

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Collection and)
Submission of Study Area Boundaries of) Case No. 13-710-TP-UNC
Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers to the)
Federal Communications Commission.)

FINDING AND ORDER

The Commission finds:

- (1) Pursuant to statutory authority, this Commission serves as the administrator of telephone exchange boundaries, boundary changes, and borderline boundaries. Specifically, in Rule 4901:1-6-32(A), Ohio Administrative Code (O.A.C.), the Commission has determined that Commission-maintained telephone exchange boundary maps shall be the official source/documentation of incumbent local exchange carrier (ILEC) service areas and boundaries.
- (2) On November 6, 2012, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released a Report and Order in *Connect America Fund; High-Cost Universal Service Support (Connect America Fund)*, WC Docket No. 10-90, *et al.*, that, *inter alia*, established requirements for the collection of study area boundary data from ILECs or state entities on the ILECs' behalf.
- (3) On February 26, 2013, the FCC's Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) released a subsequent *Order on Reconsideration* that adopted certain modifications and clarifications to the requirements for that data collection. As set forth in the orders, each ILEC must submit data on the boundary(ies) of the area(s) it serves in a state (study area boundary), unless a state commission voluntarily submits this data for the ILECs in its state.
- (4) On March 18, 2013, the Bureau released a *Public Notice* establishing the procedures and deadlines for the submission of ILEC study area boundary information to the FCC. The Bureau encouraged state commissions to submit data on the study area boundaries of the ILECs operating in their respective states. State commissions planning to submit study area boundary

data were directed to file notice of their intent to do so with the FCC by no later than April 12, 2013.

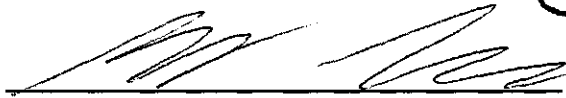
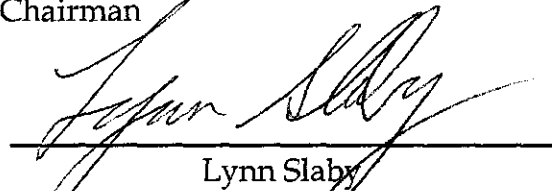
- (5) By entry issued on March 27, 2013, this Commission announced its willingness to submit and certify ILEC study area boundary information to the FCC on the ILECs' behalf and further outlined the information the ILECs would need to submit in order to satisfy the FCC's requirements. This information included the ILEC's name, the ILEC's operating company number (OCN), the 11-character CLLI code for all of the ILEC's switches, and, for each exchange area, the exchange area name, the four-character CLLI code for the exchange area, a statement explaining whether the exchange was acquired as a sale or transfer subject to 47 CFR 54.305, and the study area code for the exchange area as well as an affidavit that the submitted study area boundary information is accurate and correct to the best of the affiant's belief and knowledge. The March 27, 2013, entry further clarified that any ILEC that fails to docket the affidavit and submit the additional information to Staff electronically would be responsible, on its own, for complying with the FCC's study area boundary orders.
- (6) Thirty-one ILECs have submitted the necessary information to the Commission in order for the Commission to submit the information to the FCC on their behalf. The Commission now certifies to the FCC the study area boundary information for the thirty-one ILECs set forth in Attachment A to this order and Staff is authorized to upload electronically the necessary information to the FCC accordingly.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the Commission now certifies the information as discussed in finding (6). It is, further,

ORDERED, That notice of this finding and order be served via the Commission's telephone industry electronic mail listserve and that a copy of this finding and order be served on the thirty-one incumbent local exchange carriers listed in Attachment A and any other interested person of record.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO


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ILEC Name	Study Area Code
The Arthur Mutual Telephone Company	300586
Ayersville Telephone Company	300588
Bascom Mutual Telephone Company	300589
Benton Ridge Telephone Company	300590
Buckland Telephone Company	300591
CenturyTel of Ohio, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink	300630
The Champaign Telephone Company	300594
Chillicothe Telephone Company	300597
Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company	305062
Conneaut Telephone Company	300606
Doylestown Telephone Company	300609
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	300612
Fort Jennings Telephone Company	300614
Frontier North	300615
Frontier Michigan	300682
Glandorf Telephone Company	300619
Kalida Telephone Company	300625
McClure Telephone Company	300598
Middle Point Home Telephone Company	300633
Minford Telephone Company	300634
New Knoxville Telephone Company	300639
Nova Telephone Company	300644
The Ottoville Mutual Telephone Company	300650
Pattersonville Telephone Company	300651
Ridgeville Telephone Company	300654
Sherwood Telephone Company	300656
Sycamore Telephone Company	300658
Telephone Service Company	300659
United Telephone Company of Ohio d/b/a	300661

CenturyLink	
Vaughnsville Telephone Company	300663
Wabash Mutual Telephone Company	300664