

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. NUSF-33/
Public Service Commission, on)	PI-68
its own motion, seeking to)	
investigate the audit)	AUDIT WAIVER ORDER
requirements related to the)	
Nebraska Universal Service Fund.)	
)	Entered: January 23, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened this docket on its own motion November 26, 2002, seeking to establish remittance audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF). The Commission established an audit policy in its Universal Service Fund Rules and Regulations, Neb. Admin. Code, Title 291, Ch. 10, effective September 16, 2002 and has been operating under that policy.

On April 10, 2007, the Commission entered an Order adopting remittance policies and establishing a waiver mechanism for certain qualifying carriers. The Commission entered an Order on November 20, 2007, addressing a number of audit waiver requests. On January 14, 2008, Easton filed a request for a waiver of the audit requirement for the 2006 audit period. This Order addresses Easton's waiver request filed for the 2006 audit period.

After review of Easton's waiver request, the Commission finds that the criteria of its April 10, 2007 Order have not been met because Easton was assessed and paid late fees for late-filed remittance worksheets in 2005 and/or 2006. Accordingly, Easton is required to file an audit for the 2006 audit period with the Commission.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above findings be and they are hereby adopted as it relates to Easton's request for a waiver for the 2006 audit period.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 23rd day of
January, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Vice-Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director