SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application)	Application No. C-5176
of Gordon Peden and the Cozad)	
Telephone Company, of Cozad,)	
Nebraska seeking authority to)	
receive advanced)	GRANTED
telecommunications service from)	
the Cozad Exchange of Cozad)	
Telephone Company.)	Entered: November 17, 2020

BY THE COMMISSION:

On October 6, 2020 an Application was filed by Gordon Peden and the Cozad Telephone Company, of Cozad, Nebraska seeking a boundary change to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Cozad Exchange of Cozad Telephone Company ("Cozad"), in lieu of its current telephone service from CenturyLink QC. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on October 9, 2020. No protests were filed; therefore, this docket was handled pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Cozad and CenturyLink QC are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. Gordon Peden is located within the boundary of CenturyLink's Lexington Exchange and has requested a boundary change so that they may receive telephone service from the Cozad Exchange of Cozad Telephone Company. CenturyLink QC has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Cozad Telephone Company has also notified the Commission that it is willing to make the boundary change and provide service to the Applicant.

Changes of a local exchange territory are governed by Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 86-135 to 86-138. Section 86-135 states that only upon non-consent of all telephone carriers involved shall the Commission hold a public hearing in the application. With no protest filed by any party and with each of the affected local exchange carriers consenting to the boundary change, the Commission processes this application administratively and without a public hearing.

The Commission staff has modified the QC and Cozad local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the Cozad Exchange.

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Copies of the exchange maps with the proposed revisions are attached as Attachment "A" to this Order and hereby incorporated for reference. If either company has objections or changes to the proposed boundary map, it has until November 25, 2020, to contact the Commission with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from CenturyLink QC or Cozad by close of business on December 8, 2020 the boundary maps shall be modified as proposed in Attachment "A".

The Commission finds that, in light of the consent between the parties involved, the application is in the public interest and should be granted. It is the expectation of the Commission that the two carriers involved in the boundary change shall collaborate in good faith to ensure that the transition of the customer's service from one carrier to the other shall be as seamless as possible.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-5176 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before December 8, 2020 the parties to this docket shall contact the Commission with any changes or concerns regarding the boundary as proposed in Attachment "A" to this order. If no objection is received from CenturyLink QC or Cozad, the boundary as shown in Attachment "A" to this Order, shall be the official boundary of the two telecommunication companies.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this $17^{\rm th}$ day of November, 2020.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Deputy Director



