

SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Platte Valley Financial)	Application No. FC-1370
Services Companies, Inc.,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	ORDER SETTING
v.)	PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE
)	AND
United Telephone Company of)	NOTICE OF HEARING
the West d/b/a CenturyLink)	
Nebraska; CenturyLink)	
Communications, LLC; and)	
Qwest Corporation d/b/a)	
CenturyLink QC,)	
)	Entered: June 13, 2022
Respondent.)	

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On May 20, 2021, a Formal Complaint was filed with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") by Platte Valley Financial Services Companies, Inc. ("Platte Valley" or "Complainant"), a Colorado corporation headquartered in Scottsbluff, Nebraska against United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink Nebraska ("UTC"), a Delaware corporation doing business in Nebraska. An Amended Complaint was filed in this matter on December 15, 2021, naming UTC, CenturyLink Communications, LLC, and Qwest Corporation d/b/a CenturyLink QC as Respondents. Answers to the Amended Complaint were timely filed by each of the Respondents.

On January 13, 2022, each of the Respondents filed a Motion to Dismiss the Amended Complaint. Briefs in opposition to the Motions to Dismiss were filed by the Complainant. Each of these briefs requested an oral argument on the Motions to Dismiss. Reply briefs on the matter were submitted by Respondents.

An oral argument on the Motions to Dismiss was set by order of the Hearing Officer on April 6, 2022. The oral argument was held on May 3, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room. Katherine McNamara appeared on behalf of the Respondents. Andy Pollock appeared on behalf of the Complainant. Each party presented an argument and a rebuttal. The oral argument was then adjourned.

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The Motions to Dismiss were denied by order of the Commission on May 24, 2022.

Procedural Schedule

On June 7, 2022, a planning conference was held with the parties to this docket. This order serves to formalize the timeline for proceedings in this docket.

A. Service

Parties may meet filing deadlines outlined herein by sending an electronic copy of the filing via electronic mail to sallie.dietrich@nebraska.gov and brittany.roos@nebraska.gov, so long as all parties are served via electronic mail contemporaneously.

B. Deadlines

Deadlines for various events and filings were established through communication with the parties and are set forth below. All filings are due by 5:00 p.m. Central Time unless otherwise noted.

Date	Event
Monday, September 12	Deadline to file exhibit lists and witness lists
Friday, September 16	Deadline for all motions or other filings
Wednesday, September 28, at 11:00 a.m. Central Time	Prehearing conference (if necessary)
Friday, September 30, at 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time	Hearing
Friday, October 14	Post-hearing briefs due

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C. Prehearing Conference

Motions submitted by the parties will be considered by the Hearing Officer at the prehearing conference, held on **Wednesday, September 28, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. Central Time**. This conference will be held via webconference, and access instructions will be sent to the parties the week prior to the conference.

If no motions are submitted, and there are no other outstanding issues which must be considered prior to hearing, the Commission will notify the parties that the prehearing conference will be cancelled.

D. Hearing

A hearing in the above-captioned docket will be held at the North Platte Natural Resources District, 100547 Airport Rd., Scottsbluff, Nebraska on **Friday, September 30, at 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time**. Access to the hearing via webconference will be made available.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the meeting, please call the Commission at (402) 471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Nebraska Relay System at (800) 833-7352 (TDD) or (800) 833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

D. Post-Hearing Briefs

If requested by the Hearing Officer at the conclusion of the hearing, parties may submit post-hearing briefs until **Friday, October 14, 2022 at 5:00 p.m. Central Time**. Post-hearing briefs shall be no longer than ten pages, double spaced, in a 12 point font. Briefs filed after the deadline or in excess of ten pages will not be accepted.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the deadlines and requirements established in this order and attached hereto are hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a prehearing conference on this matter will be held on **Wednesday, September 28, at 11:00 a.m. Central Time** via webconference.

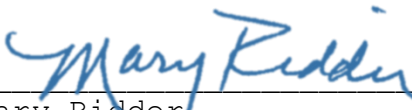
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IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that a hearing on this matter will be held on **Friday, September 30, at 8:30 a.m. Mountain Time** at the North Platte Natural Resources District, 100547 Airport Rd., Scottsbluff , Nebraska.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 13th day of June, 2022.

BY:



Mary Ridder
HEARING OFFICER