

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application	)	Application No. C-1815
of HunTel Systems, Inc. of Blair,	)	
Nebraska, Arlington Telephone Company	)	
of Arlington, Nebraska, Blair	)	
Telephone Company of Blair, Nebraska,	)	
Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company of	)	
Blair, Nebraska, and Rock County	)	
Telephone Company of Blair, Nebraska,	)	
seeking authority for the share	)	GRANTED
exchange between HunTel Systems, Inc.,	)	
Arlington Telephone Company, Blair	)	
Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska	)	
Telephone Company, and Rock County	)	
Telephone Company, resulting in a	)	
change of controlling interest of	)	
Arlington Telephone Company, Blair	)	
Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska	)	
Telephone Company, and Rock County	)	
Telephone Company.	)	Entered: June 30, 1998

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed May 15, 1998, HunTel Systems, Inc. (HunTel), Arlington Telephone Company (Arlington), The Blair Telephone Company (Blair), Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company (Eastern), and Rock County Telephone Company (Rock County) jointly seek approval of a share exchange, resulting in a change of controlling interest of Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock County. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, May 19, 1998, pursuant to the Rules of the Commission. No protests were filed.

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

HunTel, Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock County are all corporations organized and existing under the laws of the state of Nebraska. HunTel provides corporate administrative services, such as payroll to several affiliated companies. Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock County hold Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity that were granted by this Commission.

The share exchange will consist of the shareholders of Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock exchanging their respective shares of voting and non-voting common stock for shares of voting common stock of HunTel. Upon consummation of the share exchange, Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock County will become wholly-owned subsidiaries of HunTel. The shareholders of Arlington, Blair, Eastern, and Rock County will be the shareholders of HunTel in approximately the same proportion as they were of the other companies.

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The officers and directors of the respective companies will remain the same after the share exchange. There will be no change in the manner or operation of business of these companies after the share exchange.

This share exchange may benefit the public interest by allowing these companies to grow, improve service to customers, and facilitate new business opportunities.

Based on the evidence, we find the application to be fair and reasonable and in the public interest. The application should be granted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1815 be, and it is hereby, granted.

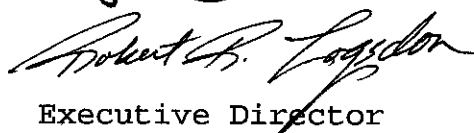
MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of June, 1998.

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

//s//Lowell C. Johnson  
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller