

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska Public) Application No. NUSF-26
Service Commission, on its own motion)
seeking to establish a long-term) PREHEARING CONFERENCE
universal service funding mechanism) ORDER NO. 3
) Entered: March 6, 2002

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

In the Prehearing Conference Order entered herein on January 28, 2002, the Hearing Officer stated: "Limitation on cross-examination will be made known to the parties after March 4, 2002." The Commission has now received pre-filed testimony from interested parties. After review of such pre-filed testimony, the Hearing Officer hereby notifies the interested parties of the time limitation on cross-examination at the public hearing. In the interest of time, cross-examination at this hearing will be limited to a total of one and a half (1 ½) hours for each party. This limitation applies for all witnesses testfying, therefore, each attorney will be responsible for allocating his or her time among the several witnesses.

Any relevant motions must be filed and serviced on all parties to this proceeding at lease three business days before the hearing. Accordingly, any motions must be filed and serviced on the parties by March 13, 2002.

The public hearing will be held on March 18, 2002 at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission Hearing Room, Lincoln, Nebraska. The Commission has reserved time on March 19, 2002, in the event that more time is necessary.

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it is therefore ordered BY THE HEARING Officer that the foregoing limitation on cross-examination is hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any relevant motions be filed within the time period prescribed herein.

MADE AND ENTERED AT Lincoln, Nebraska this 6th day of March, 2002.

By:

HEARING OFFICER