

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of)
Chariton Valley Communications)
Corporation for Expansion of its)
Designation as a Telecommunications)
Carrier Eligible for Federal Universal)
Service Support pursuant to the)
Telecommunications Act of 1996)

File No. CA-2021-0058

ORDER DIRECTING NOTICE, SETTING INTERVENTION DEADLINE, AND DIRECTING FILING OF STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Issue Date: December 11, 2020

Effective Date: December 11, 2020

On December 10, 2020, Chariton Valley Communications Corporation applied to expand its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) to seek lifeline support from the Missouri Universal Service Fund (MoUSF) for voice service and broadband service, if available, and to participate in the disabled program.

Notice of the application shall be sent to all incumbent and competitive local exchange carriers certificated to provide service in Missouri. The Commission will also set a deadline for intervention requests and direct the filing of a recommendation by the Staff of the Commission.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The Commission's Data Center shall send notice of this application to all eligible telecommunications carriers certificated to provide service in Missouri.
2. Any request to intervene shall be filed with the Commission no later than January 5, 2021. Such applications shall be filed with:

Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

or use the Commission's electronic filing and information service.

3. The Staff of the Commission shall file a recommendation regarding this application no later than January 25, 2021.

4. This order shall be effective when issued.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Charles Hatcher, Regulatory Law Judge,
by delegation of authority pursuant to
Section 386.240, RSMo 2016.

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,
on this 11th day of December, 2020.

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE OF MISSOURI**

Application of Chariton Valley)	
Communications Corporation for)	
Expansion of its Designation as a)	
Telecommunications Carrier Eligible)	Case No. CA-2021-0058
for Federal Universal Service Support)	
pursuant to the Telecommunications)	
Act of 1996)	

**CHARITON VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION
APPLICATION FOR EXPANSION OF DESIGNATION
AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER**

Comes now Chariton Valley Communications Corporation (Chariton Valley), and hereby applies to the Missouri Public Service Commission to expand Chariton Valley Communication's Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETC) designation. In support of this Application, Chariton Valley states as follows:

1. Chariton Valley Communications Corporation was previously named Chariton Valley Telecom Corporation. Effective December 31, 2016 Chariton Valley Telecom Corporation's affiliate, Chariton Valley Communication Corporation, was merged into Chariton Valley Telecom Corporation as the surviving corporation, which surviving Corporation was renamed Chariton Valley Communications Corporation.

2. Chariton Valley is an alternative or competitive local exchange carrier ("CLEC") certified by the Commission to provide basic local telecommunications services in the State of Missouri in Case No. TA-2002-238. Chariton Valley's street address and principal place of business is 1213 East Briggs Drive, Macon, Missouri 63552. Chariton Valley's telephone number is (660) 395-9600, and its facsimile number is (660) 395-4403. Chariton Valley is a

Missouri corporation in good standing, and does business utilizing its corporate name. A copy of a Certificate of Good Standing from the Missouri Secretary of State is Attachment A hereto.

3. All Correspondence, pleadings, notices, orders, and decisions in this matter should be addressed to:

Kirby Underberg
Chief Executive Officer
Chariton Valley Communications Corporation
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and to

Craig S. Johnson
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(573) 606-6777

4. Chariton Valley has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment, or decision has occurred within three years of the date of this application.

5. Chariton Valley has no annual report or assessment fees that are overdue.

6. Chariton Valley hereby certify that neither it, nor any other member of this filing party, has had communications with a Commissioner, Commission Advisor, Regulatory Law Judge, member of the General Counsel or any member of their support team in the sixty (60) days prior to the filing date of this Application regarding any substantive issue included in this filing.

7. Chariton Valley is wholly-owned by its parent company, Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation, a Missouri ILEC that is also an ETC. Chariton Valley Communications Corporation and Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation share common management, and both companies have received funds from the federal USF and Mo USF.

8. The officers or directors of Chariton Valley are:

Gary Scheiderer, President and Director

Melissa Cole, Vice President and Director

Holly Wooldridge, Secretary and Director

Charlotte Miller, Treasurer and Director

Kelly Linneman, Director

Junior Pagliai, Director

Bob Maddox, Director

Mitch Peiffer, Director

Rob Rice, Director

Kirby Underberg, Chief Executive Officer

Tina Jordan, Chief Financial Officer

Ryan Johnson, Chief Operating Officer.

9. No matter has been brought in the last 10 years by any state, federal or law enforcement agency against Chariton Valley involving fraud, deceit, perjury, stealing or omission or misstatement of fact against Chariton Valley or any person or entity with 10% or more ownership in Chariton Valley, or any affiliated company under common management or ownership.

10. The FCC has issued no decision to Chariton Valley waiving any ETC requirement.
11. Information as to Chariton Valley service and rates are set forth in tariffs. Chariton Valley information is also available on the website <https://www.cvalley.net/>.
12. Chariton Valley meets the requirements of, and hereby commits to continue to comply with the requirements of the FCC for ETCs as set forth in 47 CFR 54.201 and 47 CFR 54.202.
13. Chariton Valley will also comply with the ETC requirements identified in 47 CFR 240-31.015.
14. Chariton Valley intends to seek lifeline support from the MoUSF for voice service, and for broadband service when and if the MoUSF makes support for broadband service available, and also intends to participate in the disabled program.
15. Chariton Valley obtained its original ETC designation by Order of the Commission in case TA-2012-0128.
16. Chariton Valley obtained an expansion of its ETC designation of the Commission in case CA-2019-0108. Chariton Valley obtained this expansion of its ETC designation after Chariton Valley was awarded federal funds pursuant to the Connect America Fund 2nd Auction (CAF II).
17. Chariton Valley has recently been awarded federal RDOF support to build broadband facilities in the areas designated in Attachment B hereto.

18. Chariton Valley's broadband deployment for which RDOF support has been awarded consists of buried fiber-to-the-home via Calnex Ethernet Service Access Platform providing a Gigabit Tier and Low Latency.

19. Chariton Valley commits to notifying the Commission of any changes to company contact information.

20. Chariton Valley is certificated with the Commission and is compliant with all reporting and assessment obligations.

21. Chariton Valley is compliant with the contribution obligations to the federal USF.

Wherefore, on the basis of this verified Application, Chariton Valley Communications Corporation requests that the Commission enter an order expanding its ETC designation to include the RDOF areas awarded by the FCC. These areas are listed in Attachment B hereto.

By 

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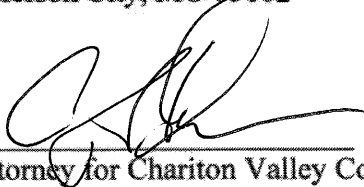
ATTORNEY FOR CHARITON VALLEY
COMMUNICATIONS CORP.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned does hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the foregoing was electronically mailed, this 10 th day of December, 2020, to the following parties:

General Counsel
Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, MO 65102

General Counsel
Office of the Public Counsel
P.O. Box 7800
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Attorney for Chariton Valley Communications Corp.

VERIFICATION

I, Kirby Underberg, having been duly sworn upon my oath, that I am the Chief Executive Officer of Chariton Valley Communications Corporation, the Applicant, and am authorized by the Applicant to execute the foregoing Application and to make this Affidavit on its behalf, and that the matters and things state in the foregoing Application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Kirby J. Underberg

Kirby Underberg

STATE OF MISSOURI)
)
COUNTY OF MACON)

Subscribed and sworn to me, a Notary Public, on this 10th day of December, 2020.



AUDRA E. LINEBAUGH
My Commission Expires
May 27, 2022
Chariton County
Commission #14434277

Audra E. Linebaugh
Notary Public

My commission expires May 27, 2022


STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City, Missouri, this 11th day of December, 2020.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

Distributed to All Eligible Telecommunications Carriers Certificated to Provide Service in Missouri.

Recipients listed above with a valid e-mail address will receive electronic service. Recipients without a valid e-mail address will receive paper service.