

STATE OF MICHIGAN

BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)
TELNET WORLDWIDE, INC., for arbitration of)
interconnection rates, terms, and conditions and)
related arrangements with **VERIZON NORTH**) Case No. U-13931
INC. and CONTEL OF THE SOUTH, INC., d/b/a)
VERIZON NORTH SYSTEMS.)
_____)

At the July 19, 2005 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing,
Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. J. Peter Lark, Chairman
Hon. Laura Chappelle, Commissioner
Hon. Monica Martinez, Commissioner

ORDER

On October 24, 2003, TelNet Worldwide, Inc. (TelNet) filed a petition seeking arbitration of an interconnection agreement with Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems (Verizon), pursuant to the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 USC 251 *et seq.* On October 14, 2004, February 24, 2005, and June 7, 2005, the Commission issued orders resolving issues in this case. In the June 7 order, the Commission ordered the parties to file a conforming agreement within 30 days that conformed to the findings and conclusions of the Commission's orders in this proceeding. On June 28, 2005, the parties submitted an executed copy of their agreement and requested the Commission's approval.

Section 252 of the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 USC 252, requires that any interconnection agreement that is adopted by arbitration be submitted to the Commission for approval. 47 USC 252(e) provides in part:

(2) The State commission may only reject

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(B) an agreement (or any portion thereof) adopted by arbitration under subsection (b) if it finds that the agreement does not meet the requirements of Section 251, including the regulations prescribed by the Commission pursuant to Section 251, or the standards set forth in subsection (d) of this section

47 USC 252(e)(2).

The Commission concludes, after reviewing the agreement, that it should approve the interconnection agreement. The Commission finds that the agreement is consistent with federal and state law and is in the public interest. Under 47 USC 252(i) and MCL 484.2359(2), the services provided under the agreement, as amended, must be made available to other telecommunications carriers upon the same terms and conditions.

The Commission FINDS that:

a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1991 PA 179, as amended, MCL 484.2101 *et seq.*; the Communications Act of 1934, as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 USC 151 *et seq.*; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 *et seq.*; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1999 AC, R 460.17101 *et seq.*

b. The interconnection agreement should be approved.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that:

A. The interconnection agreement between TelNet Worldwide, Inc. and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, is approved.

B. Approval of the interconnection agreement does not alter the duty of the parties to comply with relevant federal and state law and past and future Commission orders and rules.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

(S E A L)

/s/ J. Peter Lark
Chairman

By its action of July 19, 2005.

/s/ Laura Chappelle
Commissioner

/s/ Mary Jo Kunkle
Its Executive Secretary

/s/ Monica Martinez
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Suggested Minute:

“Adopt and issue order dated July 19, 2005 approving an interconnection agreement between TelNet Worldwide, Inc., and Verizon North Inc. and Contel of the South, Inc., d/b/a Verizon North Systems, as set forth in the order.”