

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska Public	)	Application No. NUSF-139
Service Commission, on its own Motion,	)	Progression Order No. 11
to consider appropriate modifications to	)	
the high-cost distribution and reporting	)	
mechanisms in its Universal Service	)	ORDER SETTING SCHEDULE FOR
Fund program in light of federal and	)	TRANSITION APPLICATIONS
state infrastructure grants.	)	
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	)	Entered: August 25, 2026

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (“Commission”) initiated this proceeding, on its own motion, on August 29, 2023 (“August 29th Order”), to consider appropriate modifications to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund (“NUSF”) high-cost distribution mechanism and associated reporting requirements.¹ On November 18, 2025, the Commission issued opinions and findings governing the transition of NUSF support to competitive eligible telecommunications carriers (“ETCs”). The Commission adopted a framework for the submission of applications from competitive ETCs, which included the minimum criteria and information to be submitted with the application.²

In this Order, we slightly modify that criteria by adding template documents to the filing requirements for administrative efficiency. We require applicants to utilize the templates for submitting their shapefiles to the Commission. The shapefile templates for submitting service area and locations will be made available on the

¹ *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*, Application No. NUSF-139, ORDER OPENING DOCKET SEEKING COMMENT AND SETTING HEARING (August 29, 2023)(“August 29th Order”).

² *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*, Application No. NUSF-139, ORDER ISSUING OPINIONS AND FINDINGS (November 18, 2025)(“Progression Order No. 9”).

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Commission's website. Aside from this modification, applicants can rely on the list of requirements and commitments required as provided in Progression Order No. 9 as a basis for Commission consideration of Support Transition Applications filed this year.

We also open the window for the filing of applications. Interested applicants may file Support Transition Applications any time between now and **Thursday, October 1, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., Central Time**. The Commission plans to streamline these applications and will consolidate all applications into one proceeding for review unless a protest or objection is filed. In that instance, the Commission will remove the application from the streamlined process, determine a procedural schedule, and separately issue a decision.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the opinions and findings set forth herein be, and they are hereby, adopted.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 25th day of August, 2026.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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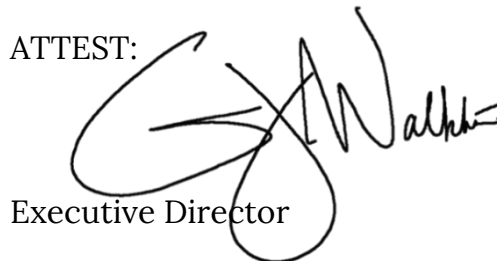
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