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**PSC SEEKS APPLICATIONS FOR TWO NUSF ADVISORY BOARD SEATS**

LINCOLN – The Public Service Commission is seeking to fill two vacancies on the Nebraska Universal Service Fund Advisory Board.

One position will represent the telecommunications industry and will replace Bob Lanphier of Qwest Communications, whose appointment expired February 2005. The second position will represent Nebraska schools and will replace Alan Wibbels of Kearney, whose appointment also expired February 2005. Both Lanphier and Wibbels have served on the Advisory Board since its creation in 1998.

Board members serve without pay for three-year terms. They work with the Commission and the staff of the Nebraska Universal Service Fund Department at the Commission. The Board advises the Commission on the administration of the Universal Service Fund. The NUSF Advisory Board, in total, is comprised of one representative each of elementary and secondary education, libraries, rural health care providers, three representatives of the telecommunications industry, two representatives of the public and one representative of the Commission.

Persons currently employed in either the telecommunications or education sectors in Nebraska that are interested in serving on this Board, should submit a letter of interest to Jeff Pursley, Nebraska Public Service Commission, P. O. Box 94927, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509. Application letters should be received prior to May 12, 2005.

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