BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. NUSF-26
Public Service Commission, on)	Progression Order No. 3
its own Motion, seeking to)	
establish a long-term universal)	EXTENSION GRANTED
service funding mechanism.)	
)	Entered: March 25, 2003

BY THE COMMISSION:

BACKGROUND

- 1. The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission), on its own motion, opened the above captioned docket seeking to establish a long-term universal service funding mechanism. Notice of the application was published in
 The Daily Record">The Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska, on August 24, 2001.
- 2. On December 17, 2003, in NUSF-26, Progression Order No. 3, the Commission ordered the Nebraska Hospital Association to work with the eligible telecommunications carriers and the Commission and to file a plan on or before April 1, 2003. On March 17, 2003, the Nebraska Hospital Association requested an extension of time until at least May 1, 2003.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

3. This Order addresses the request of the Nebraska Hospital Association (NHA) for an extension of time. Upon consideration of the request filed by the NHA, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the request should be granted. The Commission finds that a further extension of time should be granted. The date for filing the required plan should be filed on or before June 1, 2003. However, the Commission requests that the NHA file the required plan at the earliest possible date.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the request by the Nebraska Hospital Association for an extension of time should be granted until June 1, 2003.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of March 2003.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director