## BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Formal Application No. FC-1346 Complaint of Great Plains Communications, Inc. and Great Plains Broadband, Inc., Blair, v. Sprint Communications Company, L.P., Overland Park, Kansas, alleging failure to pay for intrastate switched access services. In the Matter of the Formal Application No. FC-1347 Complaint of Sprint Communications Company, L.P., Overland Park, Kansas, v. Great Plains Communications, Inc. and ORDER RESCHEDULING ORAL Great Plains Broadband, Inc., ARGUMENTS ON LEGAL THRESHOLD Blair, alleging unfair and **ISSUE** unreasonable intrastate switched access rates and inefficient network architecture. In the Matter of the Formal Application No. FC-1348 Complaint of AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc., Denver, Colorado, v. Arapahoe Telephone Company, Blair; Benkelman Telephone Company, Inc., Benkelman; Cambridge Telephone Company, Cambridge; Cozad Telephone Company, Cozad; Diller Telephone Company, Diller; Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Blair; Great Plains Communications, Inc., Blair; Hartington Telecommunications Company, Inc., Hartington; Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc., Benkelman; Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company, Henderson; Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company, Hershey; Hooper Telephone Company, Hooper; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Jackson; Rock County Telephone Company, Blair; Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc., Falls City; Three River Telco, Lynch; and Wauneta Telephone Company, Benkelman; alleging unfair and unreasonable intrastate switched

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access rates and inefficient
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network architecture.
In the Matter of the Formal
                                  ) Application No. FC-1349
Complaint of Sprint
Communications Company LP,
Overland Park, Kansas, v.
Arapahoe Telephone Company,
Blair; Benkelman Telephone
Company, Inc., Benkelman;
Cambridge Telephone Company,
Cambridge; Cozad Telephone
Company, Cozad; Diller Telephone
Company, Diller; Hartman
Telephone Exchanges, Inc.,
Benkelman; Henderson Cooperative
Telephone Company, Henderson;
Hershey Cooperative Telephone
Company, Hershey; Southeast
Nebraska Communications, Inc.,
Falls City and Wauneta Telephone
Company, Benkelman; alleging
unfair and unreasonable
intrastate switched access rates
and inefficient network
architecture.
                                     Entered:
                                               January 20, 2011
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## BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On September 17, 2010, a Formal Complaint was filed with the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") by Great Plains Communications, Inc. and Great Plains Broadband, Inc., (collectively "Great Plains") against Sprint Communications Company, L.P.,("Sprint"). An Answer was timely filed by Sprint. That Formal Complaint was docketed by the Commission as Application No. FC-1346.

On November 8, 2010, Sprint filed a Formal Complaint against Great Plains with the Commission. The Commission docketed the Sprint Formal Complaint as Application No. FC-1347. An Answer was timely filed by Great Plains.

On November 8, 2010, Sprint filed a Motion to Consolidate Application Nos. FC-1346 and FC-1347 pursuant to Commission Rules of Procedure. The motion was granted by the Hearing Officer in an order issued on November 10, 2010.

On November 17, 2010, a Formal Complaint was filed with the Commission by AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.("AT&T"), against Arapahoe Telephone Company; Benkelman Telephone Company,

Inc.; Cambridge Telephone Company; Cozad Telephone Company; Diller Telephone Company; Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company; Great Plains Communications, Inc.; Hartington Telecommunications Company, Inc.; Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc.; Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company; Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company; Hooper Telephone Company; Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company; Rock County Telephone Company; Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.; Three River Telco; and Wauneta Telephone Company. The Commission docketed the AT&T Formal Complaint as Application No. FC-1348. Hearing Officer orders entered in the docket have extended the response deadlines for the Respondents.

On December 14, 2010, Sprint filed a Formal Complaint against Arapahoe Telephone Company; Benkelman Telephone Company, Inc.; Cambridge Telephone Company; Cozad Telephone Company; Diller Telephone Company; Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc.; Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company; Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company; Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.; and Wauneta Telephone Company. The Commission docketed the December 14, 2010, Sprint Formal Complaint as Application No. FC-1349. Hearing Officer orders entered in the docket have extended the response deadlines for the Respondents.

On January 18, 2011, the Hearing Officer issued an order scheduling oral arguments on a certain legal threshold issue for February 17, 2011.

Due to scheduling conflicts, I am of the opinion and find that the oral arguments in the above-captioned matters, scheduled for February 17, 2011, should be moved to **Wednesday**, **February 23, 2011, at 1:30 p.m.**, in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

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 Commission at (402) 471-0213 (TDD) or 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.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Hearing Officer that the oral arguments in the above-captioned matter be, and it is hereby, rescheduled to **Wednesday**, **February 23, 2011**, at 1:30 p.m., in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium Building, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011.

BY:

Frank E. Landis HEARING OFFICER

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this  $20^{\text{th}}$  day of January, 2011.

BY:

Frank E. Landis HEARING OFFICER