

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. C-2831/NUSF-51/
Public Service Commission, on) PI-67
its own motion, seeking to)
investigate telecom-) PROGRESSION ORDER NO. 1
munications infrastructure)
development in Nebraska.)
) Entered: July 25, 2006

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

1. The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) initiated this docket on its own motion on November 5, 2002 to investigate telecommunications infrastructure development in Nebraska. Specifically, the Commission surveyed carriers on the pace of broadband deployment. In the Commission's most recent survey issued January 18, 2006, all eligible telecommunications carriers (ETC) were required to complete the Commission's survey and file the requested information by March 14, 2006. All other broadband service providers were strongly encouraged to also complete the survey by that deadline.

2. A copy of the staff report regarding the data collected was filed with the Commission on July 20, 2006. The staff report was officially received by the Commission on July 25, 2006 and is available for public review.

3. As previously stated by the Commission in its order releasing the survey results in 2003, the Commission regards this proceeding as ongoing in nature. The Commission has directed the staff to survey carriers, compile the data and release the survey results on an annual basis. As stated in the broadband report, the Commission has also directed staff to collect data on a more specific and granular level to enable the Commission to better determine the extent of broadband availability to residents living outside of incorporated places.

4. The Commission finds that a workshop should be scheduled to discuss the type of information to be collected by the Commission in future surveys and to discuss the process for submitting survey results. A public workshop will be held at 2:30 p.m., on **August 22, 2006** in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the staff Broadband Survey be and it is hereby accepted into the record in this proceeding.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a workshop be held on **August 22, 2006** at 2:30 p.m., in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 25th day of July, 2006.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director