

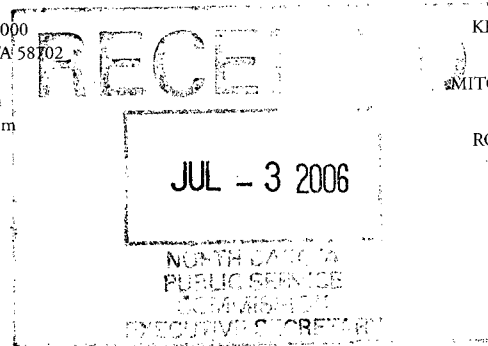
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**MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS V. NORTH DAKOTA TELEPHONE COMPANY
CASE NO. PU-05-451**

On behalf of North Dakota Telephone Company (NDTC), this letter is written in response to the June 8, 2006, action taken by the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) in the above-referenced proceeding (the June 8th action). At this time, NDTC has decided that it will not seek further Commission or judicial review of the June 8th action.

NDTC respectfully informs the Commission, however, that NDTC's decision should not be construed as agreement with or acquiescence to the Commission's interpretation of the applicable law in this proceeding or the summarization of NDTC's position taken in this proceeding. Accordingly, should NDTC in the future need to address issues similar to those discussed in the June 8th action, NDTC reserves all rights with respect to both its positions on such issues as well as the proper interpretation and application of law to the record facts that may be developed in such proceeding.

Should the Commission have any questions, please direct them to the undersigned.

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