

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:  1-800-RECONEX, INC., d/b/a U.S. TEL	DOCKET NO. 199 IAC 39.2
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**ORDER DESIGNATING ELIGIBLE CARRIER**

(Issued October 20, 2008)

On September 5, 2008, 1-800-Reconex, Inc., d/b/a U.S. Tel (Reconex), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) an application for universal service eligible telecommunications carrier status in the wire centers of Zones 1 and 2 of Qwest Communications (Qwest). Reconex asks that the Board designate it as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) pursuant to 199 IAC 39.2 in the exchanges identified in Reconex's Exhibit B attached to this order. Reconex states that it intends to provide universal service fund-supported services throughout the identified service area. No objections have been filed regarding this application.

Board rule 39.2 provides a means by which the Board can designate Iowa telecommunications companies to be eligible to receive funding from the universal service fund, as defined by the Telecommunications Act of 1996, 47 U.S.C. § 254. Under the Act (and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations implementing the Act), the Board must determine that a carrier meets certain service requirements before it may be designated an ETC as set forth in subrule 39.2(3). The carrier must, among other things:

- 1) Offer the services supported by the federal universal service fund;
- 2) Offer the services using its own facilities or a combination of its own facilities and resale (47 C.F.R. § 54.201(c) provides that "own facilities" includes purchased unbundled network elements);
- 3) Advertise the availability of the supported services; and
- 4) Offer the services throughout the designated service area.

In its request for designation, Reconex states that it satisfies each of the requirements listed in 199 IAC 39.2(3). Based on Reconex's unopposed representations and the supporting information filed by Reconex, the Board finds that Reconex offers the services supported by the federal universal service fund in the manner required by 199 IAC 39.2(3) and will comply with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules throughout its designated service area.

Reconex also states that it will provide to the Board, for informational purposes, a description of its service and rate plan(s) when it commences providing universal service fund offerings to Iowa customers. The Board finds these commitments by Reconex adequate to assure that public interest concerns will be satisfied.

The Board also notes that it has recently adopted amendments to the certification and reporting requirements for ETCs. Reconex is required to file a certification regarding its use of universal service funds with the Board in addition to

various reports. The certification and reports must be made pursuant to 199 IAC 39 as described in Docket No. RMU-06-1, In re: Eligibility, Certification, and Reporting Requirements for Eligible Telecommunications Carriers [199 IAC 39].

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. Eligible telecommunications carrier status is granted to 1-800-Reconex, Inc., d/b/a U.S. Tel, as requested in its application filed September 5, 2008, subject to the voluntary commitments described in the body of this order.
2. The designated service area for 1-800-Reconex, Inc., d/b/a U.S. Tel, shall be the exchanges identified in Exhibit B attached to this order.
3. The Executive Secretary of the Utilities Board shall mail copies of this order to 1-800-Reconex, Inc., d/b/a U.S. Tel, the Universal Service Administration Company, the Federal Communications Commission Universal Service Branch, and the Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Darrell Hanson

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

## Exhibit B

### Wire Centers

AMESIAWS	IA	Zone 1
BRBGIACO	IA	Zone 1
CDRRIADT	IA	Zone 1
CLMRIACO	IA	Zone 1
CDRRIANO	IA	Zone 1
DESMIAAW	IA	Zone 1
DESMIADT	IA	Zone 1
DESMIANW	IA	Zone 1
DESMIASO	IA	Zone 1
DESMIAWS	IA	Zone 1
DVNPIADT	IA	Zone 1
DVNPIAEA	IA	Zone 1
SHNDIACO	IA	Zone 1
SXCYIAMS	IA	Zone 1
WLCTIACO	IA	Zone 1
AMESIATC	IA	Zone 2
ANKNIACO	IA	Zone 2
ATLTIATC	IA	Zone 2
BOONIACO	IA	Zone 2
BURLIATC	IA	Zone 2
CDFLIACO	IA	Zone 2
CDRRIAMN	IA	Zone 2
CDDRIAWS	IA	Zone 2
CHRKIACO	IA	Zone 2
CLRIIACO	IA	Zone 2
CLTNIACC	IA	Zone 2
CLTNIACO	IA	Zone 2
CNBLIAMW	IA	Zone 2
CNBLIAWA	IA	Zone 2
CRRLIATC	IA	Zone 2
DCRHIACO	IA	Zone 2
DESMIAEA	IA	Zone 2
DUBQIATC	IA	Zone 2
DVNPIANE	IA	Zone 2
DVNPIANW	IA	Zone 2
EGGVIACO	IA	Zone 2
FTMDIATC	IA	Zone 2
GRNRIACO	IA	Zone 2
INDNIACO	IA	Zone 2
INDPIACO	IA	Zone 2
IWCYIATC	IA	Zone 2
KEKKIACO	IA	Zone 2

MLFRIACO	IA	Zone 2
MRTWIACO	IA	Zone 2
MSCTIACO	IA	Zone 2
MSCYIATC	IA	Zone 2
OLWNIATC	IA	Zone 2
ONAWIACO	IA	Zone 2
OSKLIACO	IA	Zone 2
OTMIATC	IA	Zone 2
PRRYIACO	IA	Zone 2
RDOKIACO	IA	Zone 2
SHLNIATC	IA	Zone 2
SPLKIACO	IA	Zone 2
SPNCIATC	IA	Zone 2
SXCYIADT	IA	Zone 2
SXCYIALD	IA	Zone 2
WBCYIATC	IA	Zone 2
WHMRIACO	IA	Zone 2
WTRLIADT	IA	Zone 2