

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the)	Application No. C-3480/NUSF-49
Application of Mobius)	
Communications Co.,)	PLANNING CONFERENCE ORDER
Hemingford, seeking)	
designation as an Eligible)	
Telecommunications Carrier)	
that may receive federal and)	
state universal service)	
support.)	Entered: November 30, 2005

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On September 9, 2005 an application was filed by Mobius Communications Co., of Hemingford, Nebraska, seeking designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier that may receive federal and state universal service support. A Petition of Formal Intervention was timely filed by the Rural Independent Companies (RIC)¹. The Hearing Officer finds the Petition of the RIC to formally intervene should be granted.

The Commission held a planning conference to set up filing deadlines for this proceeding and to set a hearing date. Mark Fahleson appeared for the Applicant. James Overcash appeared for the formal intervenors. At the planning conference the Commission and the parties agreed the hearing should be held on January 11, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room. Prefiled testimony is due on or before January 4, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. CDT. Prefiled testimony should be electronically served to the parties on the service list, the Commission, and followed up with paper copies.

At present, the service list is as follows:

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¹ RIC is comprised of the following companies: Arlington Telephone Company, Blair Telephone Company, Cambridge Telephone Co, Clarks Telecommunications Co., Consolidated Telco, Inc. Consolidated Telcom, Inc. Consolidated Telephone Company, Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Great Plains Communications, Inc., Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc., Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company, K & M Telephone Company, Nebraska Central Telephone Company, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Rock County Telephone Company, Stanton Telecom Inc. and Three River Telco. See Petition for Formal Intervention (October 12, 2005) at 2.

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O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the hearing in this matter shall be held on January 11, 2006 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68508.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that prefiled testimony is due on January 4, 2006, as provided herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of November, 2005.

BY: _____
Gerald L. Vap
Hearing Officer