

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the) Application No. C-5330
Application of Warren and)
Theresa Knabe, Wymore, seeking)
authority to receive advanced) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
telecommunications capability)
service from the Oketo Exchange)
of Blue Valley)
Telecommunications, Inc.) Entered: November 16, 2021

BY THE COMMISSION:

On August 31, 2021, an Application was filed by Warren and Theresa Knabe of Wymore, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley Telecommunications, Inc. ("Blue Valley"), in lieu of their current telephone service from the Barneston Exchange of Windstream Nebraska, Inc. ("Windstream"). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on September 8, 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. Warren and Theresa Knabe are located within the boundary of Windstream's Barneston Exchange and have requested a boundary change so that they may receive telephone service from the Oketo Exchange of Blue Valley. Windstream has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Blue Valley has also notified the Commission that it is willing to 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

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Commission processes this application administratively and without a public hearing.

The Commission staff has modified the Blue Valley and Windstream local exchange maps to show the boundary change to 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 on or before December 17, 2021 with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from Blue Valley or Windstream by close of business on December 17, 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 customers' 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-5330 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before December 17, 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 Blue Valley or Windstream, the boundary as shown in Attachment "A" to this Order shall be the official exchange boundary of the two telecommunications companies.

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ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 16th day of November, 2021.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rob Johnson
Crystal Brader
Mary Kiddy
Tim Schram

Don Watson
Chair

ATTEST:

Shanice Khutson
Deputy Director