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### **PSC TO STUDY NEBRASKA COMMUTER SERVICE**

LINCOLN – The Nebraska Public Service Commission opened an investigation at its November 29 meeting to gather information and ideas from the public regarding commuter transportation services.

“There are many issues facing our transportation system that should be examined,” Commissioner Anne Boyle of Omaha said. “The benefits of a commuter system compared to high gasoline costs, highway maintenance and increased traffic congestion are among the issues that should be studied,” she said.

“The Commission will provide a forum for discussions of these and other transportation issues,” said Commissioner Frank Landis of Lincoln. The Commission regulates intrastate transportation and expects to receive comment from those interested in immediate and long-range transportation matters.

Among the issues that the Commission will consider in its investigation are whether there is a need for a commuter service, the potential costs of a system for users of the system and the providers of transportation, infrastructure and equipment needs, and possible funding sources. Persons submitting comments may raise any other relevant issues.

Individuals or organizations wishing to comment to the Commission must do so prior to February 1, 2006. The study will be conducted by the Commission’s Motor Transportation Department. Inquiries may be directed to Motor Transportation Director, Mark Breiner.

The Commission at a later date will schedule a public hearing on the matter.

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