## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of ) Gaylen and Judy Hanquist, Hordville,) Nebraska, for authority to receive ) telephone service from the Hordville) exchange of the Hamilton Telephone Company.

Application No. C-184

DENIED

Entered: February 2, 1982

APPEARANCES:

For the Protestant, The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company Paul M. Schudel, Attorney 1500 American Charter Center Lincoln, Nebraska

For Hamilton Telephone Company Michael J. Owens, Attorney Box 167 Aurora, Nebraska

**OPINION AND FINDINGS** 

## BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed September 22, 1981, Gaylen and Judy Hanquist, Hord-ville, Nebraska, seek authority to receive telephone service from the Hordville exchange of the Hamilton Telephone Company.

Copies of the application were served upon The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company and Hamilton Telephone Company.

Pursuant to notice required by law, public hearing was held on the application on December 3, 1981, in the Hamilton County Court House, Aurora, Nebraska with appearances as set forth above.

Upon consideration of the application, the evidence adduced at the hearing and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that:

- 1. Applicants are individuals, husband and wife, living in the rural area southwest of Polk, Nebraska. Specifically, applicants live in the Southwest Quarter of Section 1, Range 5 West, Township 12 North, Hamilton County, Nebraska. Applicants are presently receiving telephone service through the Polk exchange of The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company.
- 2. Hamilton Telephone Company is a common carrier under the jurisdiction of this Commission and owns and operates the telephone exchange at Hordville, Nebraska.
- 3. The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company is a common carrier under the jurisdiction of this Commission and owns and operates the telephone exchange at Polk, Nebraska. The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company protests the granting of this application.
- 4. Mr Hanquist testified that most of his business and social contacts are in the area served by the Hordville exchange or Central City which can be called toll-free from Hordville.
- 5. Mr. Richard Palazzolo testified on behalf of The Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph Company that it objected to the application because a duplication of facilities would be created if the application were granted. The evidence indicates that the line serving the applicants continues on for approximately one mile to serve three other subscribers.

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6. The granting of this application would create a duplication of facilities and the application should be denied.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-184 be and it is hereby denied.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 2nd day of February, 1982.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

ATTEST:

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Secretary

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