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January 25, 2021

The Honorable Pete Ricketts  
Governor of the State of Nebraska  
State Capitol, Second Floor Northeast  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Patrick J. O'Donnell  
Clerk of the Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 2018  
Lincoln, NE 68509

Re: Neb. Rev. Stat. § 4-113 Annual Report

Dear Governor Ricketts and Mr. O'Donnell:

Please accept this letter as the Nebraska Public Service Commission's report on Public Benefit Verification Compliance for January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, pursuant to Sec. 6 of LB 403, 2009 Legislature, codified as Neb. Rev. Stat. § 4-113.

The Commission administers two programs that require eligibility status verifications through Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE): the Nebraska Telephone Assistance Program (NTAP), which assists qualifying low-income individuals with obtaining and retaining telephone service by lowering monthly service and connection costs; and the Nebraska Specialized Telecommunications Equipment Program (NSTEP), which enables qualified deaf, hard-of-hearing and/or speech impaired citizens to obtain specialized telecommunications equipment at no cost.

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The Commission reports the following activity for calendar year 2021:

<b>Program</b>	<b>Applications Received</b>	<b>Lawful Presence Verified</b>	<b>Applications Denied Due to Lack of Lawful Presence</b>
NTAP	93	5	0
NSTEP	908	3	0

Please contact me at 402-471-0221 or [Thomas.Golden@nebraska.gov](mailto:Thomas.Golden@nebraska.gov), should you have any questions about this report.

Sincerely,



Thomas W. Golden  
Executive Director