

(Decision No. C87-1468)

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF CENTEL CORPORATION FOR A)	APPLICATION NO. 38626
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE)	
AND NECESSITY TO EXERCISE RIGHTS)	COMMISSION ORDER GRANTING A
UNDER A FRANCHISE GRANTED TO IT)	CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE)	CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO
TOWN OF CHERAW IN OTERO COUNTY,)	EXERCISE FRANCHISE RIGHTS
COLORADO.)	

October 21, 1987

STATEMENT

BY THE COMMISSION:

On September 25, 1987, Centel Corporation filed Application No. 38626 for an order granting it a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise franchise rights in the Town of Cheraw, Otero County, Colorado.

Notice of the application was given by the Commission on September 30, 1987, in accordance with § 40-6-108(2), C.R.S. No protest, objection, or petition to intervene or otherwise participate in the proceeding has been filed by any person within the time prescribed.

Accordingly, the application is noncontested and unopposed and, under § 40-6-109(5), C.R.S., and Rule 24 of the Commission's Rules of practice and procedure properly may be determined without the necessity of a formal oral hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

THE COMMISSION FINDS:

1. Centel Corporation is an operating public utility subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission and is engaged, in the business of generating electrical energy by steam power plants located at Pueblo, in Pueblo County, Colorado; at Canon City, in Fremont County, Colorado; and at Rocky Ford, in Otero County, Colorado, and in transmitting and distributing electrical energy over transmission and distribution lines in the Counties of Pueblo, Otero, Bent, Crowley, El Paso, Fremont, Teller, and Custer, in the State of Colorado. Centel Corporation sells electrical energy for light, heat, power and all other purposes either directly to consumers or wholesales the energy to other public utilities for distribution and sale to consumers.

2. Centel Corporation requests the Commission to issue an order granting it a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise franchise rights in the Town of Cheraw, Otero County, Colorado. Ordinance No. 87-1 was passed and adopted by the Trustees of the Town of Cheraw on July 8, 1987.

3. Centel Corporation has been providing electrical energy to the Town of Cheraw and its inhabitants under the terms and conditions of the franchise granted in Ordinance No. 87-1 adopted July 8, 1987.

4. Centel Corporation presently provides electrical energy to the Town of Cheraw, Colorado. No other public utility has any plant or facilities for the generation of electrical energy or any line or lines for the transmission or distribution of electrical energy in the Town.

5. In further support of this application and in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, Exhibits A through D were included with the application.

Exhibit A is a copy of the Franchise Ordinance.

Exhibit B is a map showing generally the territory covered by Centel Corporation's electrical generating and transmission system.

Exhibit C is a map showing generally its transmission and distribution lines within the Town of Cheraw, and the streets, avenues, alleys, and public places of the Town in, upon or along which it is proposed to exercise the right or privilege granted by the ordinance.

6. A true copy of Centel Corporation's Certificate of Incorporation has been filed with this Commission.

7. The public convenience and necessity will be served and the public interest requires the exercise of the franchise rights sought.

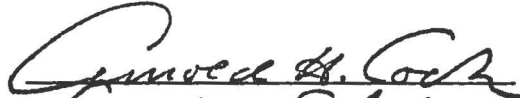

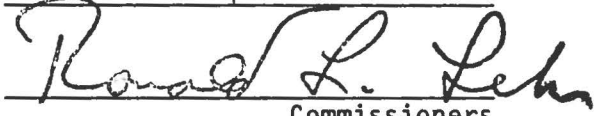
THEREFORE THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

Centel Corporation is granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity to exercise franchise rights in the Town of Cheraw, Colorado, in accordance with Ordinance No. 87-1, passed by the Trustees of the Town of Cheraw, on July 8, 1987.

This Order is effective forthwith.

DONE IN OPEN MEETING the 21st day of October 1987.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO




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