

# SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application    ) Application No. C-5221  
of Robert Bohlken, Wymore,            )  
seeking authority to receive         )  
advanced telecommunications         ) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION  
capability service from the           )  
Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley        )  
Telecommunications, Inc.               ) Entered: April 27, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 8, 2021, an Application was filed by Robert Bohlken of Wymore, Nebraska, seeking a boundary change to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. ("Blue Valley"), in lieu of his current telephone service from Windstream Nebraska, Inc. ("Windstream"). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on March 15, 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

Blue Valley and Windstream are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. Robert Bohlken's residence is located within the boundary of Windstream's Barneston Exchange. The Applicant has requested a boundary change to receive telephone service the Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. Windstream has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Blue Valley 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.

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The Commission staff has modified the Windstream and Blue Valley local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the Barneston Exchange and the Oketo 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 May 21, 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 May 21, 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-5221 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 Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. and the Barneston Exchange of Windstream Nebraska, Inc.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 27th day of April, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

