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Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry Hosts an Evening with Legislative Leadership

Chamber members interacted with Nebraska Senators and Legislators during a panel moderated by Todd Foje, Chairman of the Nebraska Chamber Board of Directors and CEO of Great Plains Communications.

BLAIR, Nebraska - April 16, 2019 - [Great Plains Communications](#), the largest independent telecommunications provider in the state of Nebraska, was proud to participate with the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry as they hosted "An Evening With Legislative Leadership" on Tuesday, April 9 at the Embassy Suites hotel in Lincoln, Nebraska.

During the event Nebraska Chamber members were given the opportunity to interact with attending Nebraska Senators and hear from the Nebraska Legislature's leaders during the prime of their current session. The event format was a discussion panel that included Speaker of the Legislature Jim Scheer; Appropriations Committee Chair, John Stinner; Chair of the Revenue Committee, Lou Ann Linehan; Chair of the Education Committee, Mike Groene and Chair of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee, Curt Friesen. The panel was moderated by Todd Foje, Acting Chairman of the Nebraska Chamber Board of Directors and CEO of Great Plains Communications.

"This event is a great opportunity for chamber members to address issues that are important to their businesses, industries and communities with their political leaders," said Foje. "The Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry is proud to be able to bring our leaders and our members together to make these discussions possible as we continue to advocate for economic development, job creation, a friendlier tax climate, less burdensome regulation for business, and an adequate workforce offering qualified employees." During the discussion, panelists answered questions regarding workforce, business incentives, tax structure and the issues they found most pressing in front of their committees.

About the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry

The Nebraska Chamber is the only statewide, broad-based business association. The Nebraska Chamber represent the interests of businesses of all sizes and sectors - in nearly every county in Nebraska. Members range from main street businesses to sole proprietorships, from leading industry associations to large corporations. They all share one thing in common - they count on the State Chamber to promote and protect Nebraska's free enterprise system. The Nebraska Chamber is affiliated with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers. They have proudly served as the voice of Nebraska's business community for more than a century.

About Great Plains Communications

Great Plains Communications is the largest privately-owned telecommunications provider in Nebraska. The company provides over 90 communities across the state with high-speed Internet, cable television, and voice services. Business solutions range from traditional and cloud-based voice and data products to installation and support of large business networks with scalable Internet and Ethernet solutions.

At the core of its service offering is an extensive 9,500-mile regional fiber network including over 400 fiber miles in the Omaha Metro area. The network extends beyond Nebraska into Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, South Dakota, and Wyoming offering community access rings, last-mile, and middle-mile solutions, all fully supported by their 24x7x365 Network Operations Center. The company is financially strong with over a century of experience providing reliable and innovative solutions. Great Plains Communications is privately owned by [Grain Management, LLC](#): a leading private equity firm focused on investments in the Communications sector. For more information visit www.gpcom.com.

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