# SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Application of	)	Applicat	ion No.	C-5	308	
Lisa Samuelson, Norfolk, seeking	)					
authority to receive advanced	)					
telecommunications capability	)	GRANTED				
service from the Hoskins	)					
Exchange of Pierce Telephone	)					
Company, Inc.	)	Entered:	Septeml	ber	28,	2021

#### BY THE COMMISSION:

On July 26, 2021 an Application was filed by Lisa Samuelson of Norfolk, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Hoskins Exchange of Pierce Telephone Company, Inc. ("Pierce Telephone"), in lieu of her current telephone service from Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC of Denver Colorado ("CenturyLink"). Notice of the application was published in <a href="The Daily Record">The Daily Record</a>, Omaha, Nebraska, on July 30, 2021. No protests were filed; therefore, this docket was handled pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Modified Procedure.

### OPINION AND FINDINGS

Pierce Telephone and CenturyLink are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. Lisa Samuelson is located within the boundary of CenturyLink's Norfolk Exchange and has requested a boundary change so that she may receive telephone service from the Hoskins Exchange of Pierce Telephone. CenturyLink has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Pierce Telephone 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 Pierce Telephone and CenturyLink local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the

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Hoskins 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 has until September 30, 2021, to contact the Commission with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from Pierce Telephone or CenturyLink by close of business on September 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.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-5308 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before September 30, 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 Pierce Telephone or CenturyLink, 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  $28^{\rm th}$  day of September, 2021.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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ATTEST:

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