

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-5319
of James and Rebecca Hunke,)
Hartington, Nebraska, seeking)
authority to receive advanced) GRANTED
telecommunications service from)
the Hartington Exchange of)
Hartelco.) Entered: September 14, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 2, 2021 an Application was filed by James and Rebecca Hunke of Hartington, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartelco, in lieu of his current telephone service from Great Plains Communications ("Great Plains"). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 5, 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

Hartelco and Great Plains are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. James and Rebecca Hunke are located within the boundary of Great Plains' Crofton Exchange and have requested a boundary change so that they may receive telephone service from the Hartington Exchange of Hartelco. Great Plains has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Hartelco has also notified the Commission that it is willing to make the boundary change and provide service to the Applicants.

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 Hartelco and Great Plains local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the Hartington Exchange. Copies of the exchange maps with the proposed revisions are attached as Attachment "A" to this Order and hereby

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incorporated for reference. If either company has objections or changes to the proposed boundary map, it has until October 5, 2021, to contact the Commission with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from Hartelco or Great Plains by close of business on October 5, 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-5319 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before October 5, 2021 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 Hartelco or Great Plains, 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 14th day of September, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:


Chair

ATTEST:


Deputy Director