

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. NUSF-50
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, seeking to make)
adjustments to the universal) ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENTS
service fund mechanism)
established in NUSF-26.)
January 24, 2012

BY THE COMMISSION:

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

The Commission, on an annual basis, has given the staff authorization to disburse Nebraska Universal Service Fund (NUSF) support to qualifying Nebraska eligible telecommunications carriers (NETCs) pursuant to methodology set in place by the Commission. Last year, the Commission gave authorization to the staff to make disbursements in an Order entered in the above-captioned docket on November 30, 2010. The Commission modified the Order Authorizing Payments on March 8, 2011, and on November 29, 2011.

For the calendar year of 2012, the Commission hereby authorizes its staff to pay up to \$42.5 million in high-cost wireline support, which includes support authorized for carriers in the Commission's NUSF-7 waiver orders, pursuant to the model adopted by the Commission in NUSF-26 as modified by the Commission Order issued in NUSF-50 on December 19, 2006. This authorized amount also includes support which should be disbursed to designated competitive local exchange carriers (CLECs) in compliance with the Commission's CLEC orders.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the staff be authorized to make high-cost program disbursements for calendar year 2012 as described above.

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MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 24th day of
January, 2012.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Tim Scham

Chairman

Rod Johnson

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//s// Rod Johnson

ATTEST:

John Burdick

Deputy Director