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BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-5211
of Mark and Amanda Colburn,)
Valentine, Nebraska, seeking)
authority to receive advanced) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
telecommunications capability)
service from the Valentine)
Exchange of CenturyLink)
Communications, LLC.) Entered: March 30, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On February 12, 2021, an Application was filed by Mark and Amanda Colburn of Valentine, Nebraska, seeking a boundary change to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Valentine Exchange of CenturyLink Communications, LLC ("CenturyLink"), in lieu of their current telephone service from Consolidated Telephone Co. ("Consolidated"). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on February 18, 2021. No protests were filed; therefore, this docket was handled pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

CenturyLink and Consolidated are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. Mark and Amanda Colburn are located within the boundary of Consolidated's Thedford Exchange and have requested a boundary change so that they may receive telephone service from the Valentine Exchange of CenturyLink Communications, LLC. Consolidated has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. CenturyLink has also notified the Commission that it does not object to the boundary change and that it is willing to provide service to the Applicant.

Changes of a local exchange territory boundary 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 Consolidated and CenturyLink local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the

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Valentine Exchange and the Thedford Exchange. 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 must contact the Commission with said objections or changes on or before April 30, 2021, to contact the Commission with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from Consolidated or CenturyLink by close of business on April 30, 2021, 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.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-5211 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the revised exchange boundaries detailed in Attachment "A" to this Order be, and are hereby made, the official boundaries of the Valentine Exchange of CenturyLink Communications, LLC and the Thedford Exchange of Consolidated Telephone Co.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of March, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Cystal Keadler
Mary Keadler
Tim Schram

Don Watson
Chair

ATTEST:

Mark P. Hyatt