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Parties also must send three paper copies of their filing to Sheryl Todd, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 5-B540, Washington, DC 20554. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

Pursuant to § 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.1206, this proceeding will be conducted as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which ex parte communications are permitted subject to disclosure.

Federal Communications Commission.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[CC Docket No. 94-129; DA 03-3832]

### Joint Petition of Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company and Nebcom, Inc. and Petitions of Great Plains Communications, Inc. and the Nebraska Central Telephone Company for Waiver of the Requirement That a Local Exchange Carrier Verify Inbound Requests of Customers Who Want To Change to an Affiliated Interexchange Carrier

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This document seeks public comment on petitions filed requesting a waiver of the requirement that a local exchange carrier (LEC) verify the inbound carrier change request(s) when a customer seeks to switch to the LECs interexchange carrier affiliate.

**DATES:** Interested parties may file comments in this proceeding on or before January 2, 2004. Reply comments may be filed on or before January 20, 2004. Parties that may have already submitted comments in this proceeding need not resubmit those comments unless they choose to update them.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. *See*

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further filing instructions.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nancy Stevenson, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, Policy Division at (202) 418-7039 (voice), or e-mail at [Nancy.Stevenson@fcc.gov](mailto:Nancy.Stevenson@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** When filing comments, please reference CC Docket No. 94-129. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. *See* Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121, May 1, 1998. Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must

transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Services mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room TW-B204, Washington, DC 20554.

Parties who choose to file by paper should also submit their comments on diskette. These diskettes should be submitted, along with three paper copies, to: Nancy Stevenson, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau, Policy Division, 445 12th Street, SW., Room 4-C763, Washington DC 20554. Such a submission should be on a 3.5 inch diskette formatted in an IBM compatible format using Word 97 or compatible software. The diskette should be accompanied by a cover letter and should be submitted in "read only" mode. The diskette should be clearly

<sup>1</sup> Reminder—Filing Locations for Paper Documents and Instructions for Mailing Electronic Media, Public Notice, DA 03-2730 (rel. Aug. 22, 2003).