# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON

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In the Matter of	)	
	)	ORDER
THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION	)	
OF OREGON	)	
	)	
Staff's reallocation of local exchange	)	
telecommunications service territory for	)	
Monroe Telephone Company.	)	

## DISPOSITION: REALLOCATION APPROVED

The 2005 Legislature changed Oregon's territory allocation law for telecommunications utilities and telecommunications cooperatives. The new law allocates local exchange telecommunications service territory as a geographic area within boundaries set forth in exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission. This replaces the old "metes and bounds" descriptions. ORS 759.500(1).

Section 27, chapter 232, Oregon Laws 2005, directs the Commission

to:

Reallocate every allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory to a telecommunications utility, cooperative corporation or municipality to whom the commission had previously allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory. Allocations granted by the commission pursuant to this subsection shall replace all allocations to telecommunications utilities, cooperative corporations or municipalities granted by the commission prior to January 1, 2006.

Staff recommends the reallocation of Monroe Telephone Company's (Monroe) local exchange telecommunications service territory using the boundaries of exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission, as set forth in Table 1 of Appendix A, replacing all previous territory allocations for Monroe.

#### **ORDER**

IT IS ORDERED that Monroe Telephone Company's local exchange telecommunications service territory is reallocated using the boundaries of exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1 contained in Appendix A, replacing all previous territory allocations for Monroe Telephone Company.

Made, entered, and effective

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Lee Beyer
Chairman

Ray Baum
Commissioner

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A request for rehearing or reconsideration must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the date of service of this order. The request must comply with the requirements in OAR 860-014-0095. A copy of any such request must also be served on each party to the proceeding as provided by OAR 860-013-0070(2). A party may appeal this order by filing a petition for review with the Court of Appeals in compliance with ORS 183.480-183.484.

ORDER NO. 07-552

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ITEM NO. CA12

# PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON STAFF REPORT PUBLIC MEETING DATE: December 4, 2007

REGULAR	CONSENT X EFFECTIVE DATE N/A
DATE:	November 27, 2007
то:	Public Utility Commission
FROM:	Marlene Gorsuch
THROUGH:	Lee Sparling, Dave Booth and Kay Marinos
SUBJECT:	OREGON PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION STAFF: Reallocation of Local Exchange Telecommunications Service Territory for Monroe Telephone Company.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Reallocate Monroe Telephone Company's local exchange telecommunications service territory using the boundaries of the exchange map filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1. This reallocation replaces all previous territory allocations for Monroe Telephone Company (Monroe).

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The 2005 Legislature changed Oregon's territory allocation law for telecommunications utilities and telecommunications cooperatives. The new law allocates local exchange telecommunications service territory (service territory) as a geographic area within boundaries set forth in exchange maps filed with and approved by the Commission. This replaces the old "metes and bounds" descriptions. See ORS 759.500(1).

Section 27, chapter 232, Oregon Laws 2005, subsection (1) directs the Commission to: "Reallocate every allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory to a telecommunications utility, cooperative corporation or municipality to whom the Commission had previously allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory. Allocations granted by the commission pursuant to this subsection shall replace all allocations to telecommunications utilities, cooperative corporations or municipalities granted by the commission prior to January 1, 2006."



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The Commission previously allocated local exchange telecommunications service territory to Monroe in an order issued in 1988. Staff reviewed the Commission's records to identify all Monroe territory allocation orders issued prior to January 1, 2006, and currently in effect. Staff then determined that Monroe's approved local exchange map is encompassed in whole or in part by the metes and bounds description in this previous territory allocation order.

Monroe has a Commission-approved map on file for the company's local exchange, Monroe. Staff concluded that Monroe's map is wholly or partially within the metes and bounds description in the company's previous territory allocation order.

On September 13, 2007, Staff sent Monroe a letter describing staff's conclusions in detail, and asking Monroe to make corrections, if any, by October 4, 2007. Monroe confirmed staff's basic conclusion regarding the relationship between the previous territory allocation order and the approved local exchange map.

Table 1 describes reallocation for Monroe in detail. Reallocations are identified by exchange name and the effective date of the corresponding Commission-approved exchange map. Previous allocation is identified by Commission order number.

### TABLE 1

Reallocation		Previous Allocation
Exchange Name	Approved Exchange Map (Effective Date)	(Commission Order)
Monroe	November 28, 1986	Order No. 88-716

#### PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Monroe Telephone Company's local exchange telecommunications service territory be reallocated using the boundaries of the exchange map filed with and approved by the Commission as set forth in Table 1, replacing all previous territory allocations for Monroe Telephone Company.

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