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**INSTALLATION CHARGES**

Please contact Benton Telephone for installation charges (320) 393-2115 or (800) 683-0372.

Payment for installation plus the completed application form is required prior to service activation.

**Your New Telephone Number: (To Be Assigned)**

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP AND COMMUNICATION SERVICE**

The undersigned (hereinafter call the "Applicant" must be 18 years or older to apply), hereby subscribes to membership in a corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Minnesota under the name of Benton Cooperative Telephone Company (hereinafter called the "Cooperative"), for the purpose of furnishing communication service, upon the following terms and conditions:

1. The Applicant must meet all conditions set forth in the Articles of Incorporation or by-laws of the Cooperative (found in the Cooperative telephone directory) and pay any installation charge or deposit requested.
2. The Applicant will, when communication service becomes available, take from the Cooperative communication service to be used on the premises described below and will pay therefor monthly at rates to be determined from time to time in accordance with established tariffs as fixed by the Board of Directors, it being expressly understood that all amounts paid for services by Applicant in excess of costs are furnished by the Applicant as capital and the Applicant shall be credited with the capital so furnished as provided in the by-laws.
3. The Applicant hereby grants to the Cooperative an easement to construct, operate and maintain a communication line or system on, over, or under the land described below and in or upon all streets, roads or highways abutting said land. The Applicant further agrees that in the event that said Applicant does not own all private land or lands necessary to be crossed, as state above, the Applicant shall obtain, on forms provided by the Cooperative, all necessary easements from the owner or owners of said land or lands, and shall submit same to said Cooperative prior to installation of service. Applicant hereby grants to the Cooperative access to the premises of Applicant at all reasonable times for its purpose of installing, repairing, maintaining or removing any service to the premises.
4. The Applicant will comply with and be bound by the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation and by-laws of the Cooperative, and such rules and regulations as may from time to time be adopted by the Cooperative.
5. The Applicant, by becoming a member, assumes no personal liability or responsibility for any debts or liabilities of the Cooperative and it is expressly understood that his private property is exempt from execution for any such debts or liabilities.

This application is made in consideration of similar applications by others and is understood to be an agreement with such applicants. The acceptance of this application by the Cooperative shall constitute an agreement between the Applicant and the Cooperative, and shall continue in force from the date service is made available by the Cooperative to the Applicant, and thereafter until service is discontinued.

It is agreed that if the Cooperative is unable to proceed with its plans to service the Applicant for any reason, the amount paid by the Applicant will be returned to the Applicant. The Applicant also agrees that an adverse credit report or failure to meet payment of charges in accordance with established collection policies of the Cooperative, shall be sufficient cause for the Cooperative to refuse or discontinue service to the Applicant without previous notice. The Applicant also agrees if they had service before, and there was a balance owing on their previous bill the balance still owing must be paid by the Applicant and a deposit made if applicable.

**APPLICANT: Responsible for account**

**CO-APPLICANT: Responsible for account**

**Congratulations! You will be a member of a cooperative. Capital Credit checks are made payable to applicant(s) listed below.**

First	Middle Initial	Last
Social Security # _____		
Driver's License # _____		
Employer: _____		
Employer Address _____		
Daytime Contact #: _____		

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**Account Security Information: (to access account information)**

**Additional Authorized Contacts:**

Password: \_\_\_\_\_  
Create something you will remember

City where you were born? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your favorite color? \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like anyone else to have information on your account or make changes, please list their name below:

Additional Authorized Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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**DIRECTORY LISTING INFORMATION:**

Choose One:  
 Published Telephone Number (Directory & Operator)     Non-Published Telephone Number - \$1 per month

Please print your name as it should appear in the directory \_\_\_\_\_  
(Spouse may be listed at no charge, if the last name is the same)

Additional listings: \$2.50/mo. Residential · \$7.00/mo. Business: \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTALLATION INFORMATION:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date service to be connected (Monday – Friday) allow 2 weeks for a new buried line

Address Service Requested at: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip Code

Billing Address if different: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip Code

- Name & Telephone # of Previous Resident at this \_\_\_\_\_
- Other Description of Property: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had service with Benton Cooperative Telephone  Yes  No

**CREDIT REFERENCES:**

Benton Cooperative Telephone Company uses Online Utility Exchange for customer credit checks. A deposit may be required based on your credit record. If the report requires you to pay a deposit, it must be paid prior to establishing service.

Previous Communications Provider & Last Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Nearest Relative & Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

