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STATE OF INDIANA

INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION

APPLICATION OF WASHINGTON COUNTY)
RURAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE FOR A) CAUSE NO. 44316 VSP 01
CERTIFICATE OF FRANCHISE AUTHORITY)
TO PROVIDE VIDEO SERVICE IN THE) APPROVED: APR 17 2013
STATE OF INDIANA)

ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Presiding Officer:
Marya E. Jones, Administrative Law Judge

On March 8, 2013, Washington County Rural Telephone Cooperative (“Applicant”) filed with the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) its Application for a Certificate of Franchise Authority (“Application”) to provide video service within the State of Indiana pursuant to Ind. Code ch. 8-1-34. On March 8, 2013, Applicant supplemented its Application by filing additional clarifying information as well as a designated service area (“DSA”) Table and DSA Boundary Map.

Based upon information contained in the Application and applicable law, the Commission makes the following findings:

1. Notice and Jurisdiction. Notice of the Application was provided on the Commission’s website in accordance with General Administrative Order 2011-1. The Applicant requests the issuance of a Certificate of Franchise Authority (“CFA”) pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-34-17 and, therefore, the Commission has jurisdiction over the Applicant and the subject of this Cause.

2. Commission Discussion and Findings. The Applicant filed an application for a CFA on the application form prescribed by the Commission and provided information describing the video service that it is proposing to provide in DSA’s within the State of Indiana. A copy of the Applicant’s proposed DSA’s, titled “Exhibit 1,” is attached hereto.

Based upon the information provided by the Applicant in its Application, the Commission finds the Application to be complete and properly verified. Therefore, in accordance with Ind. Code § 8-1-34-17(a), the Commission finds that a CFA for the video services within the designated service area(s) as identified in the Application should be issued to the Applicant and that the Applicant should be authorized to use and occupy public rights-of-way in the delivery of the requested video services, subject to state and local laws and regulations governing the use and occupancy of public rights-of-way and the police powers to enforce such laws and regulations. The granting of this CFA is subject to the Applicant’s lawful provision and operation of video service.

In addition, as a condition of receiving this CFA, the Commission finds the Applicant shall comply with all applicable legal requirements pertaining to the construction and operation of video services authorized by this CFA, including without limitation, the following:

- a. Notice to the Commission of any changes involving the Applicant or this CFA pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-34-20(a);
- b. Ten (10) days advance notice to any unit or unincorporated area included in the designated service area covered by this CFA in which the Applicant does not already provide video service, that the Applicant intends to provide video service in the unit's or unincorporated area's jurisdiction as required by Ind. Code § 8-1-34-20(b);
- c. Advance notice to customers in the event of a change in rates and charges for video service in accordance with Ind. Code § 8-1-34-20(c)(1);
- d. Advance notice to customers in the event the Applicant will cease to offer video service or any specific video programming that it currently offers in any of the Applicant's designated service areas in Indiana pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-34-20(c)(2);
- e. Annual filing, by March 1 of each year, of a report indicating changes (e.g., deletions and additions) in video programming or other programming service during the previous calendar year pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-34-20(a)(6);
- f. Biennial filing, by March 1 of each odd-numbered year, with the Commission of updated maps indicating, at the census block group level, the portion of authorized designated service areas in which the Applicant is actually offering video service or a statement indicating that no changes occurred during the prior two years pursuant to Ind. Code §§ 8-1-34-16(e) and 8-1-34-20(a)(7);
- g. Ensure that access to video service is not denied to any group of potential residential video subscribers because of the income of the residents of the local area in which such group resides in accordance with Ind. Code § 8-1-34-28(b) and 47 U.S.C. § 541(a)(3);
- h. Payment and performance of any rights, duties, and obligations owed to any private person as required by Ind. Code § 8-1-34-22(c);
- i. Payment of all fees owed to units and unincorporated areas included within Applicant's service areas as required by Ind. Code § 8-1-34-24; and
- j. Compliance with any requirements that may be imposed by the Commission regarding channels for public, educational and governmental programming ("PEG Channels") as set forth in Ind. Code §§ 8-1-34-25, 26, 26.5, and 27 that may be required at the time of, or subsequent to, issuance of the Certificate by

Commission rules, upon petition of a unit or an unincorporated area included in the Applicant's designated service areas or upon the Commission's own motion.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED BY THE INDIANA UTILITY REGULATORY COMMISSION that:

1. Subject to the Findings set forth in this Order, the Applicant, Washington County Rural Telephone Cooperative, is hereby granted a Certificate of Franchise Authority to provide the requested video services in the Applicant's designated service areas within the State of Indiana.

2. Pursuant to Ind. Code § 8-1-34-17(a)(2), Applicant is granted authority to use and occupy public rights-of-way, subject to state and local laws and regulations and the police powers of local units to enforce such local laws governing the use and occupancy of public rights-of-way.

3. The authority granted in Order paragraphs 1 and 2 above is subject to the Applicant's lawful provision and operation of the video service.

4. This Order shall be effective on and after the date of its approval.

ATTERHOLT, MAYS AND ZIEGNER CONCUR; BENNETT AND LANDIS ABSENT:

APPROVED: APR 17 2013

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Order as approved.

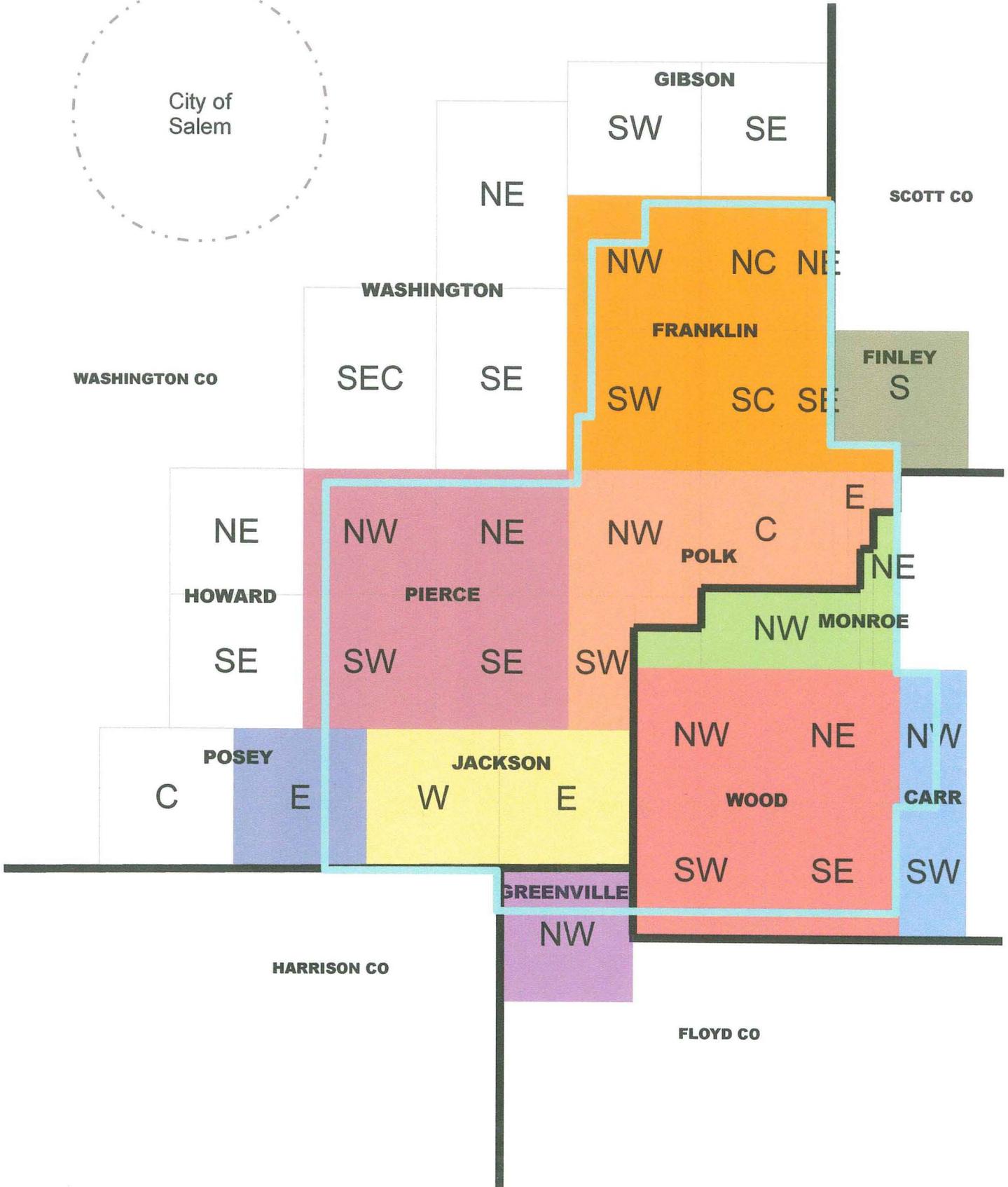


Shala M. Coe
Acting Secretary to the Commission

EXHIBIT 1

Table 1 – Washington County Rural Telephone Cooperative DSA

DSA	County(s) / Township(s)	Local Units	Zip Codes
Washington County Rural Telephone Cooperative d/b/a Tele-Media Solutions	Clark / Carr	Unincorporated	47106 47126 47164 47165 47167
	Clark / Monroe	Unincorporated	
	Clark / Wood	New Providence (Borden) Unincorporated	
	Floyd / Greenville	Unincorporated	
	Scott / Finley	Unincorporated	
	Washington / Franklin	Unincorporated	
	Washington / Jackson	Unincorporated	
	Washington / Pierce	Unincorporated	
	Washington / Polk	New Pekin Unincorporated	
Washington / Posey	Unincorporated		



Designated Service Area Boundary
County Line