

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application of) Application No. C-1371
Great Plains Communications, Inc. of)
Blair, Nebraska seeking authority) GRANTED
to revise the exchange area boundary)
of its Howell exchange.) Entered: August 20, 1996

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

Great Plains Communications, Inc. of Blair, Nebraska filed an application to revise the boundary between the applicant's Dodge exchange and US West Communications' Howells exchange. The applicant requests the boundary change so that Steve Rushcamp can receive service from the applicant's Dodge exchange. Notice of the application was published in the Omaha Daily Record on July 16, 1996 pursuant to the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

BY THE COMMISSION

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

The Great Plains Telephone Company and US West Communications are local exchange carriers operating in Nebraska and are subject to the Commission's general regulation of common carriers. This application is governed specifically by Neb. Rev. Stats. 75-604 to 75-616 (1994 Reissue). These statutes establish that if the telephone company or companies affected by the proposed boundary exchange do not object to the application, the application may be processed by modified procedure. In this case, no protests were received; therefore, the Commission will proceed pursuant to its Rule of Modified Procedure.

The applicant is a corporation duly organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Nebraska with its principal office located at Blair, Washington County, Nebraska. It is engaged in a general communication business and operates telephone exchanges throughout the state of Nebraska.

The applicant has been requested by Steve Rushcamp to provide telephone service from the applicant's Dodge exchange to Mr. Rushcamp's residence located in Section 14, Township 20, Range 4 East of the 6th P.M., Colfax County, Nebraska. In order for applicant to furnish such service, it is necessary to revise the exchange area boundary between the applicant's Dodge exchange and U S West Communications' Howells exchange.

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The revision of the boundaries will not create a duplication of facilities and will not impair the capability of the telephone company or companies affected to serve the remaining subscribers in any affected exchanges.

Attached is Exhibit "A", a map of that portion of the boundary between the applicant's Dodge exchange and US West Communications' Howells exchange showing the existing boundary line and that portion of the boundary lying between the applicant's Dodge exchange and the US West Communications' Howells exchange showing the proposed boundary line.

Attached is Exhibit "B", a portion of the exchange map showing the particular location of Steve Rushcamp's residence.

Attached is Exhibit "C", a letter from US West Communications wherein said company consents to the change of the exchange boundary and its willingness to relinquish said area to permit the applicant to furnish telephone service to Steve Rushcamp.

Upon consideration of the application and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds the request reasonable, in the public interest and should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1371 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Great Plains Telephone Company and US West Communications remit revised boundary maps to the Commission within thirty (30) days from the date of this Order in accordance with Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part of this order.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 20th day of August, 1996.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



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

Chairman



ATTEST:


Executive Director