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TO: ALL NEBRASKA PUBLIC GRAIN WAREHOUSE LICENSEES

FROM: TERRI FRITZ
DIRECTOR, GRAIN WAREHOUSES & DEALERS

DATE: AUGUST 5, 2026

RE: NPSC EMERGENCY STORAGE FOR 2026

The following policy will be in effect for the use of emergency storage ground piles:

- 1.) Warehouses who wish to use emergency ground piles must make an application to the Commission on the form provided. This form must include justification for the use of emergency space, as applicable. The application form that we have provided states guidelines and requirements which must be met. **Please read the application carefully, before submitting your request for use of emergency storage.**
- 2.) Warehouses must meet net worth requirements of .25 per bushel of licensed and emergency storage space, before the application is approved. If an applicant does not meet our net worth requirements, additional security must be posted to cover the amount of deficiency.
- 3.) Only corn, grain sorghum, and feed grains may be stored in emergency storage ground piles.
- 4.) Only open storage or warehouse-owned grain (non-receipted) may be stored in emergency storage ground piles.
- 5.) The properly completed, signed, and notarized application must be submitted to the Commission. The \$80.00 Licensing Fee can be paid online at **psc.nebraska.gov > Grain > Online Payments.**
- 6.) Applicants will be notified when the NPSC approves or denies their use of emergency storage. Please provide an e-mail address.

Gregory J. Walklin, Executive Director
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- 7.) If a warehouse uses emergency storage space without first obtaining approval from the Commission, the Commission will not recognize grain stored in emergency space as inventory for examination purposes.
- 8.) All grain stored in approved emergency storage space must be maintained in the applicant's Daily Position Record.
- 9.) **Approved emergency storage ground piles may be used until February 28, 2027,** after which time all grain must be moved to commercial licensed storage space.
- 10.) If a company requests an extension of time beyond **February 28, 2027** and the extension is because no licensed space is available or commercial transportation is not available, the ground pile(s) must be covered. This would not apply to ground piles where pick up efforts have begun, and work is actively ongoing to finish in a timely manner.

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EMERGENCY STORAGE APPLICATION (2026)

APPLICANT: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Application is made for use of emergency storage for the following reasons:

This application covers the use of emergency storage at the following locations:
(Attach a separate sheet if more room is needed.)

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| 1.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |
| 2.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |
| 3.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |
| 4.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |
| 5.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |
| 6.) LOCATION: _____ | TYPE OF STORAGE: _____ |
| COMMODITY: _____ | APPROXIMATE BUSHEL AMOUNT: _____ |

Applicant agrees to meet the NPSC Emergency Declaration guidelines:

- a.) Emptying emergency storage (moving grain to licensed storage) before **February 28, 2027;**
- b.) Storage of only open storage or company-owned grain (non-receipted);
- c.) **Storage of only corn or grain sorghum;**
- d.) Meeting the 25 cents per bushel net worth requirements;
- e.) Maintaining 100% stock insurance coverage for all grains in emergency storage;
- f.) Storing only in immobile storage situations (i.e. ground piles) with necessary precautions taken to ensure that grain is protected from the weather, rodents and theft;

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- g.) All grains stored in approved emergency storage space must be maintained in the applicant's Daily Position Record;
- h.) Notifying the Nebraska Public Service Commission, in writing (this includes emails), when the grain has been moved to licensed storage;
- i.) If a company requests an extension of time beyond **February 28th** and the extension is because no licensed space is available or commercial transportation is not available, the ground pile(s) must be covered. This would not apply to ground piles where pick up efforts have begun and work is actively ongoing to finish in a timely manner.

Under penalty of perjury, I declare: I am authorized to sign on behalf of the aforementioned applicant. I have examined the information on this application and; to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true and correct.

BY: _____

PRINTED NAME: _____

TITLE: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

STATE OF _____)

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COUNTY OF _____)

Signed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Notary Public)

A fee of \$80.00 is required with this application.

Return the application and fee to:

Nebraska Public Service Commission
Grain Department
PO Box 94927
Lincoln, NE 68509-4927
Telephone: 402-471-3101

*****NPSC OFFICE USE ONLY*****

NPSC APPROVAL _____

FEE PAID:

STORAGE EMPTIED: _____