

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Midcontinent Communications/North Dakota
Telephone Company
Rural Exemption
Investigation**

Case No. PU-05-451

NOTICE OF FURTHER HEARING

April 26, 2006

Preliminary Statement

On April 26, 2006 the Commission issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order in this proceeding. The Commission ordered NDTC to begin providing retail services at wholesale prices for resale under an interconnection agreement no later than 90 days from the date of the order. The Commission also ordered that a further hearing be held to determine an interim wholesale discount rate in the event the parties are unable to negotiate a rate and to determine the need for an associated true-up provision.

A public hearing is scheduled for **July 10, 2006 at 9 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 12th Floor, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota**. The issues to be considered include:

1. The interim wholesale discount rate to be applied effective with the effective date of the wholesale resale agreement and effective until the effective date of a final rate established for the service.
2. The need and design of a true-up provision should the final wholesale discount rate be different from the interim wholesale discount rate.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701 328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary, at least 24 hours prior to the event.

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