BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the application)	Applicati	on No	. C-	726
of Roger W. Gehrig and Micki L.)				
Gehrig, Stamford, Nebraska for)	DENIED			
authority to receive telephone)				
service from the Stamford exchange)				
of the General Telephone Company.)	Entered:	June	16,	1987

OPINION AND FINDINGS

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed March 13, 1987 Roger W. Gehrig and Micki L. Gehrig, Stamford, Nebraska seek authority to receive telephone service from the Stamford exchange of General Telephone Company.

A copy of the application was served upon General Telephone Company and Rural Telephone Service, Inc., of Lenora, Kansas. Pursuant to notice required by law, public hearing was held on the application on May 7, 1987 at 10:00 a.m. in the Harlan County Courthouse, Alma, Nebraska.

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 husband and wife residing in and receiving telephone service from the Long Island, Kansas exchange of Rural Telephone Service, Inc. The location of their residence is the Southeast Quarter of Section 27, Range 1 North, Township 20 West, Harlan County, Nebraska.
- 2. Roger Gehrig testified that he and his wife desire to receive telephone service from Stamford. He has experienced difficulty receiving calls from others because he is served by a Kansas telephone exchange although he lives in Nebraska and has a Nebraska address.
- 3. K. N. Bauman, State Vice President for General Telephone Company testified that the cost of extending its Stamford facilities to serve the applicants would be \$5,890.00. Mr. Gehrig testified that he would not be willing to pay such construction charges.
- 4. Section 75-613 of the Nebraska Statutes requires that before granting an application such as this, the Commission must make four specific findings, among them:
 - (4) The applicant or applicants are willing and will be required to pay such construction and other costs and rates as are fair and equitable and will reimburse the affected company for any necessary loss of investment in

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existing property as determined by the Public Service Commission.

5. Applicant has failed to show that his application complies with the above provision of Section 75-613 of the Nebraska Statutes and, therefore, the application should be denied.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-726 be and it is hereby denied.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 16th day of June, 1987.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

//s//James F. Munnelly //s//Eric Rasmussen

//s//Harold D. Simpson

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

ATTEST:

Executive Secretary