BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company of Jackson, Nebraska, and Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. of Hartington, Nebraska, seeking authority to modify the common exchange area boundaries of the Coleridge and Hartington Exchanges.	)	Application No. C-2646 GRANTED Entered: February 20, 2002

BY THE COMMISSION:

By joint application filed December 31, 2001, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company (NNTC) of Jackson, Nebraska, and Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc. (Hartington) of Hartington, Nebraska, seek authority to modify the common exchange area boundaries of the Coleridge and Hartington exchanges. Notice of the application was published in The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on January 2, 2002. 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

NNTC is a Nebraska non-profit corporation with its principal place of business in Jackson, Nebraska. NNTC is authorized by the Commission to operate as a local exchange carrier and interexchange carrier of telecommunications services in certain parts of the state of Nebraska. Hartington is a Nebraska corporation with its principal place of business in Hartington, Nebraska. Hartington is authorized by this Commission to provide local exchange services in certain areas of Nebraska.

In the current application, NNTC has been requested by Gaylen Brummels, with property located in the Hartington exchange, to provide him with telephone service from NNTC's Coleridge exchange. Hartington has been requested by Todd Wiebelhaus, with property located in the Coleridge exchange, to provide him with telephone service from the Hartington exchange.

Both NNTC and Hartington consent to the exchange of subscribers. NNTC agrees to provide telecommunications services to Gaylen Hummels and Hartington agrees to provide telecommunications services to Todd Wiebelhaus.

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Changes of a local exchange territory are governed by *Neb. Rev. Stat.* §§ 75-612 to 75-615. Section 75-612 states that only upon non-consent by all telephone carriers involved shall the Commission hold a public hearing in the application. With no protest filed and with each of the affected local exchange carriers consenting to the boundary change, the Commission processes this application administratively and without a public hearing.

The Commission finds that, in light of the agreement between all parties involved, the application is 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-2646 be, and it is hereby, granted.

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

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20th day of February, 2002.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

//s//Anne C. Boyle
//s//Frank E. Landis

ATTEST:

Acting Executive Director

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