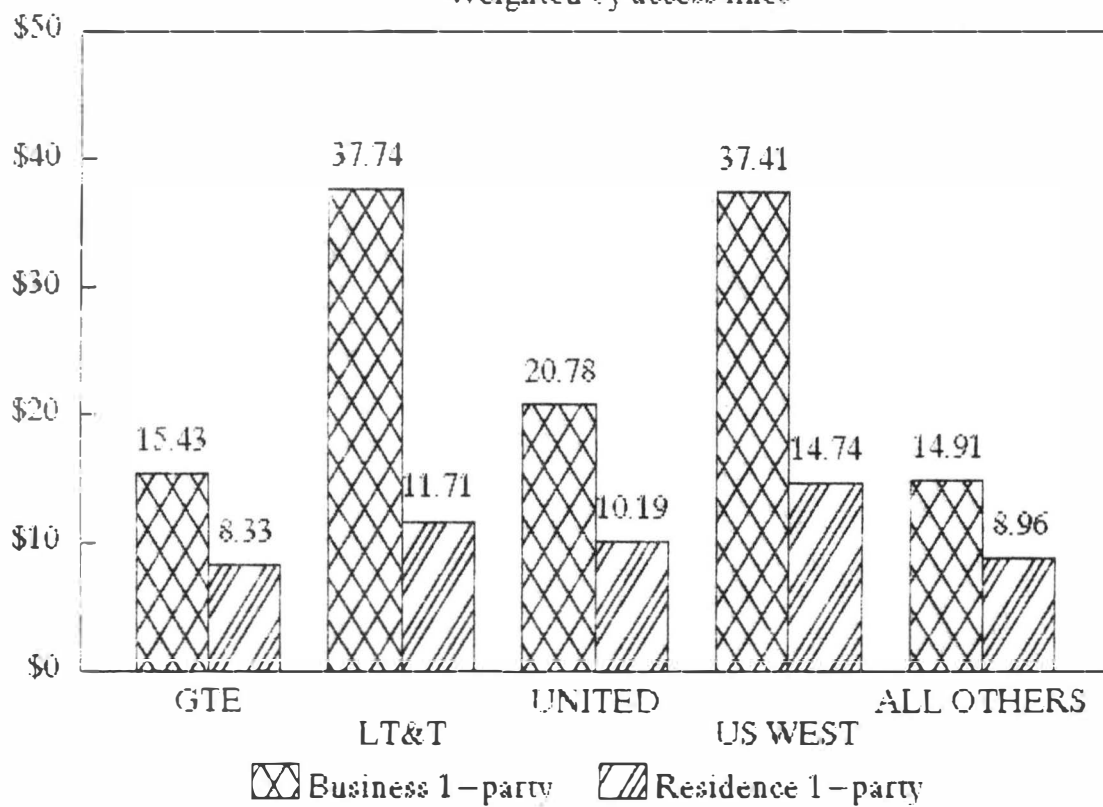
Basic Local Rate Changes
Local Exchange Companies

TABLE 7.

	1991	1990	1989	1988	1987	1986	1985	1984	1983	1982	1981	Previous Rate Change
Arapahoe												1979
Arlington												1976
Benkelman												1978
Flair												1979
Cambridge		X										
Clarks							X					
Consolidated												1974
Consolidated Telco												1971
Cozad									X			
Curtis							X					
Dalton												1973
Giller												1980
Eastern					X							
Eustis												1971
General					X	X				X		
Glenwood												1973
Great Plains		X					X					
Hamilton												1976
Hartington									X			
Hartman												1978
Home												1959
Hooper												1979
K & M								X				
Keystone-Arthur												1978
L T & T	X		X						X			1980
Nebraska Central					X							
Northeast												1974
Petersburg								X				
Pierce					X			X				
Plainview			X			X		X		X		
Rock County												1976
Rodeo									X			
Southeast Nebraska											X	
Stanton							X					1980
Three River												1978
United			X			X			X			
US West					X			XX	XX		X	1980
Wyneta												1981

Table 8

AVERAGE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE RATES
Weighted by access lines



NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Basic Local Exchange Rates (6/30/91) - (LT&T-8/16/91)

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	14.50		10.65					
	Cambridge	14.50		10.65					
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			12.00		
	Arthur	14.50		7.50			17.00		
	Ashby						17.00		
	Bingham						17.00		
	Brewster	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Brownlee						17.00		
	Dunning	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Halsey	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Hyannis	6.25		5.25			17.00		
	Merna	6.50		4.00			12.00		
	Mullen	6.50		4.00			17.00		
	Purdom	6.50		4.00			7.00		
	Seneca	6.50		4.00			17.00		
	Thedford	6.50		4.00			17.00		
	Whitman						17.00		
Cozad Tel. Co.	Cozad	8.50		5.50	5.00				
Curtis Tel. Co.	Curtis	17.50		13.50					
Dalton Tel. Co.	Bushnell	11.50		10.00					
	Dalton	7.00		5.00					
	Dix	11.50		10.00					

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Basic Local Exchange Rates (6/30/91) - (LT&T-8/16/91)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
	Gurley	7.00		5.00					
	Lodgepole	7.00		5.00					
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
GTE North Inc.	Group I	13.49		7.48			**7.56		
	Group II	16.22		8.99			**9.09		
Glenwood Tel. Memb. Corp.	Bladen	12.00		8.00					
	Blue Hill	12.00		8.00					
	Campbell	12.00		8.00					
	Funk	13.50		10.00					
	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.	All exchanges	18.55		10.75					
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					
	Haiqler	9.50		9.50					
	Lebanon	9.50		9.50					

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Basic Local Exchange Rates (6/30/91) - (LT&T-8/16/91)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
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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			
	Lemoine	14.50	13.00	11.50	10.00	11.50			
Lincoln Tel. & Tel. Co.	Group A	39.00		12.50					
	Group B	37.00		11.50					
	Group C	35.00		11.00					
	Group D	33.00		10.00					
Neb. Central Tel. Co.	Ansley	16.25		9.25					
	Arcadia	16.25		9.25					
	Comstock	16.25		9.25					
	Gibbon	16.25		9.25					
	Sargent	16.25		9.25					
	Shelton	16.25		9.25					
	Burwell	17.05		11.20					
	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					
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	14.60		10.10					

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Basic Local Exchange Rates (6/30/91) - (LT&T-8/16/91)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
	Pierce	14.60		10.10					
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	
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		13.50					
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	18.15		9.07			**11.74		
	Group 2	18.92		9.46			**12.25		
	Group 3	21.93		10.96			**14.20		
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					

Great Plains Communications:

Archer, Arnold, Bancroft, Beemer, Bloomfield, Byron, Callaway, Center, Chapman, Chester/Hubbell/Reynolds, Cotesfield, Creighton, Crofton, Deshler, Dodge, Elgin, Ewing, Grant, Hay Springs, Hayes Center, Herman, Huntley/Ragan Imperial, Indianola, Kilgore, Merriman, Mirage Flats, Niobrara, North Bend, Oakdale, Oconto, Page, Palisade, Ponca, Red Cloud/Riverton, St. Edward, Scribner, Snyder, Stapleton, Sutherland, Tryon, Venango, Verdigre, Walnut, Wausa, Wilcox, Winnetoon, Wisner, Wolbach, Wood Lake, Wynot

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

Alvo-Eagle, Bennet, Ceresco, Clatonia, Cortland, Davey, Denton, Dorchester, Douglas, Dwight, Elwood, Firth, Garland, Greenwood, Hallam, Hickman, Ithaca, Lincoln, Malcolm, Martell, Milford, Murdock, Palmyra, Panama, Pleasant Dale, Raymond, Seward, Unadilla, Valparaiso, Waverly

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS

Basic Local Exchange Rates (6/30/91) - (LT&T-8/16/91)

COMPANY	EXCHANGE	B-1	B-2	R-1	R-2	R-4	RR-1	RB-1	S-S
Group B	Ashland, Crete								
Group C	Alexandria, Avoca, Barneston, Beatrice, Beaver Crossing, Bellwood, Benedict, Bradshaw, Brainard, Brock, Brownville, Bruning, Bruno, Burchard, Carleton, Cedar Bluffs, Colon, Cook, Cordova, Crab Orchard, David City, Dawson, Daykin, Deveese, DeWitt, DuBois, Dunbar, Edgar, Elk Creek, Fairfield, Fairmont, Filley, Glenvil, Grafton, Gresham, Hansen, Hardy, Harvard, Hastings, Jansen, Johnson, Julian, Juniata, Kenesaw, Liberty, McCool, Mead, Murray, Nemaha, Octavia, Ohiova, Ong, Otoe, Pawnee City, Peru, Pickrell, Plymouth, Polk, Rising City, Ruskin, Shelby, Shickley, Steele City, Steinauer, Sterling, Superior, Surprise, Sutton, Swanton, Syracuse, Table Rock, Talmage, Tamora, Union, Utica, Waco, Weeping Water, Western, Wymore, Yutan								
Group D	Adams, Auburn, Burr, Clay Center, Davenport, Exeter, Fairbury, Friend, Geneva, Guide Rock, Hebron, Humboldt, Louisville, Milligan, Nebraska City, Nehavka, Nelson, Osceola, Plattsmouth, Stromsburg, Tecumseh, Tobias, Wahoo, Wilber, York								
US West: Group A	Allen, Alliance, Atkinson, Bennington, Big Springs, Broken Bow, Brule, Cairo, Chadron, Clarkson, Creston, Dakota City, Decatur, Elkhorn, Emerson, Fremont, Gothenburg, Grand Island, Gretna, Howells, Humphrey, Laurel, Lexington, Lyons, Norfolk, North Platte, Oakland, Oqallala, Omaha, O'Niell, Pender, Pilger, St. Libory, Schuyler, Sidney, South Sioux City, Springfield, Tekamah, Valley, Wakefield, Waterbury, Waterloo, Wayne, West Point, Winside, Wood River								
Group B	Ainsworth, Ashton, Atlanta, Axtell, Belgrade, Boelus, Bridgeport, Bristow, Butte, Cedar Rapids, Central City, Cody, Crawford, Crookston, Culbertson, Dannebrog, Elba, Elm Creek, Elwood, Farnam, Farwell, Fullerton, Gordon, Harrison, Holdrege, Homer, Litchfield, Long Pine, Loomis, Loup City, McCook, Mason City, Minden, Overton, Oxford, Primrose, Randolph, Ravenna, Rockville, Rushville, St. Paul, Silver Creek, Spalding, Spencer, Stratton, Stuart, Trenton, Valentine, Whitney								
United Telephone Company of the West:									
Group 1	Bayard, Broadwater, Chappell, Levellen, Lyman, Minatare, Mitchell, Morrill, Oshkosh, Potter								
Group 2	Kimball								
Group 3	Gering, Scottsbluff								

* Multi-party

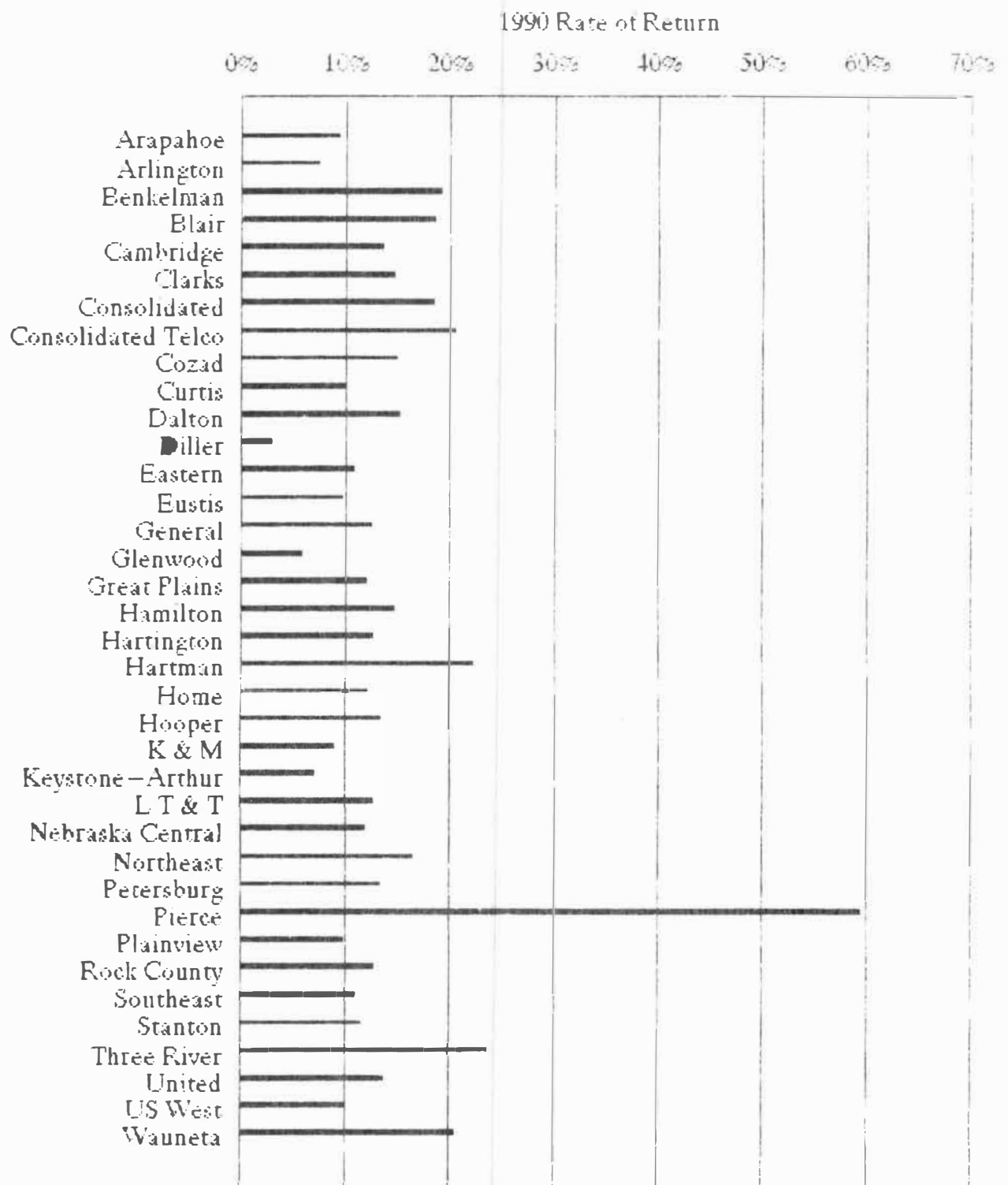
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FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Statistics on the 1990 financial status of the local exchange carriers in Nebraska are shown on the pages following. This information is compiled from the F.C.C. annual report Form M.

The combined results for the 37 reporting companies show gross plant investment of \$1.978 billion for 1990, up slightly over \$1.964 billion for 1989. Total combined operating revenues increased in 1990 over 1989 by 3.4%. Operating expenses including taxes increased by 2.3%, and net operating income increased 8.9% for the same period. Individual company rates of return for 1990 ranged from 2.88% to 59%, with 27 of the 37 companies earning a return in excess of 10%.

NEBRASKA LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS



State Average = 11.100%

All rates of return are combined.

Comparative Rates of Return

	1990 (%)	1989 (%)	1988 (%)
Arapahoe	9.31	9.56	6.63
Arlington	7.33	15.95	11.70
Benkelman	19.15	7.11	4.96
Blair	18.54	20.08	12.67
Cambridge	13.52	5.36	20.22
Clarks	14.68	6.75	11.22
Consolidated	18.43	19.66	20.44
Consolidated Telco	20.45	28.51	32.96
Cozad	14.92	28.49	8.21
Curtis	9.95	11.97	8.98
Dalton	15.11	18.33	8.65
Diller	2.88	6.41	14.44
Eastern	10.77	8.41	7.93
Eustis	9.61	7.13	11.53
General	12.46	12.22	9.35
Glenwood	5.83	6.36	4.99
Great Plains	11.97	12.39	13.96
Hamilton	14.62	13.95	21.05
Hartington	12.55	15.68	13.55
Hartman	22.21	12.61	8.03
Home	12.05	21.61	19.68
Hooper	13.39	13.28	13.95
K & M	8.88	23.21	24.78
Keystone-Arthur	7.04	9.17	14.27
L T & T	12.75	13.03	14.08
Nebraska Central	11.87	11.03	9.24
Northeast	16.51	12.03	17.73
Petersburg	13.31	22.33	15.16
Pierce	59.42	48.75	38.04
Plainview	9.76	5.83	53.68
Rock County	12.65	8.41	8.72
Southeast	11.01	11.35	9.47
Stanton	11.53	13.61	8.13
Three River	23.78	18.00	13.20
United	13.69	9.48	12.19
US West	9.98	8.72	9.28
Wanneta	20.46	15.92	11.71

All rates of return are combined.

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	ARAPAHOE TEL.CO.	ARLINGTON TEL.CO.	BENKELMAN TEL.CO.	BLAIR TEL.CO.	CAMBRIDGE TEL.CO.
PLANT IN SERVICE	3,804,634	2,194,381	4,420,004	5,101,281	3,302,979
1220 Material & Supplies	18,330	605	16,644	32,078	34,242
2003 Short Term PUC	0	9,641	23,865	76,718	9,609
TOTAL	3,823,024	2,204,627	4,525,453	5,210,077	3,346,830
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	1,712,120	707,411	2,080,795	5,650,590	412,971
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	262,723	0	263,394	38,724	43,777
RATE BASE	\$1,848,181	\$1,497,210	\$2,180,764	\$3,541,663	\$2,890,125
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	124,224	140,682	136,799	1,162,745	163,037
5080-5084 Network Access	894,186	645,928	704,332	2,360,751	854,530
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	11,879	505	373,462	16,152	945
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	85,766	33,125	69,031	480,126	77,259
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	0	49,449	0	296,515	(1,442)
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	2,169	1,954	(592)	13,905	203
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,113,826	868,735	1,284,216	4,310,384	1,034,137
6110 Network Support	26,540	8,183	3,842	53,963	0
6120 General Support	20,632	20,257	25,038	350,495	3,900
6210 CO Switching	63,727	25,149	37,043	196,337	39,551
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	2,493	0
6230 CO Transmission	2,516	5,468	18,946	51,463	247
6310 Origination/Termination	536	312	759	5,895	777
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	8,345	16,966	16,116	241,968	64,902
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	122,296	66,345	101,749	902,534	109,887
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
6530 Network Operations	8,635	37,594	30,533	207,589	9,307
6540 Access Expense	0	0	0	0	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	233,566	140,996	207,316	584,992	179,865
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	242,201	178,590	237,854	792,580	187,972
6610 Marketing	0	12,996	0	57,352	794
6620 Service	48,238	30,284	57,746	370,621	53,204
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	48,238	43,280	57,746	427,953	53,998
6710 Executive/Planning	179,448	122,107	94,596	663,342	75,985
6720 General/Administrative	230,656	98,415	169,402	512,343	115,122
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	410,104	220,523	263,998	1,175,685	192,107
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	822,839	529,758	661,397	3,298,502	543,964
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	(12,666)	0	0	0	0
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	54,193	165,000	0	144,000	91,844
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	11,510	29,800	0	74,000	17,550
7240 Operating Other Taxes	54,169	36,180	0	137,338	20,109
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	11,706	0	0	0	26,327
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	118,312	230,980	205,300	355,338	155,826
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	941,151	760,738	866,697	3,653,840	700,416
NET OPERATING INCOME	172,075	107,977	417,619	656,544	330,659
RATE BASE	1,848,181	1,497,210	2,180,764	3,541,663	2,890,125
RATE OF RETURN	9.31%	7.22%	19.15%	18.54%	11.44%

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	CLARKE TEL.CO.	CONSOLIDATED TEL.CO.	CONSOLIDATED TELCO INC.	COZAC TEL.CO.	CURTIS TEL.CO.
PLANT IN SERVICE	2,675,724	8,817,731	3,528,084	4,622,774	3,143,226
1220 Material & Supplies	14,233	2,660	12,893	9,159	19,802
2003 Short Term PUE	0	0	12,744	0	25,132
TOTAL	2,889,957	8,820,391	3,553,721	4,631,943	3,188,160
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	789,098	5,515,892	2,173,953	2,701,118	1,666,079
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	42,292	555,000	46,960	0	102,133
RATE BASE	\$2,058,567	\$2,749,509	\$1,332,868	\$1,930,825	\$1,413,948
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	139,355	359,304	177,957	214,590	135,959
5080-5084 Network Access	759,885	119,263	63,723	754,750	724,534
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	9,630	2,119,439	690,056	41,063	1,412
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	57,874	13,530	3,586	246,574	61,166
5200 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	73,975	0	0	0	0
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	2,096	3,010	4,986	(207)	1,593
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,036,723	2,608,526	920,326	1,257,190	921,378
6110 Network Support	0	61	0	2,935	24
6120 General Support	26,100	112,246	35,754	15,102	13,610
6210 CO Switching	35,040	219,370	25,878	59,656	38,823
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	0	0
6230 CO Transmission	1,706	204,767	6,248	5,630	2,423
6210 Origination/Termination	2,111	5,275	78	13,431	1,040
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	38,096	191,099	42,147	44,636	62,563
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	102,053	732,818	111,105	141,391	118,483
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
6530 Network Operations	35,914	255,113	23,862	38,794	31,575
6540 Access Expense	0	1,521	5,920	0	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	171,061	458,555	146,292	163,115	189,279
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	206,975	715,189	176,075	201,909	220,854
6610 Marketing	0	0	23	176	0
6620 Service	33,892	76,325	45,707	146,440	42,352
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	33,892	76,325	45,725	146,616	42,352
6710 Executive/Planning	78,269	124,134	33,507	84,962	97,336
6720 General/Administrative	197,982	103,222	98,803	204,207	201,226
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	276,251	227,356	132,316	289,169	298,561
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	620,171	1,751,688	465,231	779,085	630,251
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	(6,666)	(34,192)	(5,522)	(13,002)	(10,999)
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	46,586	249,624	126,412	108,620	49,089
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	13,317	52,568	26,710	26,570	8,421
7240 Operating Other Taxes	23,714	91,317	44,505	67,824	49,125
7250 Prov. for Defer. Operating Taxes-Net	17,342	(9,000)	(3,600)	0	4,844
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	114,293	350,317	182,505	190,012	100,486
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	734,464	2,102,005	647,736	969,097	730,737
NET OPERATING INCOME	302,259	506,621	272,600	288,093	190,641
RATE BASE	2,058,567	2,749,509	1,332,868	1,930,825	1,413,948
RATE OF RETURN	14.68%	18.43%	20.45%	14.92%	13.95%

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	DALTON TEL.CO.	DILLER TEL.CO.	EASTERN NEBRASKA TEL.CO.	EUSTIS TEL.EXCH.	GTE NORTH INC.
PLANT IN SERVICE	4,544,918	2,838,407	5,938,143	990,760	37,143,000
1220 Material & Supplies	15,095	8,138	8,095	1,631	951,320
2003 Short Term PUC	0	0	116,146	0	1,113,000
TOTAL	4,659,913	2,846,545	6,062,384	992,391	39,207,320
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	1,540,226	1,477,852	3,555,010	317,518	38,315,000
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	285,467	0	215,585	0	8,047,300
RATE BASE	\$2,834,220	\$1,168,693	\$2,291,789	\$664,573	\$42,915,320
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	153,880	84,523	430,806	34,974	2,605,000
5060-5084 Network Access	1,344,510	233,396	1,416,450	190,725	15,052,000
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	0	349,717	4,870	3,374	137,000
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	108,204	7,127	120,112	35,148	1,242,300
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	6,733	0	107,622	0	1,244,000
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	1,722	1,299	4,854	758	51,000
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,611,605	573,464	2,015,016	262,463	26,351,000
6110 Network Support	0	3,723	23,713	702	138,000
6120 General Support	34,991	10,581	72,178	2,448	1,554,000
6210 CO Switching	196,561	54,642	124,742	5,126	1,292,000
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	0	0
6230 CO Transmission	32,294	56	11,775	2,976	113,000
6310 Origination/Termination	9,685	499	1,238	26	326,000
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	57,010	59,335	56,117	23,812	1,677,000
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	330,541	131,836	239,764	35,090	5,410,000
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	762	21,000
6520 Network Operations	9,489	9,577	93,880	2,987	1,551,000
6540 Access Expense	0	0	0	0	4,000
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	310,240	158,942	373,148	55,539	6,099,000
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	318,729	168,519	467,028	58,349	7,665,000
6610 Marketing	732	0	28,071	602	659,000
6620 Service	44,122	42,219	98,826	31,763	1,931,000
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	44,854	42,219	126,897	32,365	2,592,000
6710 Executive/Planning	921	101,499	354,930	14,191	111,000
6720 General/Administrative	218,395	87,944	265,431	19,035	2,870,000
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	219,316	139,443	620,361	33,226	2,981,000
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	913,440	532,017	1,504,050	160,029	18,668,000
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	(21,085)	(9,171)	0	0	(121,000)
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	142,485	74,265	210,000	4,856	1,232,000
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	31,000	17,225	48,000	1,301	(268,000)
7240 Operating Other Taxes	60,998	25,312	66,115	12,510	765,000
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	56,577	0	0	20,892	724,000
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	269,975	107,731	324,115	39,559	2,344,000
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	1,183,415	639,748	1,828,165	199,588	21,012,000
NET OPERATING INCOME	428,190	33,716	246,951	63,875	5,347,000
RATE BASE	2,834,220	1,168,693	2,291,789	664,573	42,915,320
RATE OF RETURN	15.11%	2.88%	10.77%	9.61%	12.46%

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	GLENWOOD TEL. MEMB. CORP.	GREAT PLAINS INTRASTATE	HAMILTON TEL. CO.	HARTINGTON TEL. CO.	HARTMAN TEL. EXCH.
PLANT IN SERVICE	7,092,527	45,802,432	8,897,856	3,084,587	2,100,668
1229 Material & Supplies	19,484	259,558	1,163	19,396	13,692
2003 Short Term PUC	463,587	1,515,209	0	7,967	0
TOTAL	7,574,598	47,577,199	8,899,019	3,111,950	2,114,360
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	4,124,452	21,816,085	3,962,504	1,088,867	1,217,336
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	0	3,047,206	1,112,900	35,337	0
RATE BASE	\$3,450,146	\$22,713,908	\$3,823,615	\$1,987,746	\$897,024
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	278,957	3,931,848	527,844	169,390	51,952
5080-5084 Network Access	572,231	5,850,458	1,907,413	682,583	568,301
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	492,650	280,471	0	45,260	1,977
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	30,644	1,291,434	766,552	33,486	39,125
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	0	0	0	0	14,430
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	2,861	(8,064)	10,476	631	474
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,371,331	11,362,275	3,191,333	930,088	675,211
6110 Network Support	0	0	712	0	7,059
6120 General Support	32,677	0	58,736	12,495	29,326
6210 CO Switching	104,014	0	123,161	11,169	33,950
6220 Operators System	0	0	1,164	0	0
6230 CO Transmission	7,997	0	7,075	2,694	3,910
6310 Origination/Termination	209	0	14,863	566	0
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	91,180	0	126,112	47,901	62,089
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	236,077	1,816,034	331,823	74,826	136,334
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	0	0
6530 Network Operations	91,639	0	90,699	65,365	5,653
6540 Access Expense	0	0	4,160	0	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	441,457	0	465,042	139,464	157,167
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	533,096	3,878,392	559,901	204,829	162,820
6610 Marketing	2,672	0	1,118	881	0
6620 Service	95,659	0	909,336	94,307	47,273
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	98,331	924,330	910,454	95,788	47,273
6710 Executive/Planning	51,815	0	156,234	16,777	104,863
6720 General/Administrative	184,202	0	336,719	35,576	94,290
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	236,017	1,774,815	492,953	102,353	199,153
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	1,103,521	8,393,571	2,295,131	477,796	545,586
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	0	0	(37,775)	(7,281)	7,498
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	0	512,267	168,830	136,625	(43,715)
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	0	115,159	32,820	23,299	(10,693)
7240 Operating Other Taxes	67,240	477,082	111,439	39,901	(22,686)
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	0	0	61,950	10,286	0
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	67,240	1,104,508	337,264	202,840	(69,596)
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	1,170,761	9,498,079	2,632,395	680,636	475,990
NET OPERATING INCOME	201,070	1,864,196	558,938	249,452	199,221
RATE BASE	3,450,146	22,713,908	3,823,615	1,987,746	897,024
RATE OF RETURN	5.83%	8.21%	14.62%	12.55%	22.21%

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	HOME TEL. CO. OF NEB.	HOOPER TEL. CO.	K & M TEL. CO.	KEYSTONE -ARTHUR TEL. CO.	LINCOLN TEL. & TEL. CO.
PLANT IN SERVICE	1,316,379	1,312,747	1,852,111	2,712,731	409,240,000
1220 Material & Supplies	8,200	6,400	9,642	18,557	3,411,000
2003 Short Term PUC	0	272	0	61	4,943,000
TOTAL	1,324,579	1,319,419	1,861,753	2,731,349	417,595,000
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	456,010	723,839	857,608	1,165,291	166,869,000
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	0	166,279	34,600	139,034	30,548,000
RATE BASE	\$868,569	\$1,029,302	\$969,545	\$1,426,934	\$220,138,000
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5089 Local Network Service	58,297	118,394	102,321	33,891	48,814,000
5080-5094 Network Access	310,807	407,130	282,801	715,956	44,364,000
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	11,991	0	(427)	12,982	23,694,000
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	56,163	124,812	7,409	86,482	15,269,000
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	0	0	0	15,045	14,769,000
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	1,610	(159)	75	2,551	166,000
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	435,648	650,495	392,029	911,705	146,744,000
6110 Network Support	1,714	1,655	0	2,839	103,000
6120 General Support	7,146	15,285	9,022	24,010	3,310,000
6210 CO Switching	13,762	32,196	30,279	17,133	8,789,000
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	0	63,000
6230 CO Transmission	5,806	2,006	5,811	6,264	2,138,000
6310 Origination/Termination	167	113	0	18,672	4,907,000
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	27,472	37,684	18,201	28,915	6,503,000
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	56,067	89,044	63,313	119,839	31,118,000
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	693	0	0	2,014	442,000
6530 Network Operations	5,380	33,343	5,121	33,060	6,457,000
6540 Access Expense	0	0	0	0	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	88,413	105,688	61,237	193,446	28,556,000
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	94,486	139,031	72,358	228,520	35,455,000
6610 Marketing	1,345	848	0	1,236	2,561,000
6620 Service	56,073	70,310	15,015	78,750	17,120,000
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	57,418	71,158	15,015	79,986	19,681,000
6710 Executive/Planning	27,867	32,955	43,921	105,402	2,844,000
6720 General/Administrative	39,298	81,030	43,078	202,570	12,557,000
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	67,165	113,985	91,999	307,972	15,501,000
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	275,136	413,218	242,685	736,317	101,755,000
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	0	(4,300)	(4,432)	113,006	(1,909,000)
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	36,393	62,555	23,392	29,855	10,533,000
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	6,466	14,088	20,074	6,705	2,214,000
7240 Operating Other Taxes	12,958	27,663	0	21,919	6,349,000
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	0	0	23,567	23,201	(265,000)
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	55,817	99,410	63,201	74,866	16,922,000
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	330,953	512,628	305,886	811,181	118,677,000
NET OPERATING INCOME	104,695	137,867	86,143	100,524	28,067,000
RATE BASE	868,569	1,029,302	969,545	1,426,934	\$220,138,000
RATE OF RETURN	12.05%	13.39%	8.88%	7.04%	12.75%

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	NEBRASKA CENTRAL TEL.CO.	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA TEL.CO.	PETERSBURG TEL.CO.	PIERCE TEL.CO.	PLAINVIEW TEL.CO.
PLANT IN SERVICE	15,961,545	10,100,154	1,773,271	2,595,428	2,303,251
1220 Material & Supplies	30,795	42,966	13,968	5,808	8,378
2003 Short Term PUC	221,202	20,040	18,357	10,425	0
TOTAL	16,273,542	10,163,160	1,905,636	2,611,661	2,311,629
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	7,652,212	5,122,210	610,030	1,991,893	300,443
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	1,041,832	0	0	0	0
RATE BASE	\$7,579,492	\$5,040,950	\$1,195,606	\$619,776	\$2,011,186
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	372,622	281,833	100,791	251,695	187,783
5080-5084 Network Access	3,099,456	1,615,502	543,433	522,130	402,491
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	54,784	188,370	44	43,493	23,746
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	411,957	300,661	48,387	98,427	102,833
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	0	109,295	0	0	0
5300-5362 Less Uncollectible - Net	3,063	0	(691)	(18)	952
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	4,435,756	2,495,661	693,346	915,763	715,891
6110 Network Support	16,549	585	0	4	0
6120 General Support	94,234	22,509	10,458	24,173	18,576
6210 CO Switching	155,127	73,693	31,305	32,246	63,374
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	0	0
6230 CO Transmission	21,251	5,203	8,123	780	633
6310 Origination/Termination	115,150	45,349	364	737	723
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	223,901	193,619	18,436	36,214	13,904
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	626,212	340,958	68,686	94,214	97,270
5510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	(99)	0	0	0
5510 Network Operations	157,189	77,009	14,280	15,967	3,348
5540 Access Expense	542	0	0	0	0
5560 Depreciation/Amortization	1,230,022	512,503	96,452	95,413	124,000
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	1,387,753	589,413	110,732	111,380	127,348
6610 Marketing	0	1,160	912	551	0
6620 Service	208,101	153,007	16,487	81,342	93,933
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	208,101	154,167	17,399	81,903	93,933
6710 Executive/Planning	190,165	99,414	86,279	153,541	112,697
6720 General/Administrative	465,513	222,426	124,411	95,610	61,696
6750 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	655,678	321,840	210,690	249,151	174,393
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	2,877,744	1,406,378	407,507	536,648	492,944
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	0	0	(241)	(13,015)	
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	205,924	105,000	87,066	0	
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	57,000	12,000	12,876	0	
7240 Operating Other Taxes	207,696	116,095	23,990	23,865	
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	183,000	24,122	2,959	0	
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	658,620	257,217	126,650	10,850	23,574
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	3,536,364	1,663,595	534,157	547,498	519,518
NET OPERATING INCOME	899,392	832,066	159,189	368,265	196,373
RATE BASE	7,579,498	5,040,950	1,195,606	619,778	2,011,186
RATE OF RETURN	11.87%	16.51%	13.31%	59.42%	9.76%

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	ROCK COUNTY TEL.CO.	SOUTHEAST NEBRASKA TEL.CO.	STANTON TEL.CO.	THREE RIVER TELCO	UNITED TELCO OF THE WEST INTRASTATE
PLANT IN SERVICE	3,688,644	10,411,525	2,832,515	5,122,144	27,553,515
1220 Material & Supplies	8,751	5,749	41,585	20,794	150,216
2002 Short Term PUC	101,609	0	0	0	241,422
TOTAL	3,799,004	10,417,274	2,879,100	5,142,938	27,953,233
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	1,872,285	3,250,820	1,167,376	2,733,904	14,012,210
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	276,053	751,467	109,108	0	2,100,511
RATE BASE	\$1,650,666	\$6,414,987	\$1,602,416	\$2,409,034	\$11,940,302
INCOME STATEMENT					
5000-5069 Local Network Service	166,384	715,983	185,350	150,735	5,458,350
5080-5084 Network Access	1,012,230	219,289	778,313	1,175,463	2,752,794
5100-5159 Long Distance Network Service	18,376	2,451,930	0	5,402	25,744
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	41,737	19,319	85,479	872	1,089,855
5290 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	36,237	0	0	0	0
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net	1,837	(128)	(5,428)	(4,312)	15,949
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	1,246,875	3,466,657	1,054,576	1,335,790	9,311,794
6110 Network Support	13,641	3,317	2	884	9,593
6120 General Support	35,094	171,407	15,734	26,462	689,422
6210 CO Switching	54,550	229,684	40,120	76,710	306,607
6220 Operators System	0	0	0	0	0
6230 CO Transmission	12,577	12,017	2,121	15,723	156,240
6310 Origination/Termination	74	10,089	46	271	42,419
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities	36,985	291,805	50,658	32,143	682,747
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	153,921	718,319	108,831	152,193	1,886,430
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	0	0	0	0	2,982
6530 Network Operations	54,886	54,846	165,215	49,897	764,267
6540 Access Expense	0	0	0	0	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	235,222	659,721	184,651	103,101	2,142,800
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	290,108	714,567	349,966	352,998	2,910,149
6610 Marketing	13,513	10,265	0	0	100,993
6620 Service	44,633	194,957	88,575	46,756	804,932
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	58,146	205,222	88,575	46,756	905,925
6710 Executive/Planning	154,146	385,065	45,761	36,565	61,242
6720 General/Administrative	133,785	418,017	188,792	135,552	1,215,312
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	287,931	803,082	234,553	172,117	1,376,554
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	790,106	2,441,190	731,775	724,084	7,079,059
Operating Taxes:					
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit	0	(17,317)	47,759	0	(107,721)
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	172,000	120,864	(28,307)	0	579,504
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	31,000	32,220	7,191	0	104,724
7240 Operating Other Taxes	44,948	142,295	30,633	39,926	256,912
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net	0	41,000	30,846	0	(145,074)
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	247,948	319,062	89,122	39,926	690,235
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	1,038,054	2,760,252	820,897	764,010	7,769,294
NET OPERATING INCOME	208,821	706,405	184,679	572,780	1,542,451
RATE BASE	1,650,666	6,414,987	1,602,416	2,409,034	11,940,302
RATE OF RETURN	12.65%	11.01%	11.53%	23.73%	12.92%

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	US WEST INTRASTATE	WAUNETA TEL.CO.
PLANT IN SERVICE	857,492,250	3,326,984
1220 Material & Supplies	4,577,764	0
2302 Short Term PUC	8,067,873	0
TOTAL	870,137,887	3,326,984
Less: Deprec. Reserve (3100,3400-3500)	347,582,911	1,217,291
Def. Income Taxes (4100,4340)	98,856,095	439,480
RATE BASE	\$423,698,881	\$1,670,213
INCOME STATEMENT		
5000-5069 Local Network Service	137,990,875	75,601
5080-5084 Network Access	27,683,567	567,536
5100-5169 Long Distance Network Service	47,748,777	288,703
5200-5270 Miscellaneous	62,494,327	60,070
5280 Non Reg. Operating Revenue	0	0
5300-5302 Less Uncollectible - Net		18
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	275,917,546	991,892
6110 Network Support	1,610,835	6,328
6120 General Support	45,269,738	16,365
6210 CO Switching		27,317
6220 Operators System		0
6230 CO Transmission		3,556
6310 Origination/Termination		792
6410 Cable/Wire Facilities		7,139
TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS	46,880,573	61,497
6510 Other Property, Plant and Equipment	15,893,048	0
6530 Network Operations	3,052,099	25,258
6540 Access Expense	20,472,274	0
6560 Depreciation/Amortization	75,021,143	150,691
TOTAL PLANT NONSPECIFIC OPERATIONS	114,438,564	175,949
6610 Marketing		0
6620 Service		39,562
TOTAL CUSTOMER OPERATIONS	28,081,890	39,562
6710 Executive/Planning		64,262
6720 General/Administrative	0	103,932
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes	0	0
TOTAL CORPORATE OPERATIONS	30,368,385	168,194
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	220,935,823	445,202
Operating Taxes:		
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credit		(13,811)
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	9,545,005	140,000
7330 Operating State and Local Income Taxes	823,323	25,600
7240 Operating Other Taxes		53,226
7250 Prov. for Deferr. Operating Taxes-Net		0
TOTAL OPERATING TAXES	10,368,328	205,015
TOTAL OPER. EXP. & TAXES	231,304,151	650,217
NET OPERATING INCOME	44,613,395	341,675
RATE BASE	423,698,881	1,670,213
RATE OF RETURN	10.53%	20.46%

LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE RATES

January 1, 1984, the Divestiture of the Bell System took place, and caused many changes in the provision of long distance services provided by AT&T and the Bell companies. Changes took place in Nebraska also with AT&T authorized as the only interlata carrier at that time. Intralata long distance services were provided by Northwestern Bell Telephone (US West), LT&T, and all Independent Telephone Companies. Most of the data on toll rates has emphasized the reduction in interstate rates since Divestiture. Ironically, Table 10 shows that Nebraska intrastate pricing of interlata and intralata services has increased for the period from 1984 to 1991.

During 1985, the Commission authorized U.S. Sprint and MCI to compete for long distance services in Nebraska. Under regulation, the Commission also allowed an increase in toll rates for US West which affected rates charged by LT&T and the Independent companies. In the same year, some exchanges in and around the Omaha area were being upgraded to equal access by US West allowing customers the option to choose their intralata carrier.

The Nebraska deregulation law was passed in 1986 and allowed full pricing freedom of long distance rates for AT&T, US West, LT&T, any interexchange carriers, and the Independent Telephone Companies. During 1986, Lintel Systems, Teleconnect, and TelaMarketing (TMC) were authorized to compete in the Nebraska market. Other equal access conversions included exchanges such as Columbus, Fremont, Hastings, Kearney, and Lincoln. No information is available to determine whether interexchange carriers were available in these exchanges to provide competing services other than AT&T.

The Commission implemented an intrastate access charge plan effective January 1, 1987. Under this plan, access charge rates to be charged to interexchange carriers were determined for all local exchange carriers based on their intrastate costs. Long distance rates were increased in April of 1987 by US West, affecting the rates charged US West, LT&T, and independent telephone company customers. In July of 1987, AT&T announced a toll rate increase, and in August of the same year, LT&T increased toll rates under provisions of the deregulation law.

The Commission authorized intrastate authority for 11 additional carriers during 1988, 1989, and 1990, and long distance rates remained unchanged for 1988 and 1989. US West introduced their volume discount plan in January of 1990 allowing for discounts based on the amount of intralata toll billed as follows:

<u>Monthly Toll Billed</u>	<u>Discount</u>
\$15 to \$49.99	5%
\$50 to \$99.99	10%
\$100 to \$149.99	15%
\$150 and over	20%

In June of 1990, US West reduced the off-peak discounts from 35% to 30% for the evening, and from 55% to 50% for the night and week-end rate periods. Thus, customers not able to take advantage of the volume discounts available received a 5% increase in the rates charged for these rate periods. A comparison of the intrastate rate for a 5 minute, 60 mile call from 1984 to 1991 is as follows:

<u>Day Rate</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1991</u>
US West & Inds.	\$1.44	\$1.60
LT&T	1.44	1.50
AT&T	1.55	1.73

Evening Rate

US West & Inds.	.86	1.12
LT&T	.86	.75
AT&T	.93	1.21

Night/Week-end Rate

US West & Inds.	.58	.80
LT&T	.58	.75
AT&T	.62	.87

The long distance rates for AT&T, US West, and the Independent Companies remain the same in 1991. However, in August of 1991, new toll rates were implemented in LT&T's serving area. The new plan reflects less distance sensitivity in the rates with only two mileage bands instead of the previous seven. The LT&T per minute rates are as follows:

<u>Mileage</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Evening</u>	<u>Night/Week-end</u>
26 - 55	\$.24	\$.12	\$.12
56 & over	.30	.15	.15

Table 11 compares the U.S West rates for a 5 minute call in Nebraska and various other states. These rates are based on the toll rate schedule and do not reflect any volume discount plans which may have been in effect at the time.

Table 12 shows the authorized carriers providing service in the state of Nebraska, with a sample of their pricing appearing on Table 13.

Long Distance Rate Changes
Direct Dialed 5-Minute Call
Deduction to Current

Table 10

Mileage	AT&T Day Rate			U.S. West & Independents Day Rate					Lincoln Telephone Company Day Rate				
	1/1/84	7/1/87	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	6/8/90	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	6/8/87	8/16/91
0-10	0.86	1.23	1.23	0.86	0.81	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.86	0.81	0.94	0.94	0.94
11-15	0.92	1.23	1.23	0.86	0.87	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.86	0.87	0.94	0.94	0.94
16-20	0.93	1.23	1.23	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.94	0.94	0.94	0.94
21-25	1.19	1.38	1.38	1.08	1.09	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.08	1.09	1.29	1.29	1.29
26-30	1.23	1.38	1.38	1.18	1.19	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.18	1.19	1.29	1.29	1.29
31-35	1.39	1.38	1.38	1.23	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.28	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.29
36-55	1.49	1.58	1.58	1.38	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.38	1.39	1.39	1.39	1.39
56-70	1.55	1.73	1.73	1.44	1.45	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.44	1.45	1.60	1.60	1.60
71-85	1.62	1.73	1.73	1.50	1.51	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.53	1.51	1.60	1.60	1.60
86-100	1.67	1.73	1.73	1.55	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.55	1.60	1.60	1.60	1.60
101-124	1.72	1.93	1.93	1.60	1.65	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.60	1.65	1.70	1.70	1.70
125-148	1.81	1.93	1.93	1.65	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.65	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70
149-172	1.96	2.08	2.08	1.70	1.75	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.70	1.75	1.90	1.90	1.90
173-196	1.91	2.08	2.08	1.75	1.80	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.75	1.80	1.90	1.90	1.90
197-244	1.96	2.08	2.08	1.80	1.85	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.80	1.85	1.90	1.90	1.90
245-292	2.01	2.08	2.08	1.85	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.85	1.90	1.90	1.90	1.90
293-470	2.06	2.18	2.18	1.90	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.89	1.95	1.95	1.95	1.95

Mileage	AT&T Evening Rate			U.S. West & Independents Evening Rate					Lincoln Telephone Company Evening Rate				
	1/1/84	7/1/87	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	6/8/90	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	6/8/87	8/16/91
0-10	0.52	0.86	0.86	0.48	0.53	0.61	0.66	0.66	0.48	0.53	0.61	0.66	0.66
11-15	0.55	0.86	0.86	0.52	0.57	0.61	0.66	0.66	0.52	0.57	0.61	0.66	0.66
16-20	0.59	0.86	0.86	0.56	0.61	0.61	0.66	0.66	0.56	0.61	0.61	0.66	0.66
21-25	0.71	0.97	0.97	0.65	0.71	0.84	0.90	0.90	0.65	0.71	0.84	0.90	0.90
26-30	0.77	0.97	0.97	0.71	0.77	0.84	0.90	0.90	0.71	0.77	0.84	0.90	0.90
31-35	0.83	0.97	0.97	0.77	0.84	0.84	0.90	0.90	0.77	0.84	0.84	0.90	0.90
36-55	0.89	1.11	1.11	0.83	0.90	0.90	0.97	0.97	0.83	0.90	0.90	0.97	0.97
56-70	0.93	1.21	1.21	0.86	0.94	1.04	1.12	1.12	0.86	0.94	1.04	1.12	1.12
71-85	0.97	1.21	1.21	0.90	0.96	1.04	1.12	1.12	0.90	0.98	1.04	1.12	1.12
86-100	1.00	1.21	1.21	0.93	1.04	1.14	1.12	1.12	0.93	1.04	1.14	1.12	1.12
101-124	1.03	1.35	1.35	0.96	1.07	1.21	1.19	1.19	0.96	1.07	1.11	1.19	1.19
125-148	1.09	1.35	1.35	0.99	1.11	1.11	1.19	1.19	0.99	1.11	1.11	1.19	1.19
149-172	1.12	1.46	1.46	1.02	1.14	1.24	1.33	1.33	1.02	1.14	1.24	1.33	1.33
173-196	1.15	1.46	1.46	1.05	1.17	1.24	1.33	1.33	1.05	1.17	1.24	1.33	1.33
197-244	1.16	1.46	1.46	1.09	1.20	1.24	1.33	1.33	1.08	1.20	1.24	1.33	1.33
245-292	1.21	1.46	1.46	1.11	1.24	1.24	1.33	1.33	1.11	1.24	1.24	1.33	1.33
293-470	1.24	1.53	1.53	1.14	1.27	1.27	1.37	1.37	1.14	1.27	1.27	1.37	1.37

Long Distance Rate Changes
Direct Dialed 5-Minute Call
Divestiture to Current

Mileage	AT&T Night/Week-end			U.S. West & Independents Night/Week-end					Lincoln Telephone Company Night/Week-end				
	1/1/84	7/1/87	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	6/8/90	8/16/91	1/1/84	1/7/85	4/8/87	8/23/87	8/16/91
0-10	0.34	0.61	0.62	0.32	0.36	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.32	0.36	0.42	0.47	0.30
11-15	0.37	0.62	0.62	0.34	0.39	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.34	0.39	0.42	0.47	0.30
16-20	0.40	0.62	0.62	0.37	0.42	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.37	0.42	0.42	0.47	0.30
21-25	0.46	0.69	0.69	0.42	0.49	0.58	0.65	0.65	0.43	0.49	0.58	0.65	0.30
26-30	0.52	0.69	0.69	0.47	0.54	0.58	0.65	0.65	0.47	0.54	0.58	0.65	0.60
31-35	0.56	0.69	0.69	0.51	0.58	0.58	0.65	0.65	0.51	0.58	0.58	0.65	1.60
36-55	0.6	0.79	0.79	0.55	0.63	0.63	0.70	0.70	0.55	0.63	0.63	0.70	0.50
56-7	0.62	0.67	0.67	0.58	0.65	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.58	0.65	0.72	0.80	0.75
71-85	0.65	0.87	0.87	0.60	0.68	0.72	0.80	0.80	0.60	0.68	0.72	0.80	0.75
86-100	0.67	0.87	0.87	0.62	0.72	0.72	0.80	0.80	0.62	0.72	0.72	0.80	0.75
101-124	0.69	0.97	0.97	0.64	0.74	0.77	0.85	0.85	0.64	0.74	0.77	0.85	0.75
125-148	0.72	0.97	0.97	0.66	0.77	0.77	0.85	0.85	0.66	0.77	0.77	0.85	0.75
149-172	0.74	1.04	1.04	0.68	0.79	0.86	0.95	0.95	0.68	0.79	0.86	0.95	0.75
173-196	0.76	1.04	1.04	0.70	0.81	0.86	0.95	0.95	0.70	0.81	0.86	0.95	0.75
197-224	0.78	1.04	1.04	0.72	0.83	0.86	0.95	0.95	0.72	0.83	0.86	0.95	0.75
225-252	0.80	1.04	1.04	0.74	0.86	0.86	0.95	0.95	0.74	0.86	0.86	0.95	0.75
253-470	0.82	1.09	1.09	0.76	0.88	0.88	0.98	0.98	0.76	0.88	0.88	0.98	0.75

Table 11

DAY RATE (5 minute call)

Mileage Band	US West Nebraska	US West Minnesota	US West S.Dakota	US West Kansas	US West Iowa	US West N.Dakota
0 - 10	0.94	0.34	0.81	0.54	0.65	0.64
11 - 15	0.94	0.45	0.90	0.75	0.76	0.93
16 - 20	0.94	0.56	1.02	0.97	0.86	0.93
21 - 25	1.29	0.71	1.18	1.12	0.94	1.25
26 - 30	1.29	0.87	1.18	1.26	1.04	1.25
31 - 35	1.29	0.98	1.32	1.36	1.19	1.25
36 - 40	1.39	1.19	1.32	1.36	1.19	1.61
41 - 55	1.39	1.50	1.39	1.45	1.32	1.61
56 - 70	1.60	1.62	1.44	1.50	1.46	1.76
71 - 85	1.60	1.77	1.44	1.55	1.61	1.76
86 - 100	1.60	1.92	1.49	1.60	1.61	1.91
101 - 124	1.70	2.05	1.49	1.74	1.61	1.91
125 - 148	1.70	2.11	1.59	1.74	1.67	1.96
149 - 196	1.90	2.21	1.59	1.79	1.67	1.96
197 - 244	1.90	2.32	1.59	1.79	1.67	2.01
245 - 292	1.90	2.43	1.64	1.79	1.67	2.06
293 - 354	1.95	2.58	1.64	1.79	1.67	2.06
355 - 430	1.95	2.72	1.64	1.79	1.67	2.06
431 - 475	1.95	2.83	1.64	1.79	1.67	2.06

EVENING RATE (5 minute call)

Mileage Band	US West Nebraska	US West Minnesota	US West S.Dakota	US West Kansas	US West Iowa	US West N.Dakota
0 - 10	0.66	0.22	0.61	0.35	0.46	0.42
11 - 15	0.66	0.29	0.68	0.49	0.53	0.60
16 - 20	0.66	0.36	0.77	0.63	0.60	0.60
21 - 25	0.90	0.46	0.89	0.73	0.66	0.81
26 - 30	0.90	0.57	0.89	0.82	0.73	0.81
31 - 35	0.90	0.64	0.99	0.88	0.83	0.81
36 - 40	0.97	0.77	0.99	0.88	0.83	1.05
41 - 55	0.97	0.98	1.04	0.94	0.92	1.05
56 - 70	1.12	1.05	1.08	0.98	1.02	1.14
71 - 85	1.12	1.15	1.08	1.01	1.13	1.14
86 - 100	1.12	1.25	1.12	1.04	1.13	1.24
101 - 124	1.19	1.33	1.12	1.13	1.13	1.24
125 - 148	1.19	1.37	1.19	1.13	1.17	1.27
149 - 196	1.33	1.44	1.19	1.16	1.17	1.27
197 - 244	1.33	1.51	1.19	1.16	1.17	1.31
245 - 292	1.33	1.58	1.23	1.16	1.17	1.34
293 - 354	1.37	1.68	1.23	1.16	1.17	1.34
355 - 430	1.37	1.77	1.23	1.16	1.17	1.34
431 - 475	1.37	1.84	1.23	1.16	1.17	1.34

NIGHT RATE (5 minute call)

Mileage Band	US West Nebraska	US West Minnesota	US West S.Dakota	US West Kansas	US West Iowa	US West N.Dakota
0 - 10	0.47	0.14	0.49	0.24	0.33	0.26
11 - 15	0.47	0.18	0.54	0.34	0.38	0.37
16 - 20	0.47	0.22	0.61	0.44	0.43	0.37
21 - 25	0.65	0.28	0.71	0.50	0.47	0.50
26 - 30	0.65	0.35	0.71	0.57	0.52	0.50
31 - 35	0.65	0.39	0.79	0.61	0.60	0.50
36 - 40	0.70	0.48	0.79	0.61	0.60	0.64
41 - 55	0.70	0.60	0.83	0.65	0.66	0.64
56 - 70	0.80	0.65	0.86	0.68	0.73	0.70
71 - 85	0.80	0.71	0.86	0.70	0.81	0.70
86 - 100	0.80	0.77	0.89	0.72	0.81	0.76
101 - 124	0.85	0.82	0.89	0.78	0.81	0.76
125 - 148	0.85	0.84	0.95	0.78	0.84	0.78
149 - 196	0.95	0.88	0.95	0.81	0.84	0.78
197 - 244	0.95	0.93	0.95	0.81	0.84	0.80
245 - 292	0.95	0.97	0.98	0.81	0.84	0.82
293 - 354	0.98	1.03	0.98	0.81	0.84	0.82
355 - 430	0.98	1.09	0.98	0.81	0.84	0.82
431 - 475	0.98	1.13	0.98	0.81	0.84	0.82

Table 12

AUTHORIZED INTEREXCHANGE CARRIERS

<u>Company</u>	<u>InterLATA</u>	<u>Date Granted</u>	<u>IntraLATA</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/R	
Teleconnect	X	11/86	X	3/87
TelaMarketing (TMC)	X	12/86	X	6/87
Dial-Net	X	2/87	N/R	
Western Union	X	10/87	N/R	
Int'l Telecharge (ITI)	X	8/88	N/R	
United Telephone LD	X	4/88	N/R	
MidAmerican	X	10/88	N/R	
Metromedia, Inc.	X	7/89	X	7/89
Telenational Communications	X	7/89	X	7/89
Allnet Communication Svs.	X	8/89	X	8/89
ITT	X	8/89	N/R	
Vicom	X	12/89	N/R	
Network Services	X	3/90	X	3/90
Payline Systems	X	5/90	X	5/90
Coast International	X	12/90	N/R	
Comtel	X	1/91	N/R	
Kantel Communications	X	1/91	X	1/91
Convergent	X	1/91	X	1/91
Matrix	X	2/91	X	2/91
Cable & Wireless Comm.	X	3/91	N/R	
Eastern Ambulance*	X	3/91	N/R	
Amer-I-Net Services	X	4/91	X	4/91
Phoenix Network	X	4/91	N/R	
American Public Comm.	X	4/91	D	
One Call Comm. (Opticom)	X	6/91	X	6/91
Excel Tele.	(Pending)			
Fiberline Network	(Pending)			
Tel-Save, Inc.	(Pending)			

* Eastern Ambulance charges a flat rate of \$250/month. Provides service from Lincoln-Omaha; Omaha-Lincoln; Lincoln-Grand Island; Grand Island-Lincoln

N/R - Not Requested

D - Denied

Table 13

TOLL COMPARISON (as of 6-30-91)

-----Mileage of calls-----					
	55 miles	80 miles	105 miles	180 miles	325 miles

Rate period: DAY					
Length of call: 5 MINUTES					

Allnet	0.90	0.95	0.95	1.22	1.27
AT&T, Metro, ITI, UTLD 1	1.56	1.73	1.93	2.08	2.18
Dial-Net	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25	1.25
Lintel (LTLD)	1.27	1.39	1.55	1.67	1.75
MCI	1.55	1.70	1.90	2.05	2.15
MidAmerican 2	1.01	1.09	1.09	1.17	1.21
TelaMarketing (TMC)	1.03	1.16	1.28	1.43	1.56
Teleconnect	1.49	1.63	1.81	1.96	2.03
Telenational	1.10	1.25	1.25	1.40	1.50
US Sprint	1.57	1.72	1.92	2.07	2.17
Vicom	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.05
Payline	1.58	1.73	1.93	2.08	2.18
Comtel	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19	1.19
Network Services	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.26	1.26

Rate period: EVENING					
Length of call: 5 MINUTES					

Allnet	0.64	0.71	0.71	0.77	0.81
AT&T, Metro, ITI, UTLD 1	1.11	1.22	1.36	1.46	1.53
Dial-Net	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90	0.90
Lintel (LTLD)	0.92	1.00	1.12	1.21	1.27
MCI	1.09	1.20	1.31	1.44	1.50
MidAmerican 2	0.66	0.71	0.71	0.76	0.79
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.67	0.75	0.83	0.93	1.01
Teleconnect	1.04	1.14	1.27	1.37	1.44
Telenational	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85	0.85
US Sprint	1.10	1.20	1.34	1.45	1.52
Vicom	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.87
Payline	1.58	1.73	1.93	2.08	2.18
Comtel	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	1.03
Network Services	0.84	0.84	0.34	0.84	0.84

Rate period: NIGHT/WEEKEND					
Length of call: 5 MINUTES					

Allnet	0.50	0.56	0.56	0.61	0.63
AT&T, Metro, ITI, UTLD 1	0.79	0.87	0.97	1.04	1.09
Dial-Net	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70
Lintel (LTLD)	0.61	0.67	0.75	0.81	0.85
MCI	0.78	0.83	0.93	1.03	1.08
MidAmerican 2	0.51	0.55	0.55	0.59	0.61
TelaMarketing (TMC)	0.57	0.64	0.71	0.79	0.86
Teleconnect	0.75	0.81	0.91	0.98	1.03
Telenational	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.70
US Sprint	0.78	0.86	0.96	1.03	1.08
Vicom	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.69	0.69
Payline	1.58	1.73	1.93	2.08	2.18
Comtel	0.95	0.95	0.95	0.95	1.03
Network Services	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50

TOLL COMPARISON as of 6-30-91

- 1. AT&T - American Telephone & Telegraph; Metro - Metromedia;
ITI - International Telecharge Inc.; UTID - United Telephone Long Distance.
- 2. On September 19, 1989, MidAmerican Long Distance Company was granted permission to discontinue residential service. These rates apply only to business customers.

Telephone companies used in comparison represent those operating in Nebraska for the year 1990 in its entirety.

REDUCTIONS IN TELEPHONE RATES
ORDERED BY STATE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSIONS

In the years 1987, 1988 and 1989, net reductions in telephone rates ordered by public utility commissions in other states totaled \$2,724 billion. The year 1990 saw a net revenue reduction of \$451 million, making the four year total \$3,175 billion. As a result of a \$250 million rate increase in New York, the fourth quarter of 1990 was the first time since the fourth quarter of 1986 that rate increases exceeded rate decreases. Rate case activity in the first quarter of 1991 resulted in a net reduction of \$1.7 million.

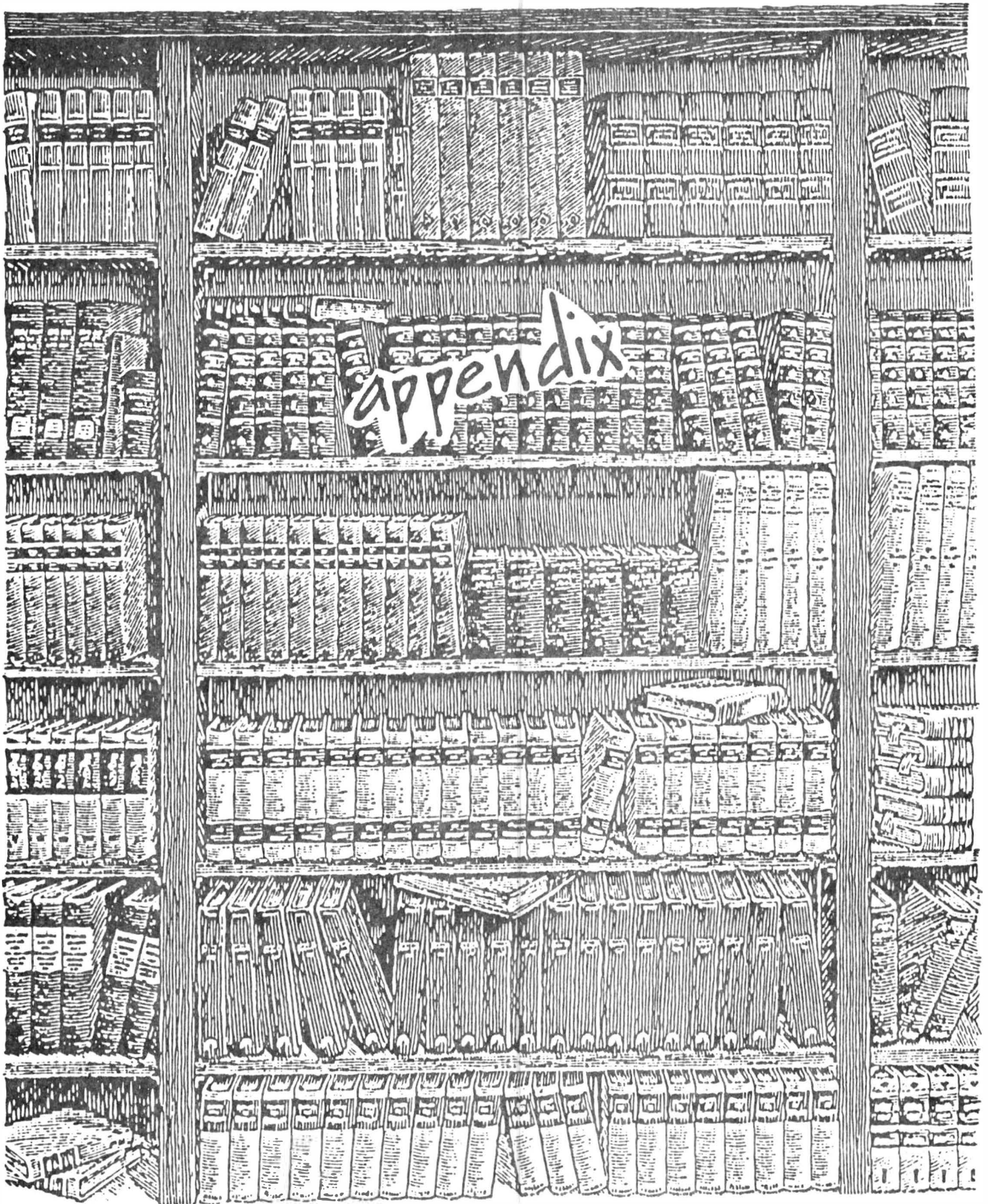
Commissions which have ordered reductions are those in:

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



LEGISLATIVE RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Our first and foremost recommendation is to abandon certain aspects of LB 835 and move forward to an incentive type of regulation. The Commission favors some of the approaches taken in LB 835 such as the flexibility of introducing new products and services with ten days notice. This Commission and the Nebraska Legislature have considerable opportunity to sustain and improve the existing laws by initiative and incentive regulation. Examples of such alternative regulatory legislation will be prepared for legislative review and may include price caps and price freezes.
2. Pass LB 590, which provides for a civil fine for disregarding Commission orders, rules and regulations, and for offering telecommunications services or operating an automatic dialing-announcing device without proper authority.
3. Create a Telephone Assistance Program (Lifeline Fund) to support discounted lifeline phone rates. This fund will draw from the state's general tax revenues and will be matched by the federal government fund. Provide program eligibility guidelines for low income customers.
4. Require that 900 information providers reveal the cost of the call prior to the callers incurring a charge. The Commission has special concerns about the 900 offerings aimed at children.
5. Modify §86-901, Neb. Rev. Stat. regarding the dual party relay system. Clarify that for purposes of this act, telephone company shall mean all companies that can provide access to the switched network.



SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Nebraska Public Service Commission,)	Application No. C-801
)	
Relator,)	
vs.)	GRANTED
)	
Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph,)	
a Common Carrier,)	
Respondent.)	Entered: March 5, 1991

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- b. The cost of this new, necessary service be reasonably priced at a flat rate;
- c. The service be offered on an optional basis;
- d. All existing EAS remain available;
- e. All existing one-way EAS be converted to two-way EAS or in the alternative provide new two-way EAS to replace existing one-way EAS;
- f. That with the approval of the applicants, all pending LT&T extended area service applications be held in abeyance until such time as the Commission evaluates the aforementioned plan;
- g. That this plan be submitted for Commission consideration within ninety (90) days from the date of the original order, March 6, 1990.

The Commission goal was that the plan should be revenue neutral, meaning no gain or loss of revenue resulted for LT&T. The Commission further intended to maintain the current quality of service in all respects and to improve the service where possible.

2. The Commission's Authority

Under LB 835, codified as §86-801 Neb. Rev. Stat., (1943), the nature and extent of the Commission's authority to regulate the activities of telecommunications common carriers in Nebraska was substantially altered except in certain circumstances. The Legislature defined extended service area as: "a grouping of two or more exchanges which allows subscribers of one exchange in the group to place and receive two-way switched communications to and from subscribers in one or more other exchanges in the group without an interexchange toll charge." (§86-802(5)).

In an Attorney General's Opinion issued January 29, 1988, and marked as Exhibit R-6, the Attorney General's responded to the Commission's inquiry as to the scope of its jurisdiction in the area of EAS. The opinion concludes that, "The Commission has no jurisdiction over rates to be charged by telecommunications companies for EAS, as such service does not fall within the specific definition of 'basic local exchange service under §86-802(2).'" However, the Attorney General went on to say, "With respect to non-rate related Commission regulation of EAS, the Legislature has not enacted specific legislation removing Commission jurisdiction over such service; rather, only Commission regulation of rates for telecommunications service offerings other than 'basic local exchange service' has been removed from the Commission's jurisdiction under §86-801 to 86-811. . . Accordingly, we believe that the Commission retains jurisdiction to regulate the offering of telecommunication services such as EAS, but does not possess authority to regulate rates charged for EAS offering."

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BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

By docket opened on March 6, 1990, the Commission ordered an investigation titled, Nebraska Public Service Commission versus The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company (LT&T), a common carrier.

Notice of this docket was published in the Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on March 21, 1990, pursuant to the rules and regulations of this Commission pertaining to notice. Petitions of formal intervention were timely filed by US West Communications Inc., Great Plains Communications, Nebraska Telephone Association, Hamilton Telephone Company, Save Our Service, and the City of Ashland. Petitions of Informal Intervention were timely filed by Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company, Southeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Nebraska Independent Telephone Association, Glenwood Telephone Membership Corporation, Arapahoe Telephone Company, Diller Telephone Company, Clarks Telephone Company, Benkelman Telephone Company, Wauneta Telephone Company and the City of Waverly. The Commission had, prior to the hearings on this matter, granted the timely petitions for formal intervention and had granted the petitions for informal intervention.

The Commission in this order reaffirms its denial of Formal Intervenor status of the Community of Waverly, Benkelman Telephone Company and Wauneta Telephone Company.

Hearings on the Docket were held on October 29, 31, November 1, 2, 5, and 26 in Lincoln, Nebraska City, York, Hastings, Fairbury and Ashland, Nebraska respectively.

1. The Commission's Goal

The Commission received multiple inquiries and several applications for extended area service (EAS) in The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company service area in the past two years. LT&T provides telecommunications service in 137 exchanges, 110 of them have some form of originating EAS. Sixty-three of the 110 have one-way, 43 exchanges have two-way, four exchanges have both one-way and two-way and 27 exchanges have no outgoing EAS. EAS has always been a difficult dilemma for both the communities and the industry. LT&T has consistently opposed applications for extended area service (T-35, line 25; T-37, lines 3-15). EAS is an issue of paramount importance to the public interest in terms of convenience, access and service to subscribers in the state. The Commission found that communities generally do not understand the pricing mechanism of EAS. The Commission opened this docket to investigate the most effective means of providing EAS to subscribers in the LT&T service area. The Commission required LT&T to file a plan which included several elements:

- a. That EAS be offered to all subscribers of LT&T;

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3. The Proposals

The proposed plans are described in general terms below and are for reference only. The exhibits fully explain each plan.

a. On May 4, 1990, LT&T filed an Enhanced Local Calling Area plan with the Commission (Exhibit R-17). The Company proposed the establishment of an Enhanced Local Calling Area which would encompass a 25 mile radius around each of their 137 exchanges and allow calling at a rate of 12¢ per minute for day calls and 6¢ per minute for evening and night calls. Customers would be able to purchase blocks of minutes. Charges for the EAS service and the service itself would be eliminated. Long distance charges outside the 25 mile radius would be reduced to 22¢ per minute for day calls and 11¢ per minute for evening and night calls. All of the elements of LT&T's plan were integral to its viability.

Upon examining the plan, the Commission entered an order directing LT&T to submit an alternative proposal on or before September 1, 1990.

b. The second LT&T proposal filed September 1, 1990 (Exhibit R-25), like the first proposal, had several elements which were integral to its viability. Summarized, these elements are:

i. A 25 mile radius around each of the LT&T exchanges. Rates for calls outside of the community are 6¢ per minute daytime and 3¢ per minute during evening/night.

ii. Four calling plan packages for residential services and for business services.

iii. Reduction of rates for calls over 25 miles.

iv. Establishment of uniform basic local telephone rates at \$11.00 for residential service and three levels for business service.

c. The Commission staff presented an alternate proposal (Exhibit P-5) also designed to be revenue neutral. The staff's plan would establish two rate groups for basic local service; rates of \$11.00 for residence and \$35.00 for business in exchanges having access to less than 100,000 access lines and \$12.50 for residence and \$39.00 for business in exchanges having access to more than 100,000 access lines. Touch call service would be included in the above basic service rates. Residential customers would receive a three hour allowance for calls within the 25 mile radius Enhanced Local Calling Area. Business customers would receive a two hour allowance. For calls over the allowance declining block rates would apply: 6¢ per minute up to 240 minutes, 5¢ for 241 to 360 minutes, 4¢ for 361 to 540 minutes, and 3¢ for 541 and over. In the staff's proposal, calls of over 25 miles would remain at current rates.

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d. The Community of Ashland presented a plan (Exhibit FI-3) in which the local service rates were the same as proposed by the Commission staff except that touch call service was not included. For calls within the 25 mile Enhanced Local Calling Area, a residential three hour allowance and a business two hour allowance applied. Per minute rates were 3¢ for up to 300 minutes, 2¢ for 301 to 600 minutes and 1¢ for 601 and over with a cap of \$20.00 per month. Calls of more than 25 miles would remain at current rates.

e. The Save Our Service group presented a plan (Exhibit FI-6) which would establish flat rates for basic local service of \$13.75 per month for residential customers in the Lincoln Common Service Area and \$12.75 per month for residence customers elsewhere, and \$42.75 per month and \$38.75 per month for business customers respectively. The flat rates would include touch call service and unlimited calling within a 25 mile radius. This proposal also included a reduction in rates for calls over 25 miles to 22¢ per minute daytime and 11¢ per minute evening and night.

Each of the foregoing plans were presented with the intent to be revenue neutral to LT&T, i.e. to generate no additional revenue and to result in no revenue loss.

4. Summary of Testimony and Comments

Mr. Frank Hilsabeck, President of LT&T, testified on behalf of the company at each of the public hearings. Mr. Hilsabeck explained both of the company's proposals and the steps taken to reach each recommendation. Mr. Hilsabeck discussed the company's concerns over disparities between interstate and intrastate toll rates. He testified regarding the pricing components of LT&T and the service arrangements which currently exist within the 22 counties of Nebraska served by LT&T.

Mr. Maurice Gene Hand, Engineer for the Commission, testified on behalf of the staff at each of the public hearings. Mr. Hand explained the staff's recommendation. He testified that technology has developed to the point where every access line should be equipped to process calls placed by either a touch call or rotary dial instrument at no additional cost to the ratepayer. The staff proposal would discontinue the separate charge for touch call service, thereby, including this service as a part of basic local service for all LT&T subscribers.

Mr. Herbert Sherdon, Director of Communications, testified on behalf of the Commission staff explaining the history of EAS, a definition of EAS and the present situation. Mr. Sherdon also presented other staff recommendations for possible alternative EAS plans. One of these was to remove the four hour exclusion between eight a.m. and noon in the Optional Calling Plan to enhance this plan and make it a more viable option. He also advised continued

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oversight of any plan adopted to properly monitor its effectiveness, perhaps on a quarterly basis.

The following facts are illustrative of the interest in this Docket. Approximately 6,235 individuals signed petitions which were mailed in or submitted at the public hearings. More than 800 people attended the public hearings. The Commission received more than 1,200 phone calls on the proposals. The Commission has in the file more than 659 letters.

The LT&T proposals and the staff proposal were filed at the time of the first five hearings. Prior to the last hearing in Ashland, Nebraska on November 26, 1990, Save Our Service filed its plan and at the hearing modified it to be revenue neutral. The City of Ashland also filed their plan at that hearing.

Sixty-eight subscribers testified at the public hearings. People who supported LT&T's plan or any of the proposed plans did so for one or more of the following reasons: They reside in one of the 27 exchanges with no originating EAS (11 with no EAS, 16 with only incoming EAS). They testified that any plan would benefit them because of the lack of basic services currently available to them. They testified that any of the plans would benefit them economically and would help many of the small businesses in their respective communities. Certain witnesses provided copies of bills that were more than \$100.00 a month which exceeded the average bill of other witnesses. Certain witnesses considered improvement in the present system essential for economic development in rural Nebraska.

Most of the public testimony opposed the elimination of current EAS. Comments were especially emotional in the Lincoln and Hastings common service areas. A number of people spoke about not wanting to lose the present system. Much of the public testimony and many letters focused on the perceived inadequacies of the LT&T proposals and the staff proposal. People testified that they needed the EAS they have and further they indicated a willingness to pay a reasonable rate increase to maintain flat rated EAS. Letters and telephone calls were received by the Commission generally mirrored the public testimony.

Approximately thirty letters opposed any rate increase whatsoever. These letters clearly were in the minority of the correspondence the Commission received. These letters discussed the need for affordable telephone service, especially for the elderly.

The petitions and letters are a part of the file and considered by the Commission. The phone calls were informative, direct and indicative of public opinion on a non-admissible, but relevant level.

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5. Summary of the Formal Intervenor's Comments

Comments have been received from formal intervenors concerning the issues surrounding this docket. Those testifying were Michael Pinguoch from Great Plains Communications, Gary Warren from Hamilton Telephone, Paul Korslund for the Save Our Service Committee and Lee Sapp for the Community of Ashland.

The formal intervenors who represented telephone companies were concerned about the extremely complex ramifications that any of the proposals would have on local service rates and existing revenue streams. Concern was expressed that regardless of the claims to the contrary, approval of the Lincoln Plan by the Commission would establish an undesirable precedent for the rest of the state and the industry.

The formal intervenors who represented subscribers submitted proposals as set out above establishing modified EAS plans which included flat rate EAS and reduced toll rates. The formal intervenors showed a great deal of interest in this docket by their participation at the hearings and in the process.

6. Summary of the Informal Intervenor's Comments

Comments have been received from informal intervenors concerning the impact this docket may have on their organizations or communities. The Commission has carefully reviewed these comments and summarizes them below:

a. Prefiled comments were received from the Community of Waverly, and the Benkelman and Wauneta Telephone Companies requesting the Commission to grant them formal intervenor status. The 30 day time period for "formal intervention" was applied to all parties equally. This Commission used the same standard for all interested parties, however, to insure adequate input from all sides it granted multiple opportunities for all interested parties to participate and fully comment. The community of Waverly's comments were compelling on the issue of maintaining EAS.

b. Prefiled statements were received from Clarks Telephone Company, Benkelmen and Wauneta Telephone Companies, Arapahoe Telephone Company, et.al., Glenwood Telephone Membership Corp., Diller Telephone Company, The Nebraska Independent Telephone Association and Southeast Nebraska Telephone Company. These interested parties had several concerns about the impact this docket would have on the entire state. The potential impact on toll rate disparities, inevitable pressure on local rates, settlement issues, and the future of the toll network were discussed. Certain local exchange carriers discussed the pooling arrangements they currently have with LT&T. If these

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arrangements are impacted by this EAS order, it might greatly impact their toll revenue sources. Also, concern was expressed about their own subscribers requesting a similar plan which individual companies could not afford.

FINDINGS

7. On the basis of the evidence presented at the public hearings concerning this Docket, and giving due consideration to the letters, petitions and telephone calls received by the Commission concerning this Docket, the Commission finds that disparities exist in the quality of service being received by LT&T subscribers based upon the existence, nature and extent of EAS currently being provided. The Commission further finds that it is in the public interest to take steps to mitigate and, insofar as practical, to eliminate such disparity.

8. The Commission finds that in order to maintain and improve the quality of service to subscribers throughout LT&T's service area, while maintaining revenue neutrality for LT&T, it is necessary that the Commission revise LT&T's basic local exchange rates, and with the concurrence of LT&T, that LT&T (a) restructure its rates for EAS; (b) establish an Enhanced Local Calling Area ("ELCA") consisting of a 25 mile radius surrounding each LT&T exchange; (c) establish rates for calls within the ELCA; (d) revise toll rates within LT&T's service area; and (e) revise the terms under which LT&T's Optional Calling Plan ("OCP") and Touch Call service are offered. Each of the foregoing elements, which are more fully described hereinafter, are interrelated and mutually dependent. LT&T will not be required to implement any element unless all elements are effectuated in accordance with existing statutes and Commission Rules.

9. Due to the fact that this Docket, as originally commenced, did not contemplate a revision in LT&T's basic local exchange rates, and no notice of any such change has been provided, LT&T shall, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §86-803 (Reissue 1987) and Commission Rule 002.29, file the Application for Revision of its basic local exchange rates in accordance with the Hearing Officer's Recommendation.

10. Because the revenue neutrality of this plan is subject to estimates of usage and numbers of customers, which estimates are uncertain, the Commission will require reports of LT&T and will monitor the plan for at least a one year period. LT&T should be required to submit monthly reports of revenues, expenses, intraLATA toll minutes and access lines at the time such plan is put into effect.

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In order to assure that both the public interest and LT&T's financial stability is not adversely affected by this Order and the intention that it be revenue neutral for LT&T, the Commission shall retain jurisdiction of this matter to monitor the impact on LT&T revenues for a period of twelve (12) months from the implementation of each of the elements described in the Hearing Officer's Recommendations in paragraphs A through I hereinafter. LT&T shall file a written report of the revenue impact of this Order (a) for the first two (2) month period following its implementation not later than the 15th day of the third month following its implementation; and monthly thereafter. Any action taken by the Commission as a consequence of its reviews shall be in accordance with its authority pursuant to existing statutes and Commission Rules.

The Commission finds that balancing the subscribers' calling needs and telephone company's needs is a difficult act. Counsel for the Community of Ashland described the subscribers aptly as the "Haves and the have-nots". Today technologically advanced telecommunications equipment and facilities exists which would foster business growth and support other rural economic development activities within our state.

The Hearing Officer's Recommendation described below attempts to let the "haves" keep or enhance what they have and allow the "have-nots" to improve their service; all of this with the company retaining the same amount of revenue.

Comments filed by LT&T regarding the hearing officers recommendation stressed several points: That the plan was not revenue neutral; that the plan did not provide toll rate reduction for calls of more than 25 miles terminating within LT&T's service area and that the plan was difficult and complex for telephone customers to understand.

The Commission finds that the differences between the estimates of the staff and the company are the result of differences in the stimulation factors used. The Commission is aware that both the staff and the company's figures are only estimates. The proposal must be monitored and necessary rate adjustments should be made to maintain the revenue neutrality goal of the commission.

11. While acknowledging that it is without authority to set toll rates within LT&T's service area, the Commission recognizes that LT&T's proposed reduction in rates for toll calls outside of the ELCA is desirable. Within ten (10) days after an order entered by the Commission granting the basic local exchange rates recommended by the Hearing Officer, LT&T will file a price list for such toll service to be effective with the change in basic local exchange rates.

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12. The Hearing Officer's Recommendation is a blend of several approaches and has several strengths. The obvious benefit is that it allows current EAS to remain at the option of the customer. It does not abruptly eliminate existing EAS as several other plans proposed. The discounted toll enables callers to reach non-EAS locations at reduced rates. The policy behind reducing touch call rates is sound and is evidenced by several other Commission dockets in this state and across the country. The removal of the four hour optional calling plan restriction is desirable. The optional 60 minute Enhanced Local Calling Area package strengthens the desirability of the plan.

Features of The Hearing Officer's Recommendation

A. There shall be established two rate Groups:

RATE GROUP A - All exchanges that reach Lincoln in their Enhanced Local Calling Area (ELCA)

RATE GROUP B - All exchanges that will not have Lincoln in their ELCA

B. Under this proposal the following local rates are suggested:

Exchanges that have some form of originating Extended Area Service (EAS) today should have the following suggested rates:

	Rate Group A	Rate Group B
Residence (R-1)	\$12.50/month	\$11.00/month
Business (B-1)	39.00/month	35.00/month

Exchanges that cannot originate EAS calls today should have the following suggested rates:

	Rate Group A	Rate Group B
Residence (R-1)	\$11.50/month	\$10.00/month
Business (B-1)	37.00/month	33.00/month

C. Current EAS will be grandfathered. The Commission in this order does not allow for any existing EAS route to be abandoned. EAS surcharges will be optional and suggested prices are as follows:

Residence	\$.50 for Beatrice, David City, Pawnee City and Seward
	\$1.00 for Lincoln and Hastings

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\$1.50 for all exchanges that have originating EAS not including exchanges listed above or exchanges in the EAS areas surrounding Lincoln and Hastings

\$3.00 for all exchanges in the EAS areas surrounding Lincoln and Hastings

Business \$1.50 for Beatrice, David City, Pawnee City and Seward

\$3.00 for Lincoln and Hastings

\$4.50 for all exchanges that have originating EAS not including exchanges listed above or exchanges in the EAS areas surrounding Lincoln and Hastings

\$9.00 for all exchanges in the EAS areas surrounding Lincoln and Hastings

D. Enhanced Local Calling Area (ELCA) rates are suggested to be reduced by 50%.

Calls within ELCA (25 miles or less)

Day	\$.12/minute
Evening and Night	.06/minute

E. Toll Rates for calls over 25 miles to be reduced:

Calls within LT&T service area (26-55 miles)

Day (8-5)	\$.24/minute
Evening and Night	.12/minute

Calls within LT&T service area (56 miles and over)

Day (8-5)	\$.30/minute
Evening and Night	.15/minute

F. Touch Call Rates:

Residence (R-1)	\$.75/month
Business (B-1)	2.00/month

G. ELCA Package Plan:

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Residential customers without originating EAS or customers that opt out of existing EAS would be provided the option of receiving 60 minutes of calling within their ELCA for \$1.00.

Business customers without originating EAS or business customers that opt out of existing EAS would be provided the option of receiving 60 minutes of calling within their ELCA for \$2.00.

H. Optional Calling Plan:

LT&T will revise its Optional Calling Plan tariff by eliminating all time of day restrictions and make this option available to all subscribers.

I. Service Order Charges:

The service order charge will not apply to the original election of an option nor to one additional selection during the first 90 days the new plan is in effect.

13. This new approach is not the permanent resolution of this dilemma. In adopting this order, the Commission is determined to move forward on the Rule and Regulation #108 to dispose the EAS question for the state. In so doing, the regulatory stage at least is cleared of a long standing controversy in the LT&T territory.

It should be noted that the independent telephone companies are not directly affected by this proposal. It remains to be seen whether independent telephone company customers will demand larger calling areas. We do not believe it is fair to delay improved service to customers of LT&T just to accommodate the unknown potential demand for larger calling areas in exchanges served by independent telephone companies. In Rule and Regulation #108, the independent telephone companies can submit whatever proposals they believe are appropriate for their subscribers.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission in Docket C-801 that the plan set forth in the Opinion and Findings herein which will preserve existing EAS or allow for an Enhanced Local Calling Area for all subscribers of The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company be and it is hereby adopted, effective July 1, 1991.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that respondent submit reports of revenues, expenses, intraLATA toll minutes and access lines at the time such plan is put into effect and monthly thereafter until further order of the Commission. Said reports shall be filed within 30 days of the dates to which the report applies. Respondent shall also submit such other reports as may be necessary to evaluate the plan.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if, after at least six months of operation under the plan, the Commission finds that the plan is not revenue neutral by a significant amount, it may, after notice and hearing, order such changes as it may deem necessary. Any overearning shall be first applied to reduce touch call rates and thereafter as the Commission orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company submit all necessary applications for approval of this Commission and rate lists which are necessary to place the plan in effect.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 5th day of March, 1991.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



//s//Frank E. Landis, Jr.

//s//James F. Munnelly

//s//Eric Rasmussen

ATTEST:


Executive Director

COMMISSIONERS DISSENTING:

//s//Duane D. Gay

APPLICATIONS FILED SINCE SEPTEMBER 1, 1991

	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
09-04-90	C-860	The Commission on its own motion to determine the boundary between the Fremont exchange of US West and the Yutan exchange of the Lincoln Telephone Co.
09-18-90	C-861	Arapahoe Telephone Company, Arapahoe, NE for authority to revise its Arapahoe, Nebraska exchange service boundary.
09-20-90	C-862	Kantel Communications, Inc., Lawrence, KS for authority to offer pay telephone telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
09-27-90	C-863	Convergent Communications, Inc., Bixby, OK for a Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity to operate as a reseller of "calling card" telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
10-02-90	C-864	American Public Communications, Inc., Garland, TX for authority to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
10-30-90	C-865	Matrix Telecom, Fort Worth, TX for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska
11-07-90	C-866	Eastern Ambulance Service, Inc., Lincoln, NE for authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
11-16-90	C-867	Cable & Wireless Communications, Inc., Vienna, VA for a Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity to provide inter-exchange telecommunications services.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
11-16-90	C-868	The Commission on its own motion to determine the boundary between the Wilcox exchange of Great Plains Communications and the Hildreth exchange of General Telephone Co. of the North, Inc.
11-16-90	C-869	The Commission on its own motion to determine the boundary between the Albion exchange of General Telephone Company of the North, Inc. and the St. Edward exchange of Great Plains Communications.
12-14-90	C-870	Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co. for a Certificate of Convenience & Necessity to construct new toll telecommunication facilities and offer toll service over a portion of US West's toll facilities serving the Craig, Nebraska exchange.
12-14-90	C-871	Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co. for approval of and authority to execute a Basis Date Agreement with the United States of America, Department of Agriculture, Rural Electrification Administration.
12-14-90	C-872	Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co. for (1) approval of and authority to execute an amendment to telephone loan contract with the United States of America, Department of Agriculture, Rural Electrification Administration; (2) approval of and authority to borrow \$4,485,000.00 and to execute a note and restated mortgage to the United States of America; (3) a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct new toll telecommunication facilities serving the Clearwater, Nebraska exchange; and (4) approval of and authority to replace buried copper toll telephone facilities with fiber-optic toll telephone facilities at the Coleridge, Dixon, Obert, Martinsburg and Newcastle, Nebraska exchanges.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
12-18-90	C-873	Henry & Vern Jantzen, Plymouth, NE for authority to receive telephone service from the Plymouth exchange of the Lincoln Telephone Company.
12-21-90	C-874	LT&T for authority to adjust depreciation rates on classes of its equipment.
12-26-90	C-875	United Telephone Company of the West for revised depreciation rates.
01-04-91	C-876	Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co., Jackson, NE requests consideration and approval for a boundary change to place the farm residence of Stuart Lubberstedt and Ted Miller in the Dixon exchange area.
01-14-91	C-877	Hartington Telephone Inc. & Eastern Nebraska Telephone Co. for Certificate of Convenience & Necessity to construct new toll telecommunication facilities at the Randolph exchange.
01-17-91	C-878	Amer-I-Net Services, Corp. for a Certificate of Services to transact the business of a reseller of telecommunication services.
01-24-91	C-879	Fiberline Network Communications, Limited Partnership, Las Vegas, NV for authority as a reseller of interLATA & intraLATA telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
02-01-91	C-880	Phoenix Network, Inc., San Francisco, CA for a Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity to provide intrastate interLATA telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.
02-04-91	C-881	Tel-Save, Inc. (TS) for a Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity to operate as a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services in the state of Nebraska.

	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
03-22-91	C-882	LT&T, Lincoln, NE for authority to adjust its rates and charges for telephone service in accordance with the Commissions order in Application No. C-801 on March 5, 1991.
03-25-91	C-883	Pierce Telephone Co., Inc., Pierce, NE for authority to (1) approval of the execution of an amendment to telephone loan contract, United States of America acting through the administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration and the Rural Telephone Bank; (2) approval of and authority to borrow an amount not in excess of \$3,182,550.00 and to execute a note and mortgage to the United States of America; (3) approval of and authority to replace buried toll telephone facilities with fiber-optic toll telephone facilities between the Pierce and Hoskins exchanges of applicant and to meet point on U.S. West's digital lightwave cable; (4) approval of and authority to replace existing mechanical central office equipment with digital central office equipment and to add related central office improvements and provide interactive television capabilities to service schools; (5) approval of and authority to reinforce air core cable with gel filled cable.
03-29-91	C-884	One Call Communications, Inc., d/b/a Opticom for a Certificate of Public Convenience & Necessity to operate as an interexchange telecommunications resale carrier and operator services provide within the state of Nebraska.
04-08-91	C-885	Excel Telecommunications, Inc., Dallas, TX for a Certificate of Interexchange service authority to operate as a reseller of telecommunications services within the state of Nebraska.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
04-08-91	C-886	Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc., Danbury, NE a corporation for authority to borrow funds, and to issue and deliver notes and security instruments on its properties therefore.
04-19-91	C-887	The Commission on its own motion to determine the boundary between the Plainview exchange of the Plainview Telephone Co. and the Osmond exchange of the Eastern Nebraska Telephone.
04-29-91	C-888	TCI Communications, Inc. for authority to operate as an operator service provider within the state of Nebraska.
04-30-91	C-889	Silverado Communications Corp, Englewood, CO for authority to provide automated collect and operator assisted service within the state of Nebraska.
06-10-91	C-890	The Commission on its own motion to determine the boundary between the Arlington exchange of the Arlington Telephone Co. and the Fremont exchange of US West.
06-11-91	C-891	The Commission on its own motion to determine surcharge for the statewide dual-party relay system to become effective January 1, 1992.
07-01-91	C-892	Virgil L. Spitz, Columbus, NE for authority to receive telephone service from Columbus exchange of the GTE Telephone Co.
06-28-91	C-893	Nedelco, Inc., d/b/a Hamilton Telecom, Aurora, NE for authority to offer and provide InterLATA and IntraLATA interexchange telecommunications services and to become an operator service provider.
07-17-91	C-894	Alternate Communications Technology, Inc., Indianapolis, IN for a Certificate of Public

<u>DATE</u>	<u>APP. NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
		Convenience & Necessity to operate as a reseller of long distance telephone service and to provide intrastate operator-assisted telecommunications services.
07-22-91	C-895	Larry Vice of Omaha, NE for authority to receive telephone service from the Omaha exchange of US West Communications.
07-25-91	C-896	Petition from the residents of the Edison exchanges served by GTE North, Inc. requesting extended area service to the Arapahoe exchange served by the Arapahoe Telephone Co.
07-29-91	C-897	Affinity Network Incorporated, Los Angeles, CA for authority to operate as a resale carrier within the state of Nebraska.

FORMAL COMPLAINTS FILED SINCE SEPTEMBER 1, 1990

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FC NO.</u>	<u>APPLICANT</u>
01-30-91	FC-1232	Jimmie Firestone, Lincoln vs. Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Co., Lincoln, NE for refusal of service.

RATE LISTS FILED SINCE SEPTEMBER 1990

During the last year, 124 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>
09-05-90	Benkelman	To Establish Charge for Returned Checks
09-05-90	Wauneta	To Establish Charge for Returned Checks
09-07-90	US West	To Revise Language Relating to Caller Number Display Blocking
09-13-90	Hartington	To Increase Payphone Rate to 25¢
09-17-90	United	To Block 900/976
09-20-90	LinTel	To Reduce Rates for 800 Service
09-20-90	LT&T	To Block 900
09-21-90	Teleconnect	To Remove Monthly, Nonrecurring Charges and High Volume Discounts for Fixed MTS Service
09-24-90	MidAmerican	To Introduce Conference Calling and Volume Discounts for Directory Assistance Calls
09-27-90	US West	To Withdraw Tariff for Call Management Reports
10-01-90	GTE North	To Increase Rates for Certain Custom Calling Features
10-05-90	LT&T	To Provide New Custom Calling Services

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
10-05-90	LT&T	To Provide for Telecommunications Service Priority Service
10-16-90	Great Plains	To Offer Custom Calling at Stapleton and Tryon
10-18-90	US West	To Offer a Product Satisfaction Guarantee and Special Promotions
10-24-90	LT&T	To Offer 19.2kbps Digital Data Service
10-26-90	US West	To Offer Call Management Reports
10-26-90	Nebraska Telephone Assn.	To Revise Access Rates
11-01-90	MidAmerican	To Offer MAXIM Service and Change Name to MidAmerican Communications Corp
11-02-90	Great Plains Communications	To Include 900 Blocking
11-02-90	Cozad Telephone	To Add Pro-rate Billing of Occupation Tax
11-20-90	US West	To Increase Rates for Videotex Service, Reduce Rates for 800 Service Line and Offer LMS at Clarkson, Howells and Tekamah
11-21-90	Plainview	To Offer New Custom Calling Services
11-28-90	Arlington Telephone	To Offer Custom Calling Services
12-03-90	US West	To Reflect Name Change
12-04-90	AT&T	To Offer AT&T All Pro WATS
12-04-90	AT&T	To Revise Text of MultiQuest Service
12-11-90	US West	To Reduce the Monthly Rate for Telecommunications Service Priority System

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
12-12-90	AT&T	To Increase Rate for Operator-Handled Calls
12-14-90	MCI	To Offer MCI Choice, MCI Vision, Increase Calling Card Rates and Change Rates for Other Services
12-18-90	Allnet	To Offer Maxcess Smart Service for Users of General Credit Cards
12-18-90	US West	To Reflect Dual Relay Surcharge, Waiver of Service Changes for Listing Services and Revision of Billing and Collecting Tariffs
12-20-90	US West	To Delete Product Satisfaction Guarantee
12-21-90	LinTel	Specialized Residential 800 Rate Schedule
12-21-90	LT&T	Text Change in General Exchange Tariff
12-21-90	LT&T	Add Digital Switched Service
12-21-90	LT&T	Trunk Charge for Digital Switched Service
12-21-90	AT&T	To Offer Software Refined Data Network
12-24-90	Benkelman	To Revise Tariff Relating to Billing, Credit and Disconnection
12-24-90	Wauneta	To Revise Tariff on Billing, Credit and Disconnection
12-24-90	Hamilton	To Establish Toll Rates for Relay Calls
12-28-90	Hartman	To Establish Construction Charges
01-16-91	US West	To Reduce Residence Rate for Caller ID and Offer a Guarantee

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
01-17-91	Allnet	To Offer Allnet Solution, a Single Per Minute Non-Distance Sensitive Service
01-22-91	Arapahoe	To Provide for Prorata Billing of Local Taxes
01-22-91	MCI	To Offer Optional V Net Features
01-25-91	Great Plains	To Offer Custom Calling Features at Bloomfield and Wausa
01-25-91	MCI	To Correct Errors in Leased Line Tariff
01-30-91	LT&T	To Clarify Rates for Off-Premise Extensions
02-05-91	Plainview	To offer Incoming Only Lines
02-05-91	US West	To Offer New Custom Calling Features
02-07-91	Great Plains	To Offer Emergency Reporting Service
02-14-91	Benkelman	To Provide for Pro Rata Billing of Local Taxes
02-14-91	Wauneta	To Provide for Pro Rata Billing of Local Taxes
02-19-91	US West	To Grandfather 2 Party Service in Iowa Exchanges and Revise Billing and Collection Tariff
02-20-91	AT&T	To Offer Accunet Digital Service
02-21-91	Glenwood	To Offer 911 and Enhanced 911
02-25-91	GTE North	To Reduce Switched Transport Rate in Access Tariff
03-05-91	US West	To Offer Electronic White Pages Service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
03-07-91	Arlington, et al	To Offer Bridging for Special Access
03-12-91	AT&T	To Revise Accunet Tariff
03-15-91	United	To Increase Special Access Rates
03-18-91	US West	To Revise Call Management Report Tariff
03-20-91	US Sprint	To Offer International Visaphone Service
03-22-91	MCI	To Offer MCI Preferred for Inbound, Outbound and Calling Card Access
03-22-91	Blair Telephone	To Offer New Custom Calling Features
03-22-91	United	To Correct Text of Access Tariff
03-25-91	United Telephone Long Distance	To Reflect Name Change to United Teleservices, Inc.
03-26-91	US West	To Offer Message Waiting Indication - Visual
03-29-91	LT&T	To Establish a Charge for Change in DID Trunk
04-03-91	Stanton	To Reissue Tariff
04-08-91	US Sprint	Reduce Rates for Sprint Advanced WATS Plus and Revise Rates for Dial "1" WATS
04-08-91	MCI	To Offer Friends and Family Program
04-10-91	LT&T	To Establish Tariff for Telecommunications Service Priority System
04-11-91	GTE North	To Offer Toll Restriction Service
04-12-91	Eastern Ambulance	Resale Tariff

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
04-12-91	US West	To Offer Caller Identification-Bulk
04-12-91	Allnet	To Revise Rates for Maxcess and Vantage Services
04-16-91	Benkelman	To Revise Service and Construction Charges
04-16-91	Wauneta	To Revise Service and Construction Charges
04-17-91	Hamilton	To Offer Conference Bridge Service
04-18-91	NTA	To Include Henderson Coop in Access Tariffs
04-18-91	US West	To Offer LMS at Alliance, Big Springs and Lyons
04-19-91	US West	To Revise Rebate Promotions
04-19-91	AT&T	To Reduce Prices for Reach Out Nebraska
04-23-91	US Sprint	To Offer Dial 1 WATS Advantage
04-29-91	GTE North	To Offer New Custom Calling Features
04-29-91	Dial-Net	To Update Tariff
05-02-91	MCI	Increase Rates for Prism Plus Service
05-06-91	LT&T	Increase Rates for Selective Class of Call Screening
05-07-91	US West	To File a New Open Network Architecture (ONA) Tariff
05-10-91	LT&T	To Revise Check List
05-13-91	Arlington	To Establish Special Access Rate
05-13-91	US West	To Revise Custom Ringing Service

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
05-16-91	US Sprint	To Offer Hospitality Connection Service
05-20-91	LT&T	To Offer Operator Local Conference Service
05-30-91	GTE North	To Include Call Screening with Toll Restriction
05-30-91	GTE North	To Offer GTE Dial Datalink Service
05-31-91	UTLD	To Offer Senior Discount Plan
06-07-91	AT&T	To Offer Distributed Network Service
06-07-91	US West	To Offer Call Rejection Service
06-07-91	US West	To Discontinue Offering 2 Party Service to New Customers
06-10-91	MidAmerican	To Offer Speed Number Service, Account Code Sheets and Calltrak
06-11-91	UTLD	To Correct Typographical Error in Senior Discount Plan
06-12-91	Allnet	To Offer Allnet Access Service
06-18-91	US West	To Revise the Premises Wiring Services Catalog
06-19-91	United	To Revise ABC Tariff to Eliminate COCOT Lines
06-20-91	US West	To Offer Special Promotion for Business Customers
06-21-91	AT&T	To Increase Rates for AT&T PROWATS NEBRASKA
06-24-91	Great Plains	To Offer Custom Calling at Beemer, Callaway and Oconto
06-26-91	US West	To offer LMS at Emerson, Gothenburg, Brule & Broken Bow

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
07-01-91	Allnet	To Offer Pacesetter Plus
07-03-91	Metromedia	Increase Dial-Up WATS Off-Peak Rate
07-03-91	GTE	To Establish Reserved Telephone Number Service
07-07-91	Hartington	To Provide for Interest on Delinquent Bills
07-09-91	US West	To Provide for Outward Shared WATS
07-03-91	LT&T	To Revise Basic and Toll Rates Per C-801
07-16-91	MCI	To Increase Rates for Prism I
07-16-91	US Sprint	To Increase Fonecard Surcharge
07-22-91	US West	To Offer Contingency Plan Service, a Special Promotion for Additional Lines and to Revise Business Voice Messaging
07-23-91	Fiberline	Original Tariff Filing
07-26-91	Lintel	To Increase Rates
07-03-91	LT&T	Revised Tariffs and Rate Lists EAS-ELCA-etc.
07-29-91	Allnet	To Reduce Rates and Establish 18 Second Minimum Per Call for Allnet Maxceos II Service