

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska                    ) Application No. NUSF-33/  
Public Service Commission, on                    )                               PI-68  
its own motion, seeking to                    )  
investigate the audit                            ) AUDIT WAIVER ORDER  
requirements related to the                    )  
Nebraska Universal Service Fund.                )  
  ) Entered: November 24, 2014

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

The Nebraska Public Service Commission (Commission) opened this docket, on its own motion November 26, 2002, seeking to establish remittance audit requirements related to the Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF). The Commission established an audit policy in its Universal Service Fund Rules and Regulations, Neb. Admin. Code, Title 291, Ch. 10, effective September 16, 2002, and has been operating under that policy.

On April 10, 2007, the Commission entered an Order adopting remittance policies and establishing a waiver mechanism for certain qualifying carriers. On September 30, 2008, the Commission entered an Order modifying and clarifying the remittance policy and waiver mechanism.

This Order addresses the late-filed waiver requests filed by the following carriers for the NUSF Remittance audit due on December 31, 2014:

NE000592   Access Point  
NE000086   Cozad Telephone Company  
NE000481   CTI Long Distance, Inc.  
NE000109   Electric Lightwave, LLC  
NE000725   iWireless  
NE000264   Primus Telecommunications, Inc.  
NE000659   Telecom Management, Inc.  
NE000594   Telecom North America, Inc./fka 3U Telecom  
NE000793   Three River Digital Cable, LLC  
NE000848   WiMactel, Inc.  
NE000753   Yestel USA, Inc.

The Commission finds that the late-filed waiver requests received by the above-listed carriers should be accepted.

In addition, the Commission Staff reviewed the waiver requests to determine whether the requests met the Commission's conditions for a waiver. Based upon that review the Commission Staff recommends the Commission grant the waiver requests filed by the carriers listed above. Accordingly, the above-listed carriers are relived of the obligation to file the remittance audit due on December 31, 2014.

The Commission finds that the following company did not meet the waiver criteria designated by the Commission:

**NE000834 Dishnet Wireline f/k/a Liberty-Bell Telecom**

Therefore, Dishnet Wireline f/k/a Liberty-Bell Telecom must file the required audit on or before December 31, 2014.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the above findings be, and they are hereby, adopted as it relates to the waiver requests described herein.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2014.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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