BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission on)	Application No. NUSF-32
its own motion, seeking to conduct)	
an inquiry into the failure of)	ORDER EXTENDING TIME FOR THE
various companies to comply with)	PAYMENT OF PENALTIES ASSESSED
Commission Orders and, at its own)	
discretion, impose administrative)	
fines against the named defendants.)	Entered: April 29, 2003
)	

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On April 1, 2003, the Commission entered its partial findings and conclusions with respect to a number of named defendants who failed to timely file their audits. The penalized defendants included in that order were ATS Mobile Telephone, Inc.; ATT Wireless PCS, LLC; LCI International Telcom, Inc.; McLeod USA Telecommunications Services; Omaha Cellular Telephone Company; TCG Omaha; Touch America; and Verizon Wireless Messaging Services. Some of the defendants have already paid their administrative penalties while others have not. On April 22, 2003, the Director of the Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department raised the question of extending the deadline for the defendants who were assessed a civil penalty but had not yet remitted that penalty to the Commission.

The Commission finds that the deadline should be extended briefly so that some of the defendants can pay their penalty along with their monthly remittance. Therefore the deadline for the named defendants will be extended to May 15, 2003.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the date for remitting the penalties assessed in the Commission's April 1, 2003, order be and it is hereby extended to May 15, 2003.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 29th day of April, 2003.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director