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Great Plains Communications CEO Todd Foje Elected 2019 Chairman of the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Foje will lead the Chamber in accomplishing key legislative objectives in promoting workforce development and economic growth across the state

BLAIR, Nebraska - Feb. 12, 2019 - [Great Plains Communications](#), the largest independent telecommunications provider in the state of Nebraska, announces CEO Todd Foje has been elected as the 2019 chairman of [the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry](#). Foje began his official duties as chairman during the Chamber's annual meeting in Lincoln, Nebraska on Feb. 7. Throughout 2019, he will lead the organization's key legislative priorities, including strengthening workforce development, promoting tax relief and improving Nebraska's overall business climate.

Prior to his appointment, Foje supported the continuous improvement of Nebraska's business climate as a board member of the Chamber. An Omaha resident, he has lent his time and energy to charitable services in state and local communities, including volunteer and board roles with the American Red Cross, Creighton Prep High School and Duchesne Academy, and as a mentor through the TeamMates youth mentoring program. In 2013, he joined Great Plains Communications, where he currently leads the independent telecommunications company in providing over 90 communities across Nebraska with high-speed Internet, cable television, and voice services. Its services are backed by an extensive 9,500-mile regional fiber network, including over 300 fiber miles in the Omaha Metro area.

"Todd Foje's service as chairman of the Nebraska Chamber comes at exactly the right time," said Bryan Slone, president of the State Chamber. "His experience in leading Great Plains Communications - a respected technology business that serves large and small communities across our state - provides the Chamber with a strong foundation as we look for new ways to grow Nebraska's workforce and economy."

On being appointed chairman of the Chamber, Todd Foje, CEO of Great Plains Communications, said, “My experience working in a business that operates statewide makes me proud to be elected Chairman of a strong state chamber that understands the importance of representing the interests of Nebraska businesses on a big-picture level. I look forward to working with the Chamber’s directors, staff and business members in fostering policies and programs to enhance and educate Nebraska’s workforce. By nurturing our local talent, as well as improving our economic policies and services, we can further leverage the state’s position as a viable and competitive place for industries and jobs, thereby bolstering our local economies and encouraging new businesses to migrate to Nebraska.”

Formed in 1912, the Nebraska Chamber of Commerce and Industry exists to make Nebraska an even better place to do business. Today, more than a century later, the Chamber is Nebraska’s largest statewide business association, representing hundreds of corporate members, with businesses of every variety and size as members. Located a half-block from the historic Nebraska State Capitol, the Chamber’s staff works effectively with Nebraska lawmakers - as well as state agencies - on issues impacting local business.

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 their service offering is an extensive 9,500-mile regional fiber network including over 300 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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