We further state that we are in no way interested in the title to the above described real estate, but make this affidavit at the request of the present owner thereof for the purpose of establishing of record the facts above set forth.

W A Cord
M. Breen

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by the above named affiants this 8 day of APRIL, A. D. 1948.

Harry F. Anderson Notary Public
(Notarial Seal) in and for Madison County, Iowa.

State of Iowa, Madison County.) ss:

I, Wilma M. Wade, County Recorder in and for said county and state aforesaid, hereby certify that the foregoing affidavit was filed in my office by the owner in possession and recorded and entered on the records thereof on the 9 day of April, A. D. 1948.

COMPARED

Wilma M. Wade, County Recorder
of Madison County, Iowa.

Buffalo Cooperative Telephone Association #1776 To The Public

#1776
Fee $1.50 VC

Filed for record the 10 day of April A. D. 1948 at 10:15 o'clock A. M.
Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
of
BUFFALO COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION

We, whose names are hereto subscribed, do hereby associate ourselves as a body corporate, under the provisions of Chapter 499, Code of Iowa 1946, as an association, assuming all the powers, rights and privileges granted such associations by law and do hereby adopt the following articles of incorporation.

ARTICLE I.
NAME AND PLACE OF BUSINESS

The name of this association shall be: BUFFALO CO-OPERATIVE TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION

Place of business: Winterset, Madison County, Iowa.

ARTICLE II.
PURPOSES AND POWERS

The purpose of this association shall be:

1. To furnish telephone service to its members at the lowest practicable cost. To construct, purchase, lease or acquire in any manner and to own, hold, operate, use, maintain, sell or dispose of telephone lines and all equipment and accessories necessary to the purposes herein stated.

2. To purchase, lease or acquire in any manner and to own, hold, use, sell, mortgage or dispose of any real or personal property, or any interest therein, deemed necessary or appropriate to the purposes of this association.

3. To acquire, hold, use and exercise, and to the extent permitted by law, to sell, pledge, hypothecate and in any manner dispose of franchises, rights, privileges, licenses, rights of way and easements appropriate to the purposes of the association.

4. To borrow money and otherwise contract indebtedness and give any suitable form of obligation or security therefor.

5. To purchase its exchange service from other telephone exchange or exchanges, if directed by 51% of its members present at any regular meeting.

ARTICLE III.
DURATION

The corporate life of the association shall be perpetual, unless changed by amendment to these articles or terminated by dissolution.

ARTICLE VI.
INCORPORATORS

Dated this 22nd day of March, 1948.

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
T J Crawford	Farming	Winterset Iowa
F. M. Cleveland	Farming	Winterset Iowa
Harold Gordon	Farmer	Winterset Iowa
Elmer E. Libby	Farming	Winterset Iowa

Robert E Dunn	Farming	Winterset Ia
Geo. W. Pilmer	Farming	Winterset Ia.
Dick G Mapes	Farming	Winterset Ia

ARTICLE V
MANAGEMENT

The affairs of this association shall be managed by a board of not more than seven and not less than five directories, to be elected annually by and from the membership.

The board of directors shall meet immediately following each annual meeting of the members and at other intervals fixed by the By-Laws. and shall possess and perform all the duties usually assumed by such a body.

The board shall elect from its members such officers as it deems necessary, said officers to serve for terms of one year, the board shall fill all vacancies in its membership or in the officiary. Any officer or director may be removed by vote of a majority of all the members, at any meeting called for that purpose.

Until the first annual meeting the following persons shall serve as directors:

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
T. J. Crawford	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
Harold Gordon	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
Dick G. Mapes	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
Gene Dunn	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
George W. Pilmer	Farming	Winterset, Iowa

The following persons shall serve as officers until their successors have been elected and have qualified:

NAME	OCCUPATION	ADDRESS
President T. J. Crawford	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
Vice-Pres. George W. Pilmer	Farming	Winterset, Iowa
Sec.-Treas. Gene Dunn	Farming	Winterset, Iowa

ARTICLE VI
MEMBERSHIP

This association is organized as a non-stock association and participation therein shall be on a membership basis. Any individual acting for himself or as an accredited representative of an association, corporation, partnership or organization which requires the services rendered by this association and who lives within one-fourth mile of the lines of this association may become a member of this association by purchasing a membership in the association for the fixed issuing price, which shall be Fifteen dollars ($15.00) by agreeing to purchase from the association the amount of service specified by the board of directors as a minimum of patronage and by agreeing to comply with and to be bound by these articles of incorporation, the by-laws of the association and such rules and regulations as may be adopted by the board of directors.

All members shall be entitled to like rights and privileges in the purchase of the services of the association. They shall be subject to uniform service charges or assessments which shall be fixed and adjusted from time to time by the board of directors.

Each applicant for membership shall furnish the board of directors satisfactory proof of his eligibility. Certificates of membership shall be issudd with the approval of a majority of the board of directors and membership shall be non-transferable.

The board of directors, may, by a two-thirds vote forfeit the membership of a member who ceases to patronize the association, moves from the territory or community in which the association operates or violates any provision of the articles of incorporation or by-laws relating to the obligations of members.

The private property of members shall not be liable for any of the debts of the association.

ARTICLE VII.
DISTRIBUTION OF EARNINGS

A. At the close of each fiscal year, the directors shall dispose of the earnings of the association, in excess of its operating expenses as follows:

To provide a reasonable reserve for depreciation, obsolescence, bad debts or contingent losses and expenses.

At least ten per cent (10%) of the remaining earnings must be added to the surplus until the surplus equals either thirty per cent (30%) of the total of all capital paid in for memberships plus all unpaid patronage dividends plus certificates of indebtedness payable upon liquidation or One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00), whichever is the greater. No addition shall be made to surplus whenever it exceeds either fifty per cent (50%) of such total or One Thousand Dollars ($1,000.00) whichever is greater.

Not less than one per cent (1%) nor more than five per cent (5%) of such earnings in excess of reserve may be placed in an educational fund and credited to the account of each member and payable at the discretion of the board of directors.

B. Upon dissolution or liquidation, the assets of the association shall be applied first to the payment of liquidation expenses, second to payment of obligations of the association other than patronage dividends; third to retire patronage dividends; fourth, to pay to members the amounts for which their memberships were originally issued together with dividends, if any. Any remaining assets shall be distributed among those who are members at the date of the dissolution or liquidation.

ARTICLE VIII.
MEETINGS

The first annual meeting of this association shall be held on the first Tuesday in March at the location as selected by the president and thereafter each annual meeting shall be held on the first Tuesday in March each year at the location as selected by the president. Each member whose fees are fully paid shall be entitled to one vote at any regular or special meeting of the association. Voting by proxy shall be prohibited. However, a member may vote by mail upon any question submitted to him in writing ten days before the meeting, providing the proposed question, motion or resolution is attached to the members vote cast by mail.

State of Iowa County of Madison) -

On this 22nd day of March 1948 before me a Notary Public in and for said County and State personally appeared:

T. J. Crawford, F. M. Cleveland, Harold Gordon, Elmer E. Libby, Robert E. Dunn, George W. Pilmer, Dick W. Mapes

known

Said persons being to me personally to be the identical persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing articles of incorporation and each for himself acknowledged the same to be his free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes herein expressed.

Witnessed my hand and notarial seal, this 22nd day of March 1948 last above written.

(Notarial Seal) Shirley A. Webster Notary Public in and for said County and State.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
Des Moines, Iowa

This instrument recorded in Book G-13, Page 188, April 8- 1948 Expires Perpetual, Cert. No. 12727, Receipt No. 942 Filed By Webster & Frederick, Attys Winterset, Iowa Filing Fee _10.00 Recording Fee _1.50 Rollo H. Bergeson Secretary of State COMPARED

Chas. E. Tucker To The Public

#1802 Filed for record the 12 day of April A. D. 1948 at 3:28 o'clock P. M.
Fee $ .50VC
Wilma M. Wade, Recorder

AFFIDAVIT

State of Iowa, Madison County, ss.

I, Chas. E. Tucker, a resident of said State and County, being sworn, depose and say as follows:

That I well and personally knew, during his lifetime, the Andrew Sawyers who died, testate, on or about Jan. 14, 1947, and whose estate is being administered at No. 4976 Probate of the District Court of Madison County, Iowa; and that I am well and personally acquainted with the members of his family, such acquaintance having existed for many years prior to his death.

That the said Andrew Sawyers left surviving, as shown by the Report of Beneficiaries filed in his estate on Nov 14, 1947, the following named persons: Mima May Sawyers, his widow, and Clare Sawyers, Raymond Sawyers and Carl Sawyers, his sons, as his sole and only