BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska) Application No. NUSF-50
Public Service Commission, on)
its own motion, to make) MOTION FOR EXTENSION GRANTED
adjustments to the universal)
service fund mechanism)
established in NUSF-26.) Entered: February 14, 2006

BY THE HEARING OFFICER:

On February 14, 2006, the Rural Independent Companies (RIC)¹ filed a motion requesting the Commission extend the deadline for all interested parties to file written comments in response to the Commission's Progression Order No. 1, entered on January 18, 2006, from February 24, 2006 to March 24, 2006. RIC submits that extra time is required to respond to approximately 35 separate issues on which the Commission has requested comment.

After considering RIC's motion, I find said motion should be granted.

ORDER

IT IS THERFORE ORDERED by the hearing officer that the deadline for filing written comments in response to Commission Progression Order No. 1 in Docket No. NUSF-50, be extended to March 24, 2006 and that reply comments be filed on or before April 24, 2006.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this 14th day of February, 2006.

By:	
	Frank E. Landis
	Hearing Officer

¹ RIC is composed of the following companies: Arlington Telephone Company, Blair Telephone Company, Cambridge Telephone Co., Clarks Telephone Co., Consolidated Telephone Company, Consolidated Telco Inc., Consolidated Telcom, Inc., Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company, Great Plains Communications, Inc., Hartington Telecommunications Co., Inc., Hershey Cooperative Telephone Company, Inc., K & M Telephone Company, Inc., Nebraska Central Telephone Company, Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company, Rock County Telephone Company, Stanton Telephone Co., Inc., and Three River Telco.