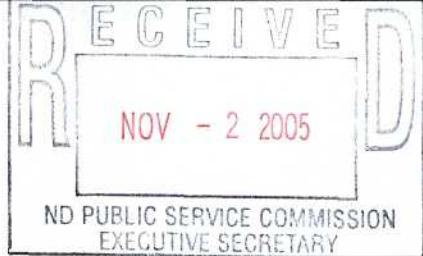


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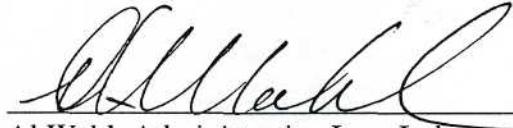
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Please take notice that a prehearing conference will be held for this matter at 9:30 a.m., November 1, 2005. The prehearing conference will be conducted by telephone conference initiated by the administrative law judge.

The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider Midcontinent Communications request for an order for disclosure of information. The parties may also request a determination concerning any question or problem regarding preparation for or the conduct of the hearing.

Dated at Bismarck, North Dakota this 1st day of November, 2005.

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The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the **NOTICE OF SECOND
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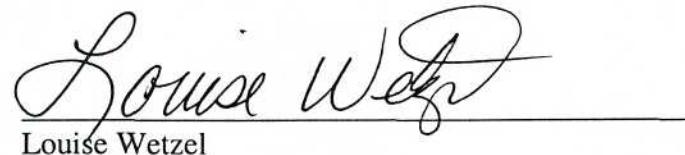
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