

COMMUNICATIONS & NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AGENDA

February 18, 2026

10:00 AM

AUTO DIALERS

- AD-742 In the Matter of the Application of University of Maryland Global Campus, Adelphi, Maryland, seeking authority to connect an automatic dialing-announcing device in Santa Clara. California.
- AD-743 In the Matter of the Application of University of Maryland Global Campus, Adelphi, Maryland, seeking authority to connect an automatic dialing-announcing device in Atlanta, Georgia.

UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND

- NUSF-1, PO #7 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for administration of the Nebraska Universal Service Fund: **Peerless Network of Nebraska, LLC**
- NUSF-133, PO#3 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement standards for the verification of broadband service provider coverage and speed data.

REPORTS

Communications Pending Application List
NUSF Docket Status
Tariff Summary

DISCUSSION

Report on telecommunications complaints and outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month:

Communications Pending Applications

Filed	Appl #	Summary	Att	Protest	Hearing	Officer
7/9/2024	911-78/DC-104/C-5596	Windstream	Sara Hulac			
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		
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		
8/5/2025	C-5666	Transfer of control/Charter Charter Communications, Inc./Cox Enterprises, Inc./Cox Communications, Inc./Cox Nebraska Telcom, LLC/Unite Private Networks, LLC	Sallie Dietrich	9/10/2025	12/16/2025	Dan Watermeier
8/7/2025	C-5667/PI-255	Review of pending Lumen/AT&T merger	Sallie Dietrich		3/3/2026	Tim Schram
8/11/2025	C-5669	Boundary change/Haleigh Eschliman/Nebraska Central Telephone Company/CenturyLink	Shana Knutson	9/15/2025		
11/8/2025	C-5682/PI-257	Review of merger between Windstream entities and Uniti Group, LLC	Sallie Dietrich			Dan Watermeier
1/6/2026	C-5684	TRS Surcharge 2026	Jonathan Smith		3/24/2026	Tim Schram
12/16/2025	C-5685/PI-259	Investigation of railroad crossing fees	Shana Knutson			
12/19/2025	C-5687	Transfer of Control/Anacoco Capital Partners, LLC and ABC Parent Holdings LP/American Broadband Holding Company/Fastwyre Broadband	Sallie Dietrich	1/26/2026		
1/9/2026	C-5688	Transfer of control/Vyve Business Services, LLC/Cable One, Inc. d/b/a Sparklight	Jonathan Smith	2/13/2026		
1/14/2026	C-5689	Boundary change/BKLG, LLC/Hamilton/Windstream Nebraska, Inc.	Jonathan Smith	2/19/2026		
1/15/2026	C-5690	Boundary change/Camp Big Muddy LLC/Hartington/Great Plains	Sallie Dietrich	2/23/2026		
1/16/2026	C-5691	Boundary change/Nathan Frerichs/Glenwood Telephone Membership Corp/Frontier Communications of America, Inc.	Jonathan Smith	2/23/2026		
2/3/2026	C-5692/NUSF-151	ETC Lifeline & NTAP/LTE Wireless, Inc.	Sallie Dietrich	3/11/2026		
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						
Docket	Date Opened Received	Hrg. Officer	Atty	Description	Status	Comments
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	Ongoing	
Universal Remittance Complaints						
NUSF-37.467	12/16/2025		JS	Request to open remittance complaint against Global Connections Inc. Of America for late-filed remittance worksheets	Pending	
Universal Service Dockets						
NUSF-92, PO #16	10/16/2024		SK	To administer the NUSF Broadband Program	Ongoing	
NUSF-108	12/17/2024		SK	Seeking to make adjustments to the high-cost distribution mechanism and revise reporting requirements	Ongoing	
NUSF-133 PO#3	10/7/2025		SD	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to implement standards for the verification of broadband service provider coverage and speed data.	Ongoing	
NUSF-143	2/4/2025		SK	Seeking to implement policies related to dedicated universal service support for wireless telecommunications services	Ongoing	
NUSF-148.01-148.09	10/7/2025		SK	Seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations.	Ongoing	
148.10-148.12	11/3/2025			Seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations.	Ongoing	
NUSF-150	12/16/2025		SK	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to explore additional funding opportunities in the Telehealth Program. Order Opening Docket , Seeking Comment and Setting Hearing.	Ongoing	Comment Deadline: Comments responsive to the issues raised herein may be filed on or before January 29, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., Central Time . Comments may be submitted to: psc.nusf@nebraska.gov. Reply comments and information may be filed with the Commission on or before February 12, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., Central Time, in the same manner . Persons submitting reply comments are asked to electronically serve a copy of their comments on those filing initial comments. (Published in Daily Record 12/18/2025) Workshop: A public workshop will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 2026, at 1:30 p.m., Central Time , in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, NE 68508 and via WebEx. (Published in Daily Record 12/22/2025)
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Tariffs

<i>Carrier Name</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Date Filed</i>	<i>Date Effective</i>
Century Link	Grandfather Services	1/16/2026	1/30/2026
Century Link	Change Service Terms	1/16/2026	2/1/2026
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska	Increases OneVoice Rates.	1/12/2026	2/1/2026
eNetworks, LLC	Initial CLEC Tariff	2/4/2026	2/14/2026
United Telephone Company of the West	Promotion Extension/new promotion	1/27/2026	2/8/2026

Summary of Telecommunications Complaints

February, 2026

Total complaints this month - 15

Fiscal year to date - 314

Service Category	Total	Complaint Issue	Company
Wireline	Total: 8	Carrier to Carrier - 3 Miscellaneous - 2 Telemarketing - 1 Service Quality - 1 - 1	Qwest - 2 Cox - 2 Windstream - 1 Verizon - 1 Spectrum - 1 Hemingford - 1
Cellular	Total: 2	Carrier to Carrier - 1 Billing - 1	Verizon - 1 T-Mobile - 1
Internet	Total: 4	Service Quality - 2 Miscellaneous - 1 Broadband - 1	Qwest - 2 Great Plains - 1 ATTE - 1
	Total: 1	Billing - 1	Windstream - 1

Savings to date
Wireline: \$9,993.51
Cellular: \$2,342.42
Transmission Line: \$0.00
Internet: \$6,736.52
Cable TV: \$1,019.21
: \$0.00
Total: \$20,091.66

Of the above complaints:

Valentine Area	0 Complaints
Chappell/Oshkosh/Lewellen	0 Complaints

Outages for January 2026

Short Name	Area	Time of Outage	Time Service Restored	Outage Duration	Count of Affected Lines	Primary Cause	Comments
Windstream	Lincoln, Ceresco	2026-01-03 11:03:00	2026-01-03 15:24:00	0 days 4 hours 21 minutes	134	Equipment	Controller card faulted impacting the Ceresco remote out of the Lincoln DMS100. The card was replaced
Great Plains	Wilcox	2026-01-13 12:30:00	2026-01-13 16:30:00	0 days 4 hours 0 minutes	30	Equipment	SIP registration issue. Registration paths stabilized and voice service was restored.
Windstream	Wahoo	2026-01-16 12:00:00	2026-01-17 06:33:00	0 days 18 hours 33 minutes	298	Damaged Cable	Fiber damage at the northwest corner of Highway 92 and County Road 29. Field Ops replaced 400 ft of fiber to restore service.
Cox	Omaha 68118	2026-01-25 10:28:00	2026-01-25 13:38:00	0 days 3 hours 10 minutes	125	Equipment	Blown fuse- replaced to restore power and normal service operations.