## **2019 Annual Customer Notice**





## **Annual Customer Notice**

This notice contains important information concerning your cable television services. We provide this notice as a service to our customers and in accordance with applicable federal law and Federal Communications Commission regulations. We encourage you to review the following information and contact us at 1.888.343.8014, Option 3 or email us at contactus@gpcom.com with any questions.

#### **Customer Privacy**

To provide cable television service, we must collect and maintain personally identifiable customer information including billing records, service, maintenance, and repair records, premium service subscription information, marketing information, and subscriber communication history. All personally identifiable information is solely for the normal business purpose of offering and rendering cable television service, and may only be accessed by persons authorized by Great Plains Communications including designated employees and sales agents, billing and collections services, accountants, programming providers, and other designated businesses. The company maintains personally identifiable customer information for the duration of service agreement and reasonable time period thereafter.

## **Disclosure Prohibited; Exceptions**

Federal law prohibits the disclosure of personally identifiable information without customer consent, except to (A) obtain information necessary to render a cable service or other service provided by the cable operator to the subscriber; or (B) detect unauthorized reception of cable communications. Great Plains Communications may disclose names and addresses for non-cable services, such as mailing lists, unless otherwise notified in writing by the customer. No such disclosure may reveal directly or indirectly the cable services you view or other transactions.

We must disclose personally identifiable information without customer consent if required to do so by law enforcement authorities or by a court order. If Great Plains Communications is served with a court order requiring disclosure, we will promptly inform the customer before releasing any information, and the customer will have the opportunity to contest.

## **Customer Rights**

Customers may review personal information maintained by Great Plains Communications by calling 1.888.343.8014, Option 3 and setting an appointment during normal business hours. Customers may request correction of any errors in personally identifiable information collected or maintained, and have the right under federal law to enforce cable privacy rights through civil action in federal district court.

#### **Customer Service**

#### **Complaint Procedures**

Great Plains Communications aims to provide the finest-quality cable television services. We strive to answer any questions, and resolve any issues concerning cable television service as soon as possible utilizing the following customer communication and service request procedures.



- 1. Contact our business office at 888.343.8014, option 3.
- 2. During normal business hours, you may speak with a Customer Response Representative who will attempt to answer questions or troubleshoot and resolve any service issues. If necessary, the Customer Response Representative will schedule a service technician to visit your home, usually within 24-36 hours. We do not charge for service calls if our equipment caused the problem.
- 3. Emergencies such as fallen trees or utility poles, violent storms or very cold weather may interfere with cable service. Great Plains Communications crews are promptly dispatched to alleviate any service interruptions in a timely fashion. Keep in mind that the time to restore service will be determined by the magnitude of these situations.
- 4. We maintain customer contact records for a minimum of one year. Records are available for inspection by the applicable local franchise authority and the Federal Communications Commission.

If a question is not answered or an issue is not resolved to your satisfaction, please contact Great Plains Communications with any concerns. You may also contact your franchise authority at the address below:

## **Franchise Authority Contact Information**

#### **Village of Arnold**

Patty Lamberty, Village Clerk 209 West 1st Street Arnold, NE 69120 308.848.2228

#### Village of Bancroft

Megan Novak, Village Clerk 322 Main Street Bancroft, NE 68004 402.648.3332

#### **City of Bloomfield**

Collette Panning City Administrator PO Box 157 Bloomfield, NE 68718 402.373.2272

## **City of Broken Bow**

Stephanie Wright, City Clerk clerk@cityofbrokenbow.org PO Box 504 Broken Bow, NE 68822 308.872.5831

## **City of Callaway**

Lanett Conroy, City Clerk PO Box 157 Callaway, NE 68825 308.836.2262

## **Village of Center**

Rhonda York, Village Clerk PO Box 86 Center, NE 68724 402.288.4236

## **City of Chadron**

Donna Rust, City Clerk PO Box 390 Chadron, NE 69337 308.432.0505

## Village of Chapman

Laurie Killin, Village Clerk 323 8th Street Chapman, NE 68827 308.986.2266

## **City of Creighton**

Lindsay Nelson, City Clerk 809 Main Street PO Box 188 Creighton, NE 68729 402.358.3557

## **Franchise Authority Contact Information (Continued)**

#### **City of Crofton**

Marla Wortmann, City Clerk 1210 W. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Crofton, NE 68730 402.388.4766

#### **Village of Dodge**

Lori Kathol, Village Clerk 226 Elm Street Dodge, NE 68633 402.693.2239

#### **City of Elgin**

Vicki Miller, City Clerk PO Box 240 Elgin, NE 68636 402.843.5822

#### **Village of Ewing**

Sharon Swails, Village Clerk 209 Nebraska Street PO Box 333 Ewing, NE 68735 402.626.7718

#### **City of Gordon**

Kim Buchan, City Clerk PO Box 310 Gordon, NE 69343 308.282.0837

## **City of Grant**

Jessie Faber, City Clerk 342 Central Grant, NE 69140 308.352.2100

## **Village of Hayes Center**

Jan Singleton, Village Clerk PO Box 98 Hayes Center, NE 69032 308.286.3411

## **City of Hay Springs**

Kaylee Taylor, City Clerk 234 North Main PO Box B Hay Springs, NE 69347 308.638.7275

#### **City of Imperial**

Jo Leyland, City Clerk 740 Court Street Imperial, NE 69033 308.882.4368

#### **City of McCook**

Lea Ann Doak, City Clerk W 5<sup>th</sup> and C Street McCook, NE 69001 308.345.2022

#### City of Neligh

Dana Klabenes, City Clerk 202 Main Street Neligh, NE 68756 402.887.4066

#### **Village of Niobrara**

Mona Weatherwax, Village Clerk 127 Spruce Street Niobrara, NE 68760 402.857.3372

#### **City of North Bend**

Theresa Busse, City Clerk PO Box 401 North Bend, NE 68649 402.652.3584

## Village of Oakdale

Vicky Carstens, Village Clerk PO Box 10 Oakdale, NE 68761 402.776.2484

## **Village of Oconto**

Penny Jefferey, Village Clerk PO Box 128 Oconto, NE 68860 308.858.4537 308.870.3549

## **Village of Palisade**

Nicole Wiese, Village Clerk PO Box 288 Palisade, NE 69040 308.285.3320

#### **City of Petersburg**

Jean Stokes, City Clerk PO Box 147 Petersburg, NE 68652 402.386.5551

#### **City of Plainview**

Courtney Retzlaff, City Clerk 205 West Locust Plainview, NE 68769 402.582.4928

#### **City of Ponca**

Denise Peterson, City Clerk 123 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street PO Box 465 Ponca, NE 68770 402.755.4165

#### **City of Rushville**

Traci Fedderson & Connie Roffers, City Clerks PO Box 99 Rushville, NE 69360 308.327.2221

## **City of Scribner**

Ed Howard, City Clerk PO Box D Scribner, NE 68057 402.664.3231

#### **City of Snyder**

Patty Knobbe, Village Clerk 125 Ash Street Snyder, NE 68664 402.568.2306

## **Village of Stapleton**

Vacant, Village Clerk PO Box 133 Stapleton, NE 69163 308.636.2960

### **Franchise Authority Contact Information (Continued)**

#### **Village of Sutherland**

Madelaine Lamm, Village Clerk 1200 1st Street PO Box 277 Sutherland, NE 69165 308.386.4721

#### **Village of Trenton**

Wendy McKain, Village Clerk 402 Main Street Trenton, NE 69044 308.334.5488

#### **Village of Venango**

Dennis Eckdahl, Village Clerk PO Box 4 Venango, NE 69168 308.447.5757

#### **Village of Verdigre**

Hedi Ruzika, Village Clerk PO Box 330 Verdigre, NE 68783 402.668.2621

#### **City of Wausa**

Karen Kleinschmit, City Clerk 406 East Broadway Street Wausa, NE 68786 402.586.2311

#### **Village of Winnetoon**

Willard Vrooman, Village Clerk 305 Sherman Avenue Winnetoon, NE 68789 402.847.3273

#### Village of Wolbach

Bonnie Gilpin, Village Clerk PO Box 97 Wolbach, NE 68882 308.246.5278

#### **Village of Wynot**

Rose Rolfes, Village Clerk PO Box 61 Wynot, NE 68792 402.357.2298 402.357.2130

## **Service and Pricing**

Please contact us at 1.888.343.8014, Option 3 or visit www.gpcom.com to view service and pricing information including

- Available products and services
- Pricing, tier and bundle options
- Channel line ups
- Installation and maintenance policies and pricing
- Operating instructions and tutorial videos

## **Equipment Compatibility**

**Digital Converter.** If service is received through a digital converter, it may not support all special features and functions on TVs and recording devices. For example, the converter may not be compatible with TV functions which allow viewing of a program on one channel while simultaneously recording a program on another; and may not use advanced picture generation and display features such as Picture-in-Picture.

**Remote Control Devices.** Remote control devices available from retail outlets may not be compatible with Great Plains Communications set-top boxes.

#### **General Policies**

**Equipment:** The equipment Great Plains Communications provides to customers is and shall remain the property of the company and must be returned when service is discontinued for any reason or at any time the company wishes to exchange or upgrade equipment. Failure to return equipment will result in a charge being made to the customer's account. The company will replace or repair equipment at no charge in the event of failure due to normal use. Equipment damaged as a result of customer negligence may be subject to replacement charges.

#### **General Policies (Continued)**

**Billing:** All charges are billed and payable in advance. Billing periods are notated on billing statements. Call 888.343.8014 with any billing questions or inquiries.

**Late Payment Policy:** Charges for services are due and payable upon receipt of the monthly statement. Accounts with a balance due after notated due date will be assessed a late fee of 1.5% of the balance or \$10.00, whichever is greater. If an account remains unpaid for more than 45 days, service may be disconnected. Payment of the account balance, a reconnect charge, and service and equipment deposit will be required to restore service after disconnection.

**Adult at Home:** To protect both customers and employees, company policy dictates that installers and technicians WILL NOT enter a home unless an adult 18 years or older is present.

**Repair Policy/Trip Charge:** Great Plains Communications performs repair service at no charge if the issue is related to company equipment or the Great Plains Communications lines located outside of the customer's home. However, the customer may incur a trip charge for repair visits if the issue is caused by defective electronic equipment the customer has purchased, damage inflicted by anything other than normal use, or by improper alterations made to the original installation, etc.

**Disconnect Policy:** The customer may request cable service disconnection at any time. Billing will cease on the disconnection date subject to any contract requirements. To avoid any further liability, all equipment must be returned to Great Plains Communications on the day of disconnection.

**Change of Service:** The customer may change the combination of service at any time unless otherwise dictated by current contract requirements. Call our Customer Response Center at 888.343.8014 for pricing and scheduling information.

**Additional Outlets:** Federal government rules hold us responsible for ensuring that our cable system does not "leak" into the air. Therefore, it is advised that company equipment be used on all additional outlets, and that a Great Plains Communications technician performs the installation. The company repair policy applies to additional outlets.

**Service Interruptions:** From time to time equipment failures can occur. Great Plains Communications attempts to respond to service interruptions within 48 hours of customer notification during the normal work week. If the company fails to respond within 48 hours, the customer may receive credit on a prorate basis. Periodically, certain maintenance procedures that will interrupt service must be performed. Great Plains Communications will keep these times to a minimum and apologizes for any inconvenience. It is very important for customers to notify the company when service is interrupted.

**Sports Blackouts:** At times the FCC and professional sports contracts require the company to "black out" distant signal importation of local programming. Great Plains Communications regrets any inconvenience this mandated protection may cause.

**Call Before You Dig:** It is decreed by Nebraska state law that all utility lines, (including cable television lines) must be professionally located prior to digging. To avoid serious injury or liability, customers must call the Digger's Hotline, 811 for this free service.

**Public Viewing:** As a condition of receiving Great Plains Communications cable service, the customer represents and warrants they will not exhibit any programming service in a commercial establishment unless the applicable monthly surcharge is paid. If the customer intends to exhibit any programming service in a commercial establishment, they must contact Great Plains Communications for additional information.

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