

**COMMUNICATIONS & NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AGENDA**

**October 29, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

C-5303/  
PI-240

In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to determine whether adequate service quality is being provided by carriers operating within the State of Nebraska.

C-5599

In the Matter of the Application of Unite Private Networks, LLC, Kansas City, Missouri, seeking authority to add the trade name Segra Fiber.

C-5603

In the Matter of the Application of David and Sharon Kathman, Superior, seeking authority to receive advanced telecommunications capability service from the Blue Hill Exchange of Glenwood Telephone Membership Corporation

**BROADBAND**

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**INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS**

**UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND**

NUSF-37.447

Cullen Robbins, Director, Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Complainant, v. Working Assets Funding Service, Inc., Respondent.

**NUSF/TRS LATE-FILED CARRIERS**

Net2Phone 2.0 America, Inc.

**REPORTS**

**DISCUSSION**

Communications Pending Applications

| Filed      | Appl #               | Summary  | Att             | Protest    | Hearing    | Officer         |
|------------|----------------------|--|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------------|
| 7/9/2024   | 911-78/DC-104/C-5596 | Windstream   | Sara Hulac      |            |            |                 |
| 2/7/2017   | C-4892               | Show Cause for Centurylink   | Shana Knutson   | 3/13/2017  | 3/28/2017  | Tim Schram      |
| 2/22/2017  | C-4893/PI-207        | Redundancy and testing investigation   | Shana Knutson   | 3/27/2017  |            |                 |
| 2/5/2019   | C-5037/PI-223        | NPSC/CenturyLink/Service Quality   | Shana Knutson   | 3/9/2019   | 8/19/2020  | Mary Ridder     |
| 8/6/2019   | C-5069/PI-226        | LB 641   | Jonathan Smith  | 9/9/2019   |            |                 |
| 6/8/2021   | C-5272               | Broadband Bridge Act Program   | Sallie Dietrich |            | 6/7/2023   | Dan Watermeier  |
| 8/10/2021  | C-5303/PI-240        | Service Quality  | Sallie Dietrich |            |            | Tim Schram      |
| 1/4/2022   | C-5368               | Broadband Bridge Act Program 2022  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 3/22/2022  | Tim Schram      |
| 12/6/2022  | C-5461/PI-244        | Dark fiber   | Sallie Dietrich |            | 9/19/2023  | Eric Kamler     |
| 3/7/2023   | C-5484               | Broadband Bridge Act Program 2023  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 9/17/2024  | Dan Watermeier  |
| 3/21/2023  | C-5493/PI-245        | FCC Prohibited Communications Equipment Attestations                                 | Jonathan Smith  |            | 5/10/2023  | Christian Mirch |
| 7/5/2023   | C-5520/PI-246        | FCC Prohibited Communications Equipment Attestations to all Communications Providers | Jonathan Smith  |            |            |                 |
| 8/29/2023  | C-5529               | Precision Agriculture Grant Act  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 10/26/2023 | Eric Kamler     |
| 2/6/2024   | C-5561               | Broadband Bridge Act Program 2024  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 3/26/2024  | Dan Watermeier  |
| 4/3/2024   | C-5564/PI-250        | Service outage reporting requirements  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 9/30/2024  | Christian Mirch |
| 3/21/2024  | C-5569               | CLEC Authority/Stratus Networks, Inc.  | Jonathan Smith  | 4/29/2024  |            | Christian Mirch |
| 4/11/2024  | C-5576               | CLEC Authority/Viaero Fiber Networks, LLC  | Jonathan Smith  | 5/16/2024  | 9/25/2024  | Kevin Stocker   |
| 7/10/2024  | C-5599               | Add trade name Segra to Unite Private Networks, LLC                                  | Jonathan Smith  | 9/9/2024   |            |                 |
| 8/6/2024   | C-5600               | Precision Agriculture Grant Act 2024-2025  | Sallie Dietrich |            | 10/1/2024  | Eric Kamler     |
| 7/19/2024  | C-5601               | Boundary change/Michael and Bethany Hansmire/Windstream/Great Plains                 | Shana Knutson   | 8/23/2024  |            |                 |
| 7/25/2024  | C-5602               | Boundary change/Cindy Melcher/Windstream/Great Plains                                | Jonathan Smith  | 8/29/2024  |            |                 |
| 8/6/2024   | C-5603               | Boundary change/David and Sharon Kathman/Glenwood Telephone/Windstream               | Sallie Dietrich | 9/12/2024  |            |                 |
| 8/27/2024  | C-5605               | Boundary change/Keenan Wieseler/Hartington/Great Plains                              | Shana Knutson   | 9/30/2024  |            |                 |
| 9/11/2024  | C-5607               | IXC Authority/Applied Connective Technologies, LLC                                   | Sallie Dietrich | 10/21/2024 |            |                 |
| 9/16/2024  | C-5608               | Boundary change/Schieffer/Stevens/Schumacher/Hartington/Great Plains                 | Shana Knutson   | 10/28/2024 |            |                 |
| 10/9/2024  | C-5609               | IXC & CLEC Authority/ImOn Communications, LLC  | Jonathan Smith  | 11/13/2024 |            |                 |
| 10/15/2024 | C-5610               | IXC & CLEC Withdrawal/Windstream IT-Comm, LLC  | Sallie Dietrich |            |            |                 |
|            |                      |  |                 |            |            |                 |
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| 2/6/2018   | ADC-14               | Complaint aganst Central Marketing Services  | Sallie Dietrich |            |            |                 |
|            |                      |  |                 |            |            |                 |
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| 12/13/2022 | CPF-1                | Capital Projects Funds   | Shana Knutson   |            |            | Tim Schram      |
| 8/15/2023  | CPF-2                | Capital Project Funds  | Shana Knutson   |            |            | Tim Schram      |

**Universal Service Pending Applications**

| <u>Docket</u>   | <u>Date Opened/<br/>Received</u> | <u>Protest<br/>Date</u> | <u>Hrg. Officer</u> | <u>Atty</u> | <u>Description</u>   | <u>Status</u> | <u>Comments</u>  |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------|--|---------------|--|
| NUSF-2, PO #12  | 7/27/2021                        |                         |                     | SD          | To establish guidelines for the administration of NE Telephone Assistance Program  | Pending       | Comments due September 21, 2021; Reply Comments due October 5, 2021  |
| NUSF-4, PO #30  |                                  |                         |                     | SK          | Determine level of Fund necessary to carry out NE Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act beginning 7-1-2024                         | Pending       | Public Hearing scheduled Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 1:30 p.m./ CHR   |
| NUSF-32.19      | 7/12/2022                        |                         | Schram              | TM          | Seeking to conduct an inquiry into failure by inContact, Inc., to comply with Commission Rules or Orders and impose administrative fine    | Pending       | Sustaining Show Cause & Assess Civil Penalties   |
| NUSF-33/PI-68   |                                  |                         |                     | SK          | Seeking to Investigate audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund   | Pending       | Due date extended to 2-28-2025 for those audits otherwise due on 12-31-2024  |
| NUSF-37.447     | 6/25/2024                        |                         |                     | JS          | Cullen Robbins, Director, Complainant, v Working Assets Funding Service, Inc., Respondent, for late-filing of the NUSF worksheets/payments | Pending       |  |
| NUSF-37.448     | 8/6/2024                         |                         |                     | JS          | Cullen Robbins, Director, Complainant, v CallTower, Inc., Respondent, for late-filing of the NUSF worksheets/payments                      | Pending       |  |
| NUSF-57, PO #9  | 6/27/2006                        |                         | Mirch               | SK          | Seeking to administer the Nebraska Telehealth Program  | Pending       | Filing deadline extended to July 29, 2024  |
| NUSF-91         | 8/13/2013                        |                         |                     | SD          | To increase broadband adoption among low-income consumers through the development of a Nebraska broadband telephone assistance program     | Pending       | Held in abeyance   |
| NUSF-92, PO #16 | 4/19/2023                        |                         |                     | SK          | To administer the NUSF Broadband Program   | Pending       | Grant application window opens November 18, 2024 and closed January 13, 2025.  |
| NUSF-99, PO #2  | 10/15/2014                       |                         | Schram              | SK          | To administer the Universal Service Fund High-Cost Program   | Pending       | Price Cap Carriers' Project Selections due 4-1-2024  |
| NUSF-108, PO #7 | 10/19/2021                       |                         |                     | SK          | Seeking to make adjustments to the high-cost distribution mechanism and revise reporting requirements                                      | Pending       | On-going   |
| NUSF-131, PO #3 | 8/29/2021                        |                         | Schram              | SD          | To establish reverse auction procedures and requirements   | Pending       | Post-Auction Commitment Forms due 10-25-2024 @ 5:00 p.m.   |
| NUSF-133        | 3/15/2022                        |                         | Watermeier          | SD          | To implement standards of verification of broadband service coverage/speed data  | Pending       | Waivers of speed testing requirements due February 28th @ year testing is required.  |
| NUSF-139        | 8/29/2023                        |                         | Schram              | SK          | Consider modification to high-cost distribution of NUSF in light of federal/state infrastructure grants                                    | Pending       | Workshop on the Updated Nebraska State Broadband Cost Model will be held on Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 1:30p.m. (Central) in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln. |

10/16/2024

# *Tariffs*

| <i>Carrier Name</i>                             | <i>Description</i>  | <i>Date Filed</i> | <i>Date Effective</i> |
|---|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska | Increase Remote Call Forwarding for Business.   | 10/10/2024        | 11/1/2024             |
| Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska | Reduce the nonrecurring charge and reduce the period of days offered for Basic Intercept Service. | 10/23/2024        | 11/2/2024             |
| Securus Technologies, LLC                       | Modify tariff to come into compliance with new FCC requirements.                                  | 10/23/2024        | 11/19/2024            |