## 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.	)	
	)	Entered: December 17, 2013

## BY THE COMMISSION:

## OPINION AND FINDINGS

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 January 8, 2013. The Commission modified the Order Authorizing Payments on November 13, 2013.

For the calendar year of 2014, the Commission hereby authorizes its staff to pay up to \$41,940,000 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.

## ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the staff be authorized to make high-cost program disbursements for calendar year 2014 as described above.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska this  $17^{\rm th}$  day of December, 2013.

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