

COMMUNICATIONS & NEBRASKA UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND AGENDA

September 29, 2026

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| CPF-1 | In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to administer the federal Capital Projects Funds for broadband development in Nebraska. |
| C-5718/NUSF-155 | In the matter of the application of Nebraska Central Telephone Company, Aurora, Nebraska, seeking to expand its eligible telecommunications carrier designation. |
| C-5724/NUSF-156 | In the matter of the application of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Jackson, Nebraska, seeking to expand its eligible telecommunications carrier designation. |
| C-5682/PI-257 | In the matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to review and consider the impact upon Nebraskans of a merger transaction between Windstream Parent, Inc. and Uniti Group Inc. |
| FC-1371 | Gail Anderson, Complainant, v. Windstream Nebraska, Inc., Respondent. |

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| NUSF-25, PO#48 | In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the purpose of certifying the use of Federal Universal Service Support; and |
| NUSF-66 | In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the purpose of certifying the use of State Universal Service Support. |
| Annual Report | 2026 Annual Report on Telecommunications to the Legislature |

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Communications Pending Applications

Filed	Appl #	Summary	Att	Protest	Hearing	Officer
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		3/31/2026	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		9/3/2026	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		
12/16/2025	C-5685/PI-259	Investigation of railroad crossing fees	Shana Knutson			
2/3/2026	C-5692/NUSF-151	ETC Lifeline & NTAP/LTE Wireless, Inc.	Joselyn Luedtke	3/11/2026	7/13/2026	Tim Schram
6/2/2026	C-5701/DC-106	2025 Annual Reports	Joselyn Luedtke		7/15/2026	Eric Kamler
7/17/2026	C-5717/NUSF-154	ETC Expansion/Hamilton Telephone Company	Sallie Dietrich	8/26/2026		
7/17/2026	C-5718/NUSF-155	ETC Expansion/Nebraska Central Telephone Company	Sallie Dietrich	8/26/2026		
8/14/2026	C-5724/NUSF-156	ETC Expansion/Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company	Sallie Dietrich	9/23/2026		
8/26/2026	C-5725	IXC Withdrawal/Norstan Network Services, Inc.	Jonathan Smith	9/30/2026		
8/26/2026	C-5726	Name change/Windstream Nebraska, Inc./Windstream Nebraska, LLC	Sallie Dietrich	10/15/2026		
9/11/2026	C-5727	Transfer of Control/Hamilton Telephone Company/Nebraska Central Telephone Company	Sallie Dietrich	10/22/2026		
9/14/2026	C-5728	Transfer of Control/Kinetic ABS LLC/Windstream Nebraska, Inc./Windstream Communications, LLC/Windstream Long Distance, LLC/Windstream of the Midwest, LLC	Sallie Dietrich	10/21/2026		
9/17/2026	C-5729	Add trade name/Charter Fiberlink - Nebraska, LLC/Spectrum Business	Jonathan Smith	10/22/2026		
9/18/2026	C-5730	CLEC authority/Hamilton Telephone Company	Sallie Dietrich	10/28/2026		
9/22/2026	C-5731	Transfer of control/Easton Telecom Services, L.L.C./RSTN Communications, LLC	Jonathan Smith	10/26/2026		
Filed	Appl #	Summary	Att	Protest	Hearing	Officer
6/23/2026	FC-1371	Formal Complaint/Gail Anderson/Windstream	Shana Knutson	8/20/2026		Dan Watermeier
Filed	Appl #	Summary	Att	Protest	Hearing	Officer
5/7/2026	W-17	Water Rate Increase/Bow Valley Waterworks	Shana Knutson	8/30/2026		
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

NUSF Pending List					
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4/14/2026	NUSF-108 Adjust to High Cost Mechanism	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to make adjustments to its high-cost distribution mechanism and to make revisions to its reporting requirements.	Sallie Dietrich	n/a	n/a
3/4/2025	NUSF-32.22 Audit Complaints Administrative Fines	In the Matter of the Commission, on its own motion, seeking to conduct an inquiry into the failure by certain telecommunications companies to comply with Commission Rules or Orders and to impose administrative fines.	Shana Knutson	4/15/2025	n/a
9/29/2026	NUSF-25, PO#48 w/NUSF-66	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the purpose of certifying the use of federal universal service support; and NUSF-66 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the purpose of certifying the use of state universal service support.	Shana Knutson		
4/28/2026	NUSF-139 PO#11 Modification High-Cost Federal-State Grants	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to consider appropriate modifications to the high-cost distribution and reporting mechanisms in its Universal Service Fund program in light of federal and state infrastructure grants.	Shana Knutson		
8/25/2026	NUSF-139 PO#11 Modification High-Cost Federal-State Grants	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, to consider appropriate modifications to the high-cost distribution and reporting mechanisms in its Universal Service Fund program in light of federal and state infrastructure grants. Order Setting Schedule for Transition Applications. Interested applicants may file Support Transition Applications any time between now and Thursday, October 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., Central Time.	Shana Knutson		
2/4/2025	NUSF-143 Wireless Program	Seeking to implement policies related to dedicated universal service support for wireless telecommunications services. Comments due March 28, 2025.	Shana Knutson	n/a	n/a
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.13 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Hamilton Telephone Company, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporations d/b/a CenturyLink QC or United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink support Areas.			
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.14 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Hamilton Telephone Company, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Windstream Nebraska, Inc., territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.15 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Frontier, territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.16 Transition Support Applications	In the Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company (ILEC), seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Windstream Nebraska, Inc., territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.17 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/20/2026	NUSF-148.18 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company (CLEC), seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Windstream Nebraska, Inc., territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/23/2026	NUSF-148.19 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Consolidated Telephone Company, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC or United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink territory.	Shana Knutson		
9/15/2026	NUSF-148.20 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Skywave Wireless Inc., seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Great Plains Communication LLC, support Areas.	Shana Knutson		
9/15/2026	NUSF-148.21 Transition Support Applications	In the Matter of Skywave Wireless Inc., seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC or United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink territory.	Shana Knutson		
8/25/2026	NUSF-150 TeleHealth Program Funding Opportunities	In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own motion, to explore additional funding opportunities in the Telehealth program. Order Issuing Grant Awards.	Shana Knutson	n/a	
2/3/2026	NUSF-151/C-5692 LTE Wireless Providing NTAP & Lifeline Program Services	In the Matter of the Application of LTE Wireless, Inc., New York, New York, seeking statewide designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier in the State of Nebraska for the limited purpose of providing Lifeline and Nebraska Telephone Assistance Program services to qualifying customers.	Joselyn Luedtke	7/13/2026	Tim Schram