

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-5371
of Lydia Thompson, Doniphan,)
seeking authority to receive)
advanced telecommunications) ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
capability service from the)
Doniphan exchange of the Hamilton)
Telephone Company.) Entered: February 23, 2022

BY THE COMMISSION:

On January 11, 2022, an Application was filed by Lydia Thompson of Doniphan, Nebraska, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications service from the Doniphan Exchange of Hamilton Telephone Company ("Hamilton"), in lieu of her current telephone service from the Hansen Exchange of Windstream Nebraska, Inc. ("Windstream"). Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 14, 2022. 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

Hamilton and Windstream are local exchange carriers holding certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide local exchange service in their respective territories. Lydia Thompson is located within the boundary of Windstream's Hansen Exchange and has requested a boundary change so that she may receive telephone service from the Doniphan Exchange of Hamilton. Windstream has notified the Commission that it does not oppose the proposed boundary change. Hamilton has also notified the Commission that it is willing to 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 Hamilton and Windstream local exchange maps to show the boundary change to the Doniphan Exchange. Copies of the exchange maps with the proposed revisions

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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 March 23, 2022 with said objections or changes. If the Commission receives no objections or changes from Hamilton or Windstream by close of business on March 23, 2022, the boundary maps shall be modified as proposed in Attachment "A".

The Commission finds that in lieu 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-5371 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before March 23, 2022, 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 Hamilton or Windstream, the boundary as shown in Attachment "A" to this Order shall be the official exchange boundary of the two telecommunications companies.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 23rd day of February, 2022.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Rock Johnson
Crystal Brader
Mary Kadden
Tim Schram

Don Watson
Chair

ATTEST:

Thomas W. Golden
Executive Director