

In the Matter of the ) Application No. NUSF-50  
Commission, on its own )  
motion, to make adjustments )  
to the universal service fund ) ORDER SETTING PREHEARING  
mechanism established in ) CONFERENCE  
NUSF-26. )  
) Entered: January 17, 2007

1. The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened this proceeding on its own motion pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-324(2)(b)(2004 Supp.) to make certain adjustments to the permanent universal service fund mechanism established in NUSF-26.

2. On December 6, 2005, the Commission sought comment on whether to shorten the lag between the reported earnings period and NUSF distribution adjustments. The Commission proposed to allow carriers to file NUSF-EARN forms on a quarterly basis. The Commission questioned whether this requirement should be mandatory or optional.

3. Comments responsive to this inquiry were filed by the Rural Independent Companies (RIC), the Nebraska Rural Telephone Coalition (RTCN), and Qwest Corporation (Qwest).

4. The Hearing Officer hereby schedules a prehearing conference to be held on January 30, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that a prehearing conference be and it is hereby scheduled to be held on January 30, 2007 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
January, 2007.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Hearing Officer