

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3096
of Great Plains Communications,)
Inc., Blair, for Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission) PLANNING CONFERENCE
Requirement to Implement) ORDER AND NOTICE OF
Wireline-Wireless Number) HEARING
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3110
of Clarks Telecommunications Co.)
For Suspension or Modification of)
the Federal Communications)
Commission Requirement to)
Implement Wireline-Wireless)
Number Portability Pursuant to 47)
U.S.C. § 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3111
of Consolidated Telephone)
Company, Consolidated Telco, Inc.)
and Consolidated Telcom, Inc. For)
Suspension or Modification of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3112
of Hamilton Telephone Company For)
Suspension or Modification of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3113
of Hartington Telecommunications)
Co., Inc. For Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3114
of Hershey Cooperative Telephone)
Co. For Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3115
of K & M Telephone Company, Inc.)
For Suspension or Modification of)
the Federal Communications)
Commission Requirement to)
Implement Wireline-Wireless)
Number Portability Pursuant to 47)
U.S.C. § 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3116
of Nebraska Central Telephone)
Company For Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3117
of Northeast Nebraska Telephone)
Company For Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3118
of Sodtown Telephone Company For)
Suspension or Modification of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3119
of Stanton Telecom, Inc. For)
Suspension or Modification of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3120
of Three River Telco For)
Suspension or Modification of the)
Federal Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3121
of Eastern Nebraska Telephone)
Company For Suspension or)
Modification of the Federal)
Communications Commission)
Requirement to Implement)
Wireline-Wireless Number)
Portability Pursuant to 47 U.S.C.)
§ 251(f)(2).)

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-3122
of Rock County Telephone Company)
For Suspension or Modification of)
the Federal Communications)
Commission Requirement to)
Implement Wireline-Wireless)
Number Portability Pursuant to 47)
U.S.C. § 251(f)(2).)

Entered: March 30, 2004

BY THE COMMISSION:

On March 22, 2004, the Commission held a planning conference in the above-captioned applications. Notice of the planning conference was sent by order of the Commission on March 16, 2004, and by letter sent on March 19, 2004. Appearances were entered by Paul Schudel and James Overcash for the applicants; by Steven G. Seglin For Verizon Wireless and Western Wireless; by Monica Barone for Sprint; by Tim Clare representing other applicants requesting local number portability (LNP) relief; and by Shana Knutson, on behalf of the Commission staff.

As a result of the planning conference, several issues were decided. This order serves to memorialize those decisions and to provide a timeline for proceeding in these dockets.

Deadline	Event
April 6, 2004	All written discovery shall be served. No further written discovery between the parties shall take place after this date unless otherwise approved by the Hearing Officer.
April 27, 2004	Answers to Interrogatories and Responses to Requests for Production and Responses to Requests for Admissions are due.
May 14, 2004	Deadline for filing concurrent Direct Testimony. This deadline applies to all parties and to all Informal Intervenors.
May 28, 2004	Concurrent Reply Testimony is due.

During the planning conference, the parties were requested by the Hearing Officer to work out mutually agreeable limits on discovery. The Commission staff was notified that while the Intervenors would operate in good faith and avoid duplication where they could, no limitation on the number of interrogatories other than those already imposed by Rule 33(a) of the Nebraska Rules of Discovery was preferred. The Commission finds that given the limited amount of time this procedural schedule allows, that it should limit the parties to 30 interrogatories a

piece including subparts for each application. Should any party need to exceed this limitation, it must first show good cause to the Commission.

Finally, the hearings in the above-referenced applications will commence on **June 2, 2004**, at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The hearings will continue through **June 3, 2004**, starting at 9:00 a.m., and if necessary, on **June 4, 2004**, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The parties are jointly responsible for acquiring an outside court reporter for the hearings. The parties made a commitment at the planning conference to work out a fair arrangement in allocating the cost of the reporting service amongst them.

If auxiliary aids or reasonable accommodations are needed for attendance at the hearings, please call the Commission at (402)471-3101. For people with hearing/speech impairments, please call the Commission at (402)471-0213 (TDD) or the Nebraska Relay System at (800)833-7352 (TDD) or (800)833-0920 (Voice). Advance notice of at least seven days is needed when requesting an interpreter.

Following the hearings, parties should submit proposed orders on or before July 6, 2004.

Any remaining issues that the parties would like to address should be brought before the Commission prior to hearings if possible.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission in the above-captioned applications that the foregoing schedule for submission and service of the items discussed above is hereby adopted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the hearings in the above-captioned applications will commence on June 2, 2004 at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 300 The Atrium, 1200 N Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. The hearings will continue on June 3 and 4, 2004, as necessary.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 30th day of
March, 2004.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director