

Docket No: 05-0704
Bench Date: 12/21/05
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Commission

FROM: David Gilbert, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: December 6, 2005

SUBJECT: The El Paso Telephone Company and NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners, as agent for Nextel WIP License Corp. and Nextel WIP Expansion Corp.

Joint Petition for Approval of Negotiated Agreement pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter attached Order approving agreement for transport and termination of traffic.

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, El Paso Telephone Company and NPCR, Inc., d/b/a Nextel Partners, as agent for Nextel WIP License Corp. and Nextel WIP Expansion Corp., request approval of an agreement between those parties for the transport and termination of telecommunications traffic.

The agreement establishes the methodology for the indirect exchange of traffic originated on the network of one carrier and terminated on the network of the other. The Agreement also determines compensation for such traffic.

No party contended that the amendment is discriminatory or contrary to the public interest. The law requires El Paso to make the terms of the amendment available to other requesting parties. Staff recommends that the amendment be approved by the Commission. There are no contested issues in the docket.

For the foregoing reasons, I recommend that the Commission enter the attached Order, which approves the agreement.

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