

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska	)	Application No. NUSF-92.23
Public Service Commission, on	)	
its own motion, seeking to	)	
administer the Nebraska	)	
Universal Service Fund's	)	WITHDRAWN
Broadband Program: Application	)	
to the Nebraska Broadband	)	
Program Received from Eastern	)	
Nebraska Telephone Company.	)	Entered: July 21, 2015

BY THE COMMISSION:

***Background***

By Application filed November 26, 2014, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company ("Eastern") seeks Nebraska Broadband Program ("NEBP") support. Notice of the Application appeared in the Daily Record, Omaha, Nebraska on December 4, 2014.

A staff recommendation was filed on May 11, 2015. No pre-filed testimony was filed for Eastern.

On July 6, 2015, the Commission held a public hearing on the application in Lincoln, Nebraska. For administrative efficiency, the hearing was consolidated with the hearings in NUSF-92.17, NUSF-92.19, NUSF-92.21, NUSF-92.24 through NUSF-92.30, NUSF-92.32, NUSF-92.33, and NUSF-92.35 through NUSF-92.40. Mr. Paul Schudel entered an appearance on behalf of the applicant.

The Commission staff analyzed each project including the projects filed by Eastern. Although the Eastern projects were eligible, the Staff Recommendation did not include funding for the Eastern projects as the NEBP support for the current year had been exhausted. Mr. Schudel stated on the record that in light of the fact the staff recommendation did not propose support for Eastern's projects this round, Eastern's application should be considered withdrawn. The Commission encourages Eastern to re-file its broadband application in subsequent rounds for support.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Application filed by Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company should be and it is hereby considered withdrawn.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Vice Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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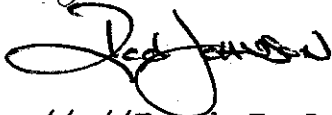
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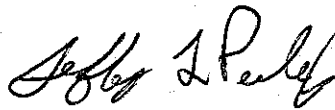


//s//Frank E. Landis  
//s//Tim Schram



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