

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Petition of the Nebraska )  
Telecommunications Association for )  
Investigation and Review of Processes and )  
Procedures Regarding the Nebraska )  
Universal Service Fund: Application to the )  
Nebraska Broadband Pilot Program (NEBP) )  
Received from Rock County Telephone )  
Company )

Application No. NUSF-77.17



DIRECT TESTIMONY OF JOE JETENSKY IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION

**Q. Please state your name.**

A. Joe Jetensky.

**Q. Please state your position with and the name of your current employer and provide a summary of your duties.**

A. I am the President/General Manager for Rock County Telephone Company ("RCTC"). My duties include day to day management of RCTC.

**Q. Prior to assuming your current positions what was your employment background?**

A. I worked at Huntel for 30 years. I held the positions of General Manager at Huntel Engineering and General Manager at Huntel Cablevision.

**Q. Please describe the Applicant and its business.**

A. RCTC is a common carrier subject to the jurisdiction of the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission"). RCTC holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by this Commission and operates general telecommunications businesses in Nebraska. As of December 31, 2012, RCTC served 751 access lines.

**Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

A. My testimony is provided to support the application filed by RCTC for funding from the Nebraska Broadband Fund (“Application”).

**Q. Can you please generally describe the Application?**

A. The Application proposes to construct broadband infrastructure in the rural, underserved areas near Bassett, Nebraska. The proposed project service area consists of 121 square miles in the Bassett exchange area. There are 101 households in the proposed project service area that are either unserved or underserved. RCTC proposed to construct a digital subscriber loop (“DSL”) infrastructure to serve the households in the proposed project area. This plan will use a large portion of RCTC’s existing copper facilities to deliver service. The proposed project infrastructure will consist of new fiber optic cable, new twisted pair copper cable, and digital loop carrier (“DLC”) electronics.

**Q. What is the estimate of the potential new broadband subscribers that would be created by the Application?**

A. The rural area addressed by the Application would provide service to 101 households in rural Nebraska.

**Q. Are there additional details and supporting information in the Application?**

A. Yes. These details are contained in the Application filed with the Commission. Additionally, Staff requested and was provided additional information.

**Q. Do you support the Staff recommendation regarding the Application?**

A. Yes. I appreciate the Staff’s recommendation to approve the Application and believe that the Commission should adopt the Staff’s recommendation regarding the Application.

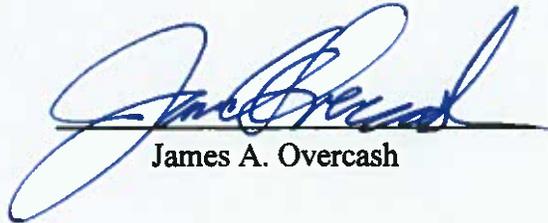
**Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

**A. Yes.**

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013, the original, five copies, and an electronic copy of the foregoing pleading was delivered to:

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