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Notice was duly published September 30, 2021 on page 5 of The Daily Record that the regular public meeting of the Commissioners of the Nebraska Public Service Commission would be held on October 5, 2021 at 10:00 AM in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln.

Chair Dan Watermeier called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 10:00 AM. with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present in the Commission Hearing Room and Commissioner Crystal Rhoades present via Webex. Chair Watermeier stated that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room and invited the public to address the Commission. No public comments were received. No announcements were made.

Attention was called to the following proceedings:

Tuesday, October 5, 2021:

11:00 AM    **Oral Argument**  
FC-1368  
Oral Argument on Motion to Dismiss  
Commission Hearing Room and WebEx  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Tim Schram

Tuesday, October 12, 2021:

1:30 PM    **Hearing**  
C-5256/NUSF-130  
LTD Broadband - Application for ETC status  
Commission Hearing Room and WebEx  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Crystal Rhoades

Tuesday, October 19, 2021:

10:00 AM    **Commission Meeting**  
Commission Hearing Room & WebEx

11:00 AM    **Hearing**  
MCC-3198  
Show Cause Hearing  
Commission Hearing Room and WebEx  
Hearing Officer: Commissioner Dan Watermeier

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## COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

C-5320 In the Matter of the Joint Application of Magna5 Holdings, LLC, Magna5, LLC, each of Frisco, Texas, and International Telcom, LLC, Mahwah, New Jersey, seeking authority to obtain debt financing and seeking a name change from International Telcom Ltd to International Telcom, LLC. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5321 In the Matter of the Application of Mobilitie Management, LLC, Newport Beach, California, seeking authority to withdraw its local exchange certificate of authority and cancel its tariff. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order granting application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5322 In the Matter of the Application of Dalton Telephone Company, Colorado City, Colorado, seeking approval of a Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC, d/b/a AT&T Mobility, Dallas, Texas. Motion made by Commissioner Mary Ridder, seconded by Commissioner Rod Johnson, to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

C-5323 In the Matter of the Application of Stanton Telecom, Inc., Stanton, Nebraska, seeking approval of a Wireless Traffic Exchange Agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC d/b/a AT&T Mobility, Dallas, Texas. Motion made by Commissioner Rod Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order approving the application. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

NUSF-2 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to establish guidelines for the administration of the Nebraska Telephone Assistance Program. Cullen Robbins discussed the Hearing Officer's Order entered approving late-filed comments.

NUSF-92.59 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer the Nebraska Universal Service Fund's Broadband Program: Application to the Nebraska Broadband Program received from: NE Colorado Cellular, Inc., d/b/a Viaero Wireless. Cullen Robbins discussed the Hearing Officer's Order entered approving Petition for Formal Intervention.

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NUSF-92.60 In the Matter of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, on its own Motion, seeking to administer the Nebraska Universal Service Fund's Broadband Program: Application to the Nebraska Broadband Program received from: United States Cellular Corporation. Cullen Robbins discussed the Hearing Officer's Order entered approving Petition for Formal Intervention.

Cullen Robbins informed the Commission of the telecommunications complaints and outages received by the Communications Department during the preceding month.

Outages for September 2021							
Carrier	Area	Outage Date	Completion Date	Duration	Lines Affected	Primary Cause	Comments
Qwest Corporation	Omaha	Sep-07-21	Sep-14-21	7 d 3 h	109	Damaged Cable	This outage is related to cable that became wet during a recent storm. Weather permitting, the customers should be back in service tomorrow morning (9-14-2021).
Qwest Corporation	Scottsbluff	Sep-13-21	Sep-13-21	0 d 2 h	400	Equipment	Scottsbluff switch is not processing toll calls. Failed cards were resealed to restore service.
Blair Telephone Company	Blair & Rural Blair	Sep-17-21	Sep-18-21	0 d 23 h	100	Cable Cut	A contractor cut a fiber optic cable in Blair and caused 3 remote cabinets to go out of service. One cabinet is in Blair and the other 2 are in rural Blair. 12 tickets related to the outage and they had to pull in 4 blocks of fiber to repair it. We let people know via social media about the outage and I believe that cut down on tickets because they were aware of the issue.
Windstream Nebraska, Inc.	Lincoln	Sep-16-21		d h	217	Cable Cut	Neilsen Company hit 2 of our cables while doing work for the city. The cut was in the alley between 11th & 12th St. north of H St., we have 217 customers on these damaged cables with only a few TT's so far. Lancaster 911 was impacted and they are fully working from their back up center.
Cox Nebraska Telecom, LLC	Omaha	Sep-20-21	Sep-20-21	0 d 8 h	4079	Other	Result of an equipment failure resulting from water from one of the building air conditioning units overflowing from a drip pan and got into a shelf. Service was restored once traffic was moved from the damaged shelf and cards to newly installed units. This outage impacted 4079 VoIP telephony users.
Windstream Nebraska, Inc.	Elmwood, Eagle, Lincoln	Sep-19-21	Sep-22-21	3 d 1 h	441	Cable Cut	A tree fell on power lines, the neutral went on the ground, and burnt seven fibers in a splice handhole at the corner of N. 98th St. and O St (Hwy 34). Repair efforts involved a 300 ft buried section, and aerial placement of 288 count and 48 count fiber. Delays in locating the fiber and necessary removal of four trees delayed the buried work. Fiber was also 7 feet deep. Redesigns were pursued concurrently with fiber repair to restore services.
Windstream Nebraska, Inc.	Lincoln	Sep-23-21	Sep-23-21	0 d 5 h	674	Equipment	Four remotes out of the Lincoln GTD5 switch were impacted by a faulty DS3 DSX jack. A technician was dispatched to repair equipment to restore services.
Qwest Corporation	Omaha	Sep-28-21		d h	331	Cable Cut	1300 pair cable cut.

## TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

B-1750.01r In the Matter of O.U.R. Homes, Lincoln, seeking to establish its rates and charges subject to the Provisions of Neb. Rev. Stat. Chapter 75, Articles 1 and 3. Motion made by Commissioner Tim Schram, seconded by Commissioner Mary Ridder, to enter an Order amending rates on an emergency basis. Motion passed with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier voting AYE.

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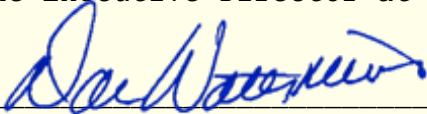
## GRAIN WAREHOUSE DEPARTMENT

GW-22 In the Matter of the attached list of completed list  
et al. of warehouse license renewals for the 3rd quarter of 2021.  
Dillon Keiffer-Johnson reported on the 3rd quarter grain  
warehouse renewal list.

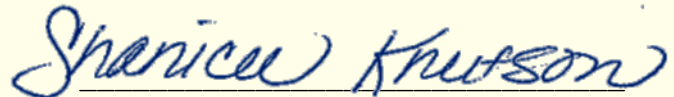
GD-22 In the Matter of the attached list of completed list  
et al. of dealer license renewals for the 3rd quarter of 2021.  
Dillon Keiffer-Johnson reported on the 3rd quarter grain  
dealer renewal list.

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The meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM with Commissioners Rod Johnson, Crystal Rhoades, Mary Ridder, Tim Schram and Dan Watermeier present. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on October 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM with an agenda to be available in the office of the Executive Director at 10:00 AM on October 18, 2021.



Chair



Deputy Director