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August 30, 2022

CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, Thomas W. Golden, Executive Director of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, hereby certify that the enclosed is a true and correct copy of the original Order made and entered in the proceeding docketed as Application No. NUSF-131, on the 30th day of August, 2022. The original Order is filed and recorded in the official records of the Commission.

Please direct any questions concerning this Order to Cullen Robbins, Director, at 402-471-3101.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of August, 2022.

Sincerely,

Thomas W. Golden
Executive Director

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cc: Nebraska ETCs/Interested Parties

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SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. NUSF-131
Public Service Commission, on)	
its own motion, to establish)	ORDER ISSUING
reverse auction procedures and)	INITIAL AUCTION RESULTS
requirements.)	
)	
)	Entered: August 30, 2022

BY THE COMMISSION:

The Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") initiated this proceeding on June 29, 2021, to establish reverse auction procedures and requirements in order to carry out Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-330 (2018). On May 7, 2021, the Governor approved the Commission's Reverse Auction Rules and Regulations, which are now codified in 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Ch. 16. In an order dated June 28, 2022 ("June 28 Order"), the Commission entered an order setting forth the 2022 Reverse Auction ("Auction") budget, rules, and procedures. The Commission then issued an order on July 26, 2022, listing bidders qualified to participate in the Auction.

Winning Bidder. Pursuant to the procedural schedule issued in the June 28 Order, the Auction began on August 8, 2022. A bid was received from one bidder, Hamilton Long Distance Company ("Hamilton"). Hamilton submitted a bid for one minimum bidding unit ("MBU"), the "Ord_3000 MBU." The bid amount for this MBU was \$22,814.50. Because no other bids were received from qualified bidders by close of bidding on August 8, the Auction was then closed.

Upon review of the bid submitted, the Commission finds that Hamilton's bid for the Ord_3000 MBU in the amount of \$22,814.50 should receive initial approval. Hamilton must submit a completed Post-Auction Commitment Form by **Friday, September 30, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time** to receive final approval and the distribution of support. The form may be submitted via email to psc.nusf@nebraska.gov. Upon deployment of the completed network, Hamilton will be subject to all speed testing requirements as set forth in the June 28 Order.

Quiet Period. The Commission further finds that the Quiet Period previously put in place in this Auction in the June 28 Order should hereby end. Participants in the Auction may communicate with one another and the Commission regarding bids, bid strategy, eligible bid areas, and other related matters.

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IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the bid submitted by Hamilton Long Distance Company in the 2022 Reverse Auction for the Ord_3000 MBU in the amount of \$22,814.50 hereby receives initial approval.


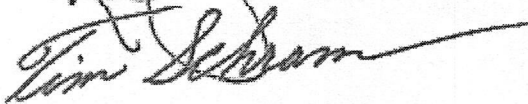
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that in order to receive final approval and the distribution of support, Hamilton Long Distance Company must submit a completed Post-Auction Commitment Form on or before **Friday, September 30, at 3:00 p.m. Central Time.**

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that the Quiet Period put in place for the course of the 2022 Reverse Auction shall hereby cease, and participants in the Auction may converse with one another regarding the auction.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 30th day of August, 2022.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:


Chair

ATTEST:


Executive Director