October 6, 2025

Leah Mohr, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Capitol Building, 1st floor 500 E. Capitol Ave. Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Ms. Mohr,

In accordance with the Commission's requirements in granting waiver of the South Dakota ETC Filing requirements, attached with this letter is verification that Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company received its ETC Certification from Nebraska in 2025.

Yours truly,

NORTHEAST NEBRASKA TELEPHONE COMPANY

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Enclosure



PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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54.314(A) State Certification Letter 2025 Submissions

September 23, 2025

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission - Office of the Secretary 9050 Junction Drive Annapolis Junction, MD 20701

Universal Service Administrative Company Attn: High Cost Division 700 12th Street NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20005

RE: CC Docket No. 96-45/WC Docket No. 10-90/WC Docket No. 14-58, Annual State Certification for High-Cost Support

Pursuant to the requirements of 47 C.F. R. § 54.314, the Nebraska Public Service Commission (NPSC) hereby certifies to the Federal Communications Commission and the Universal Service Administrative Company that the telecommunications carriers included in this letter and the attached NPSC order are eligible to receive federal high-cost support for the program years cited.

The Nebraska Public Service Commission certifies that for the carriers listed, all high-cost support provided to such carriers within Nebraska was used in the preceding calendar year of **2024**, and will be used in the coming calendar year of **2026**, only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

A checklist of certified carriers is attached to the Nebraska Public Service Commission's Order.

Sincerely,

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Mr. Cullen Robbins, Director

Communications/Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department

Nebraska Public Service Commission

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September 23, 2025



CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I, Gregory J. Walklin, Executive Director of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, certify that the enclosed is a true and correct copy of the original Order made and entered in the proceeding docketed as <u>Application No. NUSF-25</u>, <u>Progression Order No. 47</u>, <u>NUSF-66 on the 23rd of September 2025</u>. The original Order is filed and recorded in the official records of the Commission.

Please direct any questions concerning this Order to Cullen Robbins, Director, at 402-471-3101.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Nebraska Public Service Commission, Lincoln, Nebraska, on the 23rd of September 2025.

Sincerely.

Gregory J. Walklin Executive Director

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SECRETARY'S RECORD, PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Nebraska Public)	SF-25
Service Commission, on its own motion,) Progression Order N	Io. 47
seeking to establish guidelines for the)	
purpose of certifying the use of federal)	
universal service support.		
)	
In the Matter of the Nebraska Public)	SF-66
Service Commission, on its own motion,)	
seeking to establish guidelines for the) ORDER CERTIFYING CA	ARRIERS
purpose of certifying the use of state)	
universal service support.) Entered: September 2	3, 2025

BY THE COMMISSION:

OPINION AND FINDINGS

On May 15, 2007, the Nebraska Public Service Commission ("Commission") established a detailed process for verifying whether all federal high-cost support was, in the preceding year, and in the next calendar year, used for the intended purpose pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996; and whether all state high-cost support was and would be used for its intended purpose pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 86-324. *See* Application Nos. NUSF-25/NUSF-66, Progression Order #18 (May 15, 2007). Consistent with the Commission's findings, all designated eligible telecommunications carriers ("ETCs") and all Nebraska designated eligible telecommunications carriers ("NETCs")¹ receiving high-cost support were required to file historical and prospective documentation describing their use of federal and state high-cost universal service support. These annual filings are due on June 1st of each year.

On November 18, 2011, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") issued its Universal Service and Intercarrier Compensation Transformation Order (Transformation Order)² which, inter alia, modified the certification requirements

¹ The Commission designates ETCs as eligible to receive federal high-cost universal service fund support pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Commission designates NETCs as eligible to receive state high-cost universal service fund support pursuant to the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Act ("NUSF Act").

² See Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications, WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 14-58, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 29 FCC Rcd 8769 (2014).

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for ETCs. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.314, state commissions are required to conduct a detailed review of each ETC's historical and prospective documentation describing the use of federal universal service support. State commissions are then required to determine whether universal service support was used for its intended purpose in the preceding calendar year and will be used for its intended purpose in the following calendar year.³

Upon completion of its review, the Commission hereby finds that the following carriers have filed adequate information to demonstrate that they have used all federal high-cost support in the preceding calendar year, and will continue to use all federal high-cost universal service support in the coming year for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which support is intended, pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 54.314 (2015) and WC Docket Nos. 14-58 and 10-90:

COMPANY NAME	STUDY AREA CODE (SAC)
Allo Communications, LLC	379010
AMG Technology Investment Group	379035
Arapahoe Telephone Company	371516
Arlington Telephone Company	371517
Benkelman Telephone Company	372455
Blair Telephone Company	371524
Cambridge Telephone Company	371526
Citizens Telecommunications Company of Nebraska	371128
Consolidated Telco, Inc.	371530
Consolidated Telecom, Inc.	371562
Consolidated Telephone Company	371532
Cox Nebraska Telcom, LLC	379001
Cozad Telephone Company	371534
Curtis Telephone Co.	371536
Dalton Telephone Company, LLC	371537
Diller Telephone Company	371540
Eastern Nebraska Telephone Company	371542
Elsie Communications, LLC	371518

³ See, 47 C.F.R. § 54.314.

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Glenwood Membership Corporation	
Glenwood Network Services, Inc.	371567
Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative	391659
Great Plains Communications, LLC	371577
Hamilton Long Distance Company	379038
Hamilton Telephone Company	371555
Hartington Telecommunications Co. Inc.	371556
Hartman Telephone Exchanges, Inc.	371557
Hemingford Cooperative Telephone Company	371558
Henderson Cooperative Telephone Company	371559
Hershey Cooperative Telephone	371561
Hooper Telephone Company	371563
Huntel Cablevision, Inc. dba Fastwyre	379016
Inventive Wireless of Nebraska, LLC	379037
K & M Telephone Company, Inc.	371565
Midstates Data Transport	N/A
Mobius Communications Company	379014
NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.	379008
	379036
Nebraska Central Telephone Company	371574
Nebraska Technology and Telecommunications	379004
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company	371576
Pierce Telephone Company, Inc.	371581
Pinpoint Communications, Inc.	379003
Plainview Telephone Company, Inc.	371582
Qwest Corporation	375143
Rock County Telephone Company	371586
Skywave Wireless, Inc.	379040
Sodtown Communications, Inc.	371590
Southeast Nebraska Communications, Inc.	371591
Stanton Telecom, Inc.	371592
Three River Communications, LLC	379015
Three River Telco	371525
United Telephone Company of the West d/b/a CenturyLink	371595
Vivian Telephone Company	391686
Wauneta Telephone Company	371597
Windstream Nebraska, Inc.	371568

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Accordingly, the Commission will provide certification to the Administrator of the federal high-cost universal service support mechanisms and the FCC, that the above-listed carriers have used federal high-cost support in the preceding calendar year (2024) and will continue to use federal high-cost universal service support in the coming year (2026) only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and/or service for which the support is intended in accordance with § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended.

Certification in this Order shall not be construed as precedent as to the sufficiency of the information considered acceptable by the Commission in subsequent years.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Department certify to the Administrator of the federal high-cost universal service support mechanisms and the Federal Communications Commission, that the above-listed eligible telecommunications carriers have used and will continue to use in the coming year federal high-cost support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and/or service for which the support is intended in accordance with § 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended.

ENTERED AND MADE EFFECTIVE at Lincoln, Nebraska this 23rd day of September 2025.

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ATTEST:

Chair

Executive Director

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

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From: admin@hcportal.usac.org on behalf of hccerts@usac.org

To: Rea, Shelly
Cc: hccerts@usac.org

Subject: 54.314 Certification Confirmation

Date: Tuesday, September 23, 2025 10:37:37 AM



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Annual ETC Certification (54.314 Certification of Support)

Congratulations. The Study Area Codes (SACs) you selected for this filing year have been successfully certified.

Filing Status: Certified - On Time

Filing Year: 2025 Filing Number: 1

Certification Type: 54.314: State-Certified

Submission Type: Online

Certification Date and Time: 09/23/2025 11:37 AM ET

Filing Created By: SHELLY REA

SAC	498 ID/SPIN	Carrier Name
371128	143022269	CITIZENS-FRONTIER-NE
371516	143002157	ARAPAHOE TEL CO
371517	143002158	ARLINGTON TEL CO
371518	143035631	ELSIE COMM., INC.
371524	143002159	BLAIR TEL CO
371525	143002160	THREE RIVER TELCO
371526	143002161	CAMBRIDGE TEL CO -NE
371530	143002162	CONSOLIDATED TELCO
371531	143002736	CLARKS TELECOM CO.
371532	143002164	CONSOLIDATED TELCO
371534	143002165	COZAD TEL CO
371536	143002166	CURTIS TEL CO
371537	143002167	DALTON TEL CO, INC
371540	143002168	DILLER TEL CO
371542	143002169	EASTERN NEBRASKA TEL
371553	143002172	GLENWOOD TEL MEMBER
371555	143002173	HAMILTON TEL CO

37	1556	143002174	HARTINGTON TEL CO
37	1557	143002175	HARTMAN TEL EXCH INC
37	1558	143002176	HEMINGFORD COOP TEL
37	1559	143002177	HENDERSON CO-OP TEL
37	1561	143002178	HERSHEY COOP TEL CO
37	1562	143023852	CONSOLIDATED TELECOM
37	1563	143002180	HOOPER TEL CO
37	1565	143002181	K & M TEL CO, INC
37	1567	143002182	Glenwood Network Services, Inc
37	1568	143030766	WINDSTREAM NE
37	1574	143002184	NEBRASKA CENTRAL TEL
37	1576	143002736	NORTHEAST NEBRASKA TEL. CO.
37	1577	143002186	GREAT PLAINS COMMUN
37	1581	143002188	PIERCE TEL CO
37	1582	143002189	PLAINVIEW TEL CO
37	1586	143002190	ROCK COUNTY TEL CO
37	1590	143002191	Sodtown Communications, Inc.
37	1591	143002192	SE NEBRASKA TEL CO
37	1592	143002193	STANTON TELECOM INC.
37	1595	143002194	UTC OF THE WEST-NE
37	1597	143002195	WAUNETA TEL CO
37	2455	143002196	BENKELMAN TEL CO
37	5143	143005231	QWEST CORP-NE
37	6137	143048062	Skybeam, LLC
37	6138	143048062	Skybeam, LLC
37	8001	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8002	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8003	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8004	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8006	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8012	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8013	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
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	8015	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8017	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
	8018	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
	8019	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
	8020	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
	8021	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
	8023	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
37	8024	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.

378028	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
378029	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
378030	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
378033	143037101	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
378034	143037103	Pinpoint Wireless, Inc.
378035	143037103	Pinpoint Wireless, Inc.
379001	143015410	COX NEBRASKA TELCOM II, L.L.C.
379003	143021783	PINPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
379004	143016072	NEBRASKA TECH. & TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.
379005	143008900	WESTERN WIRELESS CORP.
379007	143006742	NPCR, INC.
379008	143008374	NORTH EAST COLORADO CELLULAR, INC.
379010	143028372	ALLO COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
379014	143029763	MOBIUS COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, HEMINGFORD
379015	143027175	THREE RIVER COMMUNICATIONS, LLC
379016	143025839	HUNTEL CABLEVISION DBA HUNTEL COMMUNICATIONS
379017	143001133	BIG RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, LLC
379019	143011191	USCOC OF NEBRASKA/KANSAS LLC DBA U.S. CELLULAR
379035	143036566	AMG Technology Investment Group, LLC d/b/a NextLink Internet
379036	143008374	NE Colorado Cellular, Inc.
379037	143031755	Inventive Wireless of Nebraska, LLC dba Vistabeam
379038	143015338	Hamilton Long Distance Company
379039	143019528	Glenwood Telecommunications, Inc.
379040	143029872	Skywave Wireless, Inc.
391659	143002233	GOLDEN WEST TELECOMM
391686	143002233	VIVIAN TELEPHONE CO

Sincerely,

Universal Service Administrative Company