BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

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In the Matter of)	
HELIX TELEPHONE COMPANY)	
)	ORDER
Application for the Allocation of Certain)	
Territory.)	

DISPOSITION: APPLICATION APPROVED

On April 3, 2008, Helix Telephone Company (Helix) submitted an application requesting that the Public Utility Commission of Oregon (Commission) formally allocate to Helix the exclusive right to provide telecommunications service in a certain region. The precise area in question lies just south of the existing Meacham Exchange; the area is more accurately defined by the map provided as Exhibit 1 of the application. Notice of the proposed allocation was published in The Observer in La Grande. No objections were received.

The application was submitted under ORS 759.535 and OAR 860-025-0025.¹ ORS 759.535(1) requires an applicant desiring to serve an unserved area to provide an exchange map showing the requested territory to be allocated. The applicant attached a sufficient map as Exhibit 1. ORS 759.535(2) also places procedural obligations upon the Commission that operate as conditions precedent to its disposition of the application. The Commission met these conditions through publication of the notice.

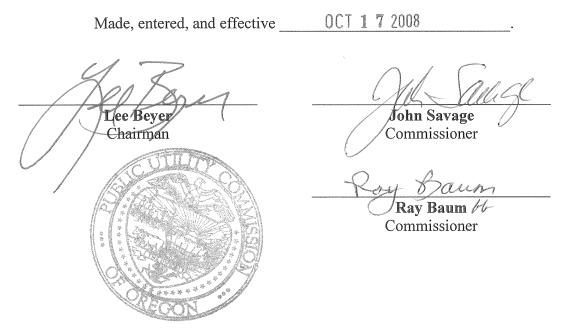
In its report, the Commission's Staff recommends approval of the requested allocation to Helix. Having heard no objection in response to the notice provided, the Commission agrees with Staff. We approve the map as provided, and allocate the territory described therein to Helix.

¹ As a small telecommunications company, Helix is subject to the OARs found in Chapter 860, Division 34. *See* ORS 759.040. However, the relevant provision is identical in this context.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. The map filed by Helix Telephone Company, seeking the allocation of a certain local exchange telecommunications service territory, is approved.
- 2. The territory described in the map provided as Exhibit 1 is allocated to Helix Telephone Company as part of the Meacham exchange.



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.