BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Arlington Tele-)	Applicat:	ion N	o. C	-2301
phone Company of Arlington and the Blair Telephone Company of Blair, seeking authority to)	GRANTED			
revise the common exchange area boundary of the Arlington and Blair exchanges.	}	Entered:	July	18,	2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

By application filed May 19, 2000, Arlington Telephone Company of Arlington and Blair Telephone Company of Blair (collectively, applicants), seek authority to revise the common exchange area boundary of the Arlington and Blair exchanges. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on May 22, 2000. No protests were filed; therefore, this application is processed pursuant to the Commission's Rule of Modified Procedure.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

The applicants are each Nebraska corporations authorized to provide local exchange service within their respective exchanges in Nebraska. In response to a request made by several individuals owning property in the Blair exchange, the applicants request that the Commission approve a boundary change which would enable those individuals to be furnished service from the Arlington exchange. The expansion of the Arlington exchange into territory formerly part of the Blair exchange will not create a duplication of facilities and will be in the best interests of the individuals affected by the boundary change. Furthermore, the applicants jointly seek such a boundary change, Blair Telephone Company consents to a release of the individuals to Arlington Telephone Company, and no other party intervened in this proceeding to protest the boundary change. In light of these facts, the Commission finds that the application is in the public interest and should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that Application No. C-2301 be, and it is hereby, granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Arlington Telephone Company and Blair Telephone Company submit revised boundary maps to the Commission within 30 days from the date of this order.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 18th day of July, 2000.

COMMASSIONERS CONCURRING:

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NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ATTEST:

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Deputy Director