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Mr. D. Michael Hearst,
Secretary, Missouri Public Service
Commission
Jefferson City, Missouri 65101

In Re: The Nodaway Valley Telephone
Company

Dear Mr. Hearst:

Enclosed you will find an Application for filing on behalf of The Nodaway Valley Telephone Company. By copy of this letter, a copy of the enclosed Application has been sent to Mr. William Barvick, Public Counsel.

The Application is being filed contemporaneously with an Application by Century Telephone Enterprises, Inc., to acquire all of the common stock of The Nodaway Valley Telephone Company. If for some reason the acquisition of the common stock of Nodaway Valley Telephone Company should not be consummated, Nodaway Valley Telephone Company would not exercise the authority herein sought.

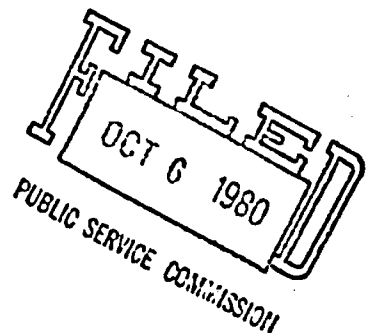
Very truly yours,

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By: *Kevin A. Stinson*

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cc: Mr. William Barvick,
Public Counsel;
Mr. Joe H. Dixon, Jr.;
Mr. Clarke M. Williams;
Mr. Robert R. King.



BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

IN The Matter Of The Applica-)
tion of The Nodaway Valley)
Telephone Company To Maintain)
Its Records Outside The State)
Of Missouri.)

Case No. T0-81-113

A P P L I C A T I O N

Comes now The Nodaway Valley Telephone Company (hereinafter referred to as "Applicant"), and for its Application to maintain certain of its records in Monroe, Louisiana, states as follows:

1. That Applicant is a Corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri and that it is engaged in the furnishing of local and long distance telephone service at Maitland and Skidmore, Missouri, and surrounding areas pursuant to certificates of convenience and necessity issued by this Commission.

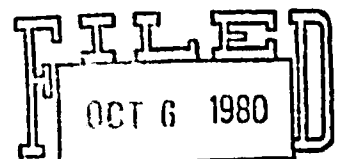
2. That it makes this Application pursuant to Chapter 386, RSMo., particularly Section 386.280; and correspondence with reference thereto may be made as follows:

Louis W. Cowan,
Attorney at Law
Lilley & Cowan
626 Woodruff Building
Springfield, Missouri 65805;
Telephone No. 417-862-0596.

Mr. Robert R. King, President,
The Nodaway Valley Telephone Company,
10 Richards Road
Kansas City, Missouri 64116

Mr. Clarke M. Williams, President,
Century Telephone Enterprises, Inc.,
P. O. Box 4065,
Monroe, Louisiana 71203,
Telephone No. 318-387-5541.

3. That contemporaneously herewith Century Telephone Enterprises, Inc., Monroe, Louisiana, (herein referred to as "Century") is filing an Application to acquire, take, and hold more than 10% of the common stock now issued and outstanding of this Applicant; that if the Commission approves the acquisition of the aforesaid common stock by Century, Applicant expects to perform all of its accounting and general management activities in the executive offices of



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Century in Monroe, Louisiana; and that for the efficient operation of the Applicant and its recordkeeping, it is necessary that its accounting, property, and other records be kept in the aforesaid executive offices in Monroe, Louisiana.

4. That the maintenance of Applicant's records in the executive offices of Century in Monroe, Louisiana, will not be contrary to the public interest and will permit a more efficient and economical operation of Applicant, inuring to the benefit of all interested parties, including the shareholders of Applicant, its customers and the general public.

5. That if Applicant is granted permission to maintain the above described records in its executive offices in Monroe, Louisiana, such records will be made available to this Commission and its staff upon request and further at the request of the Commission, such records will be promptly returned to the State of Missouri.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays for an Order of this Commission authorizing it to maintain at Monroe, Louisiana, its company records, including accounting records, property records, and such other records as it deems necessary for the efficient and economical operation of the Company, all subject to approval of this Commission of the acquisition of more than 10% of the common stock of this Applicant by Century Telephone Enterprises, Inc.

THE NODAWAY VALLEY TELEPHONE COMPANY

By: _____

Robert R. King

Louis W. Cowan

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STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss.
County of Holt)

Robert R. King, having first been duly sworn, upon his oath states that the matters and things contained in the foregoing

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Application are true and correct, according to his best information and belief.

Robert R. King

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 29th day of September, 1980.

Barbara J. Sheplett
Notary Public

My Commission expires: March 24, 1980