

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. C-1148
Pierce Telephone Company, Pierce,)
Nebraska seeking authority to re-)
vise the boundary between its) GRANTED
Pierce exchange and the Norfolk)
exchange served by US West Communi-)
cations, Omaha.) Entered: March 7, 1995

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Pierce Telephone Company (Pierce) of Pierce, Nebraska filed an application to revise the boundary between the Pierce Telephone Company and U.S. West on January 20, 1995. Notice of the application was published in the Omaha Daily Record on January 23, 1995 pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations. No protests were received.

BY THE COMMISSION

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

Pierce Telephone Company is a local exchange carrier operating in northeast Nebraska and is subject to the Commission's general regulation of common carriers. This application is governed specifically by Neb. Rev. Stats. Sec. 75-604 to 75-615 (1990 Reissue). These statutes establish that if the telephone company or companies affected by the proposed boundary exchange do not object to the application (as is the case here), the application may be processed by modified procedure without a hearing. We therefore, consider this matter under that format.

In support of the application, Pierce filed a map, Exhibit C, marking the proposed boundary change. The map shows Mrs. Renea Oestreich would become a customer of the Pierce Telephone Company in the Pierce exchange provided this application is granted.

Mrs. Oestreich, a current U.S. West customer, requested the proposed boundary change. Mr. and Mrs. Oestreich's children attend Pierce schools and the family does most of its business in Pierce and thus, believes Pierce is its community of interest. U.S. West has agreed in writing to release this territory to Pierce.

Upon consideration of the application, the exhibits, and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the boundary between the Pierce exchange served by the Pierce Telephone Company and the Norfolk exchange served

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by U.S. West should be re-drawn as referenced in Exhibit C. The application should be approved.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1148 be and it is hereby granted and Pierce Telephone Company and U.S. West are authorized to modify the boundary between the Pierce exchange and the Norfolk exchange as reflected in Exhibit C.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that both Pierce Telephone Company and U.S. West file with the Commission revised boundary maps reflecting this change within thirty (30) days from the date of this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 7th day of March, 1995.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



Daniel G. Urwiller
Chairman

//s//Rod Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//James F. Munnelly
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

ATTEST:

Robert B. Logsdon
Executive Director