

COMMUNICATIONS & NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AGENDA

May 13, 2025

10:00 AM

C-5640 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program in the 2025 program year.

Action: to enter an Order holding 2025 Broadband Bridge Program in abeyance

C-5645/DC-105 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission regarding the 2024 Annual Report Filings.

Action: Cullen Robbins seeks Commission approval to open a Departmental Complaint against carriers who failed to file required annual reports by deadline of April 30, 2025

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

NUSF-131 PO#4 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to establish reverse auction procedures and requirements.

Action: to enter an Order Seeking Comment and Notice of Hearing

REPORTS

NUSF Docket Status

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
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
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		
12/3/2024	C-5623	CLEC Authority/TJ Cable & Underground Services LLC	Jonathan Smith	1/8/2025		
12/10/2024	C-5627	Transfer of control/Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska d/b/a Frontier Communications of Nebraska, Inc./Verizon Communications, Inc.	Sallie Dietrich	1/17/2025	3/25/2025	Eric Kamler
1/29/2025	C-5635	Debt financing/Arlington Telephone Company, The Blair Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Rock County Telephone Company and HunTel Cablevision Inc. d/b/a American Broadband Nebraska Communications, Inc., all d/b/a Fastwyre Broadband	Sallie Dietrich	3/5/2025	6/2/2025	Eric Kamler
3/6/2025	C-5639/NUSF-144	ETC Lifeline & NTAP/TracFone Wireless, Inc.	Shana Knutson	4/18/2025	6/10/2025	Tim Schram
3/4/2025	C-5640	Broadband Bridge Act Program 2025	Sallie Dietrich		4/7/2025	Dan Watermeier
3/6/2025	C-5641	IXC & CLEC Authority/Zayo Northeast, LLC	Jonathan Smith	4/10/2025		
3/6/2025	C-5642	Transfer of control/Zayo Group, LLC/Zayo Northeast, LLC	Jonathan Smith	4/10/2025		
4/8/2025	C-5647	Withdraw IXC & CLEC Authority/FiberComm, L.C.	Shana Knutson	5/12/2025		
4/8/2025	C-5648	Boundary change/Dean Jansen/Hartington/Great Plains	Jonathan Smith	5/12/2025		
4/11/2025	C-5649/NUSF-145	ETC Withdrawal/United States Cellular Corporation	Sallie Dietrich	5/16/2025		
4/24/2025	C-5650	Interconnection/Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company/CenturyLink QC	Shana Knutson	5/30/2025		
Filed	Appl #	Summary	Att	Protest	Hearing	Officer
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 Received</u>	<u>Protest Date</u>	<u>Hrg. Officer</u>	<u>Atty</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Comments</u>
NUSF-32.22	3/4/2025		Schram	SK	Seeking to conduct an inquiry into the failure by certain telecommunications companies to comply with Commission Rules or Orders and impose an administrative fine: Order Initiating Show Cause and Setting Hearing	Pending	Schedule Show Cause Hearing for April 15, 2025 at 11:00 a.m., Commission Hearing Room.
NUSF-33 / PI-68	1/7/2025			SK	Seeking to Investigate Audit Requirements Related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund: Order Granting Audit Waiver Requests	Pending	Due date extended to 2-28-2025 for those audits otherwise due on 12-31-2024.
NUSF-37.456	1/28/2025			JS	Cullen Robbins, Director, Complainant, v Skye Telecom, LLC, Respondent, for late-filing of the NUSF worksheets/payments	Pending	Pending: Submission of Civil Penalty
NUSF-4, PO #31	4/8/2025			SK	Determine level of funding necessary to carry out the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act beginning 7-1-2025		Order setting Hearing May 6, 2025, at 1:30 p.m., Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.
NUSF-57, PO #10	4/8/2025		Mirch	SK	Seeking to administer the Nebraska Telehealth Program	Pending	FY2025 filing window for the Telehealth program is hereby extended to sixty (60) business days from the date the federal filing window closes, June 2, 2025.
NUSF-92, PO #16	10/16/2024			SK	To administer the NUSF Broadband Program	Pending	Grant application window opens November 18, 2024, and closes January 13, 2025.
NUSF-108	12/17/2024			SK	Seeking to make adjustments to the high-cost distribution mechanism and revise reporting requirements	Pending	On-going.
NUSF-139, PO #6	4/8/2025			SK	Consider modification to high-cost distribution of NUSF in light of federal/state infrastructure grants	Pending	Order seeking comments due May 6, 2025. 4/29/25 the hearing notification was changed to a Workshop for May 14, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln.
NUSF-143	2/4/2025			SK	Seeking to implement policies related to dedicated universal service support for wireless telecommunications services	Pending	Initial Comments due March 3, 2025 with reply comments due March 28, 2025.
Updated 4/30/2025//sr							

Tariffs

<i>Carrier Name</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Date Filed</i>	<i>Date Effective</i>
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska	Increase Voice Mail for Residential customers.	5/8/2025	6/1/2025