

**BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Great Plains ) Application No.  
 Communications LLC, 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  
 Support Areas

**PETITION FOR FORMAL  
INTERVENTION**

The Nebraska Rural Broadband Alliance (“NRBA”)<sup>1</sup>, by and through its attorneys, pursuant to 291 NEB. ADMIN CODE, CH. 1 § 003.04, files this *Petition for Formal Intervention* in the above proceeding, which was initiated by the Verified Application submitted by Great Plains Communications LLC on November 3, 2025, seeking transition of ongoing high-cost Nebraska Universal Service Fund (“NUSF”) support for eligible served locations in Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC or United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink (“Lumen”), territory.

1. The NRBA includes both Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (“ILECs”) and Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (“CLECs”) that primarily serve rural customers. The NRBA has an interest in this proceeding because it is comprised of carriers that are seeking transition of ongoing high-cost NUSF support in areas currently served by Lumen.<sup>2</sup> Further, the NRBA has an interest in the administrative procedures the Nebraska Public Service Commission (“Commission”) utilizes related to the transition of NUSF high-cost support and the transfer of COLR obligations.

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<sup>1</sup> For purposes of this proceeding, the NRBA consists of the following carriers: Cambridge Telephone Company; Glenwood Telephone Membership Corporation; Glenwood Network Services; Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.; Hemingford Cooperative Telephone Co.; Mainstay Communications; Midstates Data Transport, LLC dba Stealth Communications; Mobius Communications; Pinpoint Communications; Plainview Telephone Company; Stanton Telecom, Inc.; Town & Country Technologies; WesTel Systems, dba Hooper Telephone Company.

<sup>2</sup> NUSF-148.01, NUSF-148.03, NUSF-148.05, and NUSF-148.

2. As recipients of NUSF high-cost support and as applicants for the transition of high-cost support, the NRBA's financial and operational interests will be affected by the decisions made in this matter.

3. The NRBA desires to be granted party status as formal intervenors and participate in the proceeding to the extent allowed under the Commission's Rules and Regulations.

FOR THE ABOVE REASONS, the NRBA respectfully requests that the Commission grant the NRBA leave to formally intervene in the above-captioned proceeding.

DATED: December 3, 2025

NEBRASKA RURAL BROADBAND  
ASSOCIATION

Cambridge Telephone Company;  
Glenwood Telephone Membership  
Corporation; Glenwood Network Services;  
Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.;  
Hemingford Cooperative Telephone Co.;  
Mainstay Communications; Midstates  
Data Transport, LLC dba Stealth  
Communications; Mobius  
Communications; Pinpoint  
Communications; Plainview Telephone  
Company; Stanton Telecom, Inc.; Town &  
Country Technologies; WesTel Systems,  
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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that an original and five copies of the foregoing ***Petition for Formal Intervention*** were filed with the Public Service Commission December 3, 2025, and a copy was served via electronic mail, on the following:

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