

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Lowell and ) Application No. C-1580  
Mildred Swanson and the Dalton )  
Telephone Company of Dalton, )  
Nebraska seeking approval of a ) GRANTED  
change of controlling interest in )  
Dalton Telephone Company. ) Entered: August 5, 1997

BY THE COMMISSION:

On June 30, 1997, an application was filed jointly by Lowell and Mildred Swanson and the Dalton Telephone Company, (Dalton Telephone) both of Dalton, Nebraska seeking approval of a change of controlling interest in Dalton Telephone Company. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, July 2, 1997. No protests were filed; therefore, we process this application pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

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

Dalton Telephone is a corporation offering general telecommunications services in Nebraska under authority granted by the Nebraska Public Service Commission. Lowell and Mildred Swanson are shareholders of Dalton Telephone. Lowell Swanson serves as President. Mildred Swanson is Secretary-Treasurer.

On December 13, 1996, Mr. Jack Swaim, a 50% holder of the outstanding shares of stock of Dalton Telephone, died. His shares were thereby transferred to the Estate of Jack Swaim until May 30, 1997 on which date the shares were repurchased by Dalton Telephone and retired to the status of authorized, but unissued shares of stock.

Prior to the repurchase of the common stock held by the Estate of Jack Swaim, the Swansons owned 50% of the outstanding stock of Dalton Telephone. Upon such repurchase, the Swansons own 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Dalton Telephone.

The change in controlling interest will not cause any change in the service or method of operations of Dalton Telephone. The transaction has not caused Dalton Telephone to issue any additional securities, nor incur any indebtedness.

Upon review of the application, the Commission is of the opinion and finds the application should be granted.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application C-1580 be, and it is hereby granted.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 5th day of August, 1997.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:



//s//Rod Johnson

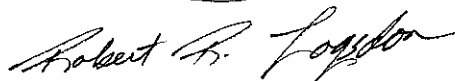
//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

ATTEST:



Executive Director