

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Commission,) Application No. C-3206
on its own motion, to administer)
the Nebraska Internet Enhancement) ORDER WITHDRAWING GRANT
Fund.)
) Entered: April 8, 2008

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On January 30, 2007, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) awarded a Nebraska Internet Enhancement Fund (NIEF) grant to, among others, the Village of Broadwater ("Broadwater"). Broadwater enlisted Mobius Communications Company ("Mobius") to install and deliver advanced telecommunications infrastructure and service pursuant to the NIEF Grant Agreement.

On March 24, 2008, Mobius submitted a letter to the Commission informing the Commission of Mobius's inability to go forward with the grant project for which Broadwater and Mobius had received NIEF grant funds in the amount of \$75,000. Mobius also sent a letter on the same date to Broadwater's Village Board informing them of the Mobius's inability to go forward with the project in the Broadwater area.

Mobius states that the costs of the project have risen considerably since the grant funding for the project was awarded in 2007. The project is no longer financially feasible or sustainable in the future. Therefore, Mobius and the Village of Broadwater informed the Commission they would be unable to accept the NIEF grant funds awarded by the Commission on January 30, 2007.

The Commission finds that it should grant Broadwater and Mobius's request the \$75,000 NIEF Grant awarded to the Village of Broadwater on January 30, 2007, should be withdrawn.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the NIEF grant awarded on January 30, 2007, to the Village of Broadwater be, and is hereby, withdrawn.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 8th day of April, 2008.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chair

ATTEST:

Executive Director