BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. C-5050/DC-94
Public Service Commission)
Communications Department, on	
its own motion, regarding the) COMPLAINT DISMISSED, IN PART
2018 Annual Report filings.	
) Entered: June 25, 2019

BY THE COMMISSION:

By original complaint dated May 14, 2019, the Communications Department (Department) of the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) initiated this docket requesting the Commission to administratively fine and/or revoke the operating authority of various interexchange and local exchange telecommunications companies for failure to file annual reports pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-159. All such companies who had not filed annual reports with the Commission, who had filed incomplete annual reports, or who had not paid fines for filing their annual reports after the April 30th deadline were named as respondents in this docket. A copy of the Complaint and the Order to Show Cause was mailed to each defendant via certified United States mail.

The respondents named in the complaint are interexchange (IXC) and local exchange (LEC) telecommunications companies generally regulated by the Commission, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 75-101 et. seq. and §§ 86-101 et. seq. Respondents are also governed by 291 Neb. Admin. Code, Chapter 5, of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. Each of the respondents was required to file a complete annual report and payment with the Commission before April 30th, 2019, but failed to do so despite repeated communications from Commission staff.

The companies listed below have signed a stipulation with the Department wherein each defendant admits to filing its report late and has paid an administrative fine, in accordance with the Commission's Annual Report Fining Policy. The Department has requested that the Commission dismiss from the departmental complaint the following companies:

ANPI Business, LLC
Broadview Networks, Inc.
Broadvox-CLEC, LLC
Common Point, LLC
GC Pivotal, LLC
Legacy Long Distance International, Inc.
Neutral Tandem-Nebraska, LLC

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Nobeltel, LLC Onvoy, LLC Peetz Cooperative Telephone Company

The Commission finds that the signed stipulations are satisfactory and therefore the above-listed respondents should be dismissed from the complaint.

Each above-listed respondent to be dismissed from the Complaint pursuant to this Order is hereby advised that this Commission will not tolerate similar behavior in 2020 regarding the filing of the company's 2019 annual report. If reports are not received by the Commission on or before April 30, 2019, the option of resolving the complaint through a stipulation will be closely scrutinized. All companies that have agreed to such a stipulation will be considered a willful violator and will be subject to additional penalties and/or administrative sanctions.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that ANPI Business, LLC, Broadview Networks, Inc., Broadvox-CLEC, LLC, Common Point, LLC, GC Pivotal, LLC, Legacy Long Distance International, Inc., Neutral Tandem-Nebraska, LLC, Nobeltel, LLC, Onvoy, LLC, and Peetz Cooperative Telephone Company be, and hereby are, dismissed from the departmental complaint in Application No. C-5050 / DC-94.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any respondent who subsequently files a satisfactory annual report may execute a stipulation with the department similar to that offered to the above-named company in an effort to obtain dismissal.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 25th day of June, 2019.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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ATTEST:

Executive Director