

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-1423
of GTE Midwest, Inc. of Grinnell,)
Iowa seeking authority to revise) GRANTED
the exchange area boundary of its)
Battle Creek exchange) Entered: November 25, 1996

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

GTE Midwest, Inc. of Grinnell, Iowa filed an application to revise the boundary between the applicant's Battle Creek exchange and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company's Meadow Grove exchange. The applicant requests the boundary change so that Jan Ahlman can receive service from the applicant's Battle Creek exchange. Notice of the application was published in the Omaha Daily Record on October 17, 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

GTE Midwest, Inc. ("GTE") and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company ("ENTC") 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. Sections 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 has been requested by Jan Ahlman to provide telephone service from the applicant's Battle Creek exchange to the property legally described as the West Corner of Section 9, Township 24, North Range 3. In order for applicant to furnish such service, it is necessary to revise the exchange area boundary between the applicant's Battle Creek exchange and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company's Meadow Grove exchange.

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.

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Attached is Exhibit "A", a map of that portion of the boundary between the applicant's Battle Creek exchange and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company's Meadow Grove exchange showing the existing boundary line and that portion of the boundary lying between the applicant's Battle Creek exchange and the Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company's Meadow Grove exchange showing the proposed boundary line.

Attached is Exhibit "B", a portion of the exchange map showing the particular location of the Jan Ahlman property.

Attached is Exhibit "C", a letter from ENTC 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 Jan Ahlman.

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

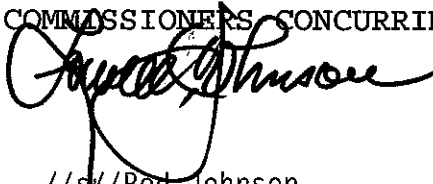
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1423 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the GTE Midwest, Inc. and Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company 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 25th day of November, 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