BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska)	Application No. NUSF-69.08
Public Service Commission, on)	
its own motion, seeking to)	
implement policies and)	
procedures related to providing)	SUPPORT REQUEST DENIED
Dedicated universal service)	
Support for Wireless)	
Telecommunications Services:)	
Petition received July 1, 2011)	
from Long Lines Wireless, LLC.)	Entered: November 19, 2012

BY THE COMMISSION:

By Petition filed July 1, 2011 Long Lines Wireless LLC (Long Lines) of Sergeant Bluff, Iowa, sought support from the Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF) dedicated wireless program. Notice of the application appeared in the <u>Daily Record</u>, Omaha, on July 8, 2011. The Commission allocated \$5 million for the 2011 NUSF calendar funding year in which this Petition was filed. No protests or interventions were filed.

The Commission Staff released the results of the Commission approved distribution methodology on November 23, 2011. Long Lines was notified by the Department Director that the tower sites listed in its application were not recommended as supported sites due to the lower prioritization of the listed sites as compared to the tower support requested by U.S. Cellular and Viaero. Long Lines was given an opportunity for a hearing; however Long Lines did not pursue a hearing on the petition. A hearing on the NUSF-69 petitions was held on December 13, 2011 in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln, Nebraska.

As a result of its analysis, the Commission staff proposed that towers submitted by Long Lines would receive no funding, as the Commission's allocation of \$5 million for dedicated wireless program support for the 2011 calendar year was exhausted.

OPINION AND FINDINGS

Based on Commission's use of the staff's distribution methodology adopted in prior years to allocate wireless fund support, the Commission finds that Long Line's petition for support from the NUSF dedicated wireless program should be

denied as the program support for the 2011 calendar year was exhausted. However, Long Lines has the ability to re-petition the Commission for Dedicated Wireless Fund support in the next calendar year.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above-captioned petition filed by Long Lines Wireless LLC, shall be, and it is hereby, denied as provided herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 19th day of November, 2012.

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