

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of) Application No. C-1994
the residents of the Huntley-Ragan)
exchange, requesting extended area) DISMISSED
service (EAS) to the Wilcox)
exchange, both served by Great)
Plains Communications.) Entered: August 31, 1999

BY THE COMMISSION:

This application, filed by the residents of the Huntley-Ragan exchange, requests authority for extended area service (EAS) from the Huntley-Ragan exchange to the Wilcox exchange, Nebraska. Both exchanges are served by Great Plains Communications.

The application was verified by the Commission to have the requisite number of signatures on February 9, 1999. Notice of this application was published in The Daily Record on February 11, 1999. Usage studies showed that sufficient traffic was carried from the Huntley-Ragan exchange to the Wilcox exchange to process the application.

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

Pursuant to Nebraska Public Service Commission Rule 002.27B2e, Great Plains Communications filed a proposed EAS additive for the Huntley-Ragan exchange. The proposed additive was \$3.85 per line per month for unlimited calling to Wilcox.

Ballots were sent to subscribers in July 1999. A total of 144 ballots were mailed, with 88 ballots being returned. Of the 88 ballots returned, there were 28 in favor of the proposed EAS and 60 votes opposed. Pursuant to Commission rules, since less than 50 percent of subscribers voted in favor of the EAS proposal, the EAS will not go into effect. Further, according to Commission rules, the customer ballot for EAS need not be taken again for 24 months.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-1994 be, and it is hereby, dismissed.

MADE AND ENTERED in Lincoln, Nebraska, on this 31st day of August, 1999.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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Ann C. Beyle

//s//Lowell C. Johnson
//s//Frank E. Landis
//s//Daniel G. Urwiller

Lowell C. Johnson
Chairman

ATTEST:

Robert R. Lagdon
Executive Director