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Allen C. Hoberg
Office of Administrative Hearings
State of North Dakota
1707 North 9th Street
Bismarck, ND 58501-1882

RE: Midcontinent Communications, a South Dakota partnership v. Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.
OAH File No. 20080079
Our File No. 28-16

Enclosed for filing please find the following original documents:

- **Stipulation for Consolidation** - endorsed by John M. Olson, counsel on behalf of Midcontinent Communications, Inc., and David J. Hogue, counsel on behalf of Missouri Valley Communications; **and**
- **Order for Consolidation and Scheduling**

If you approve, please provide the parties with a copy of the executed Order.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions please call my office.

Sincerely,

John M. Olson
Attorney at Law

JMO/cmb

enclosures

cc: David J. Hogue
Mary Lohnes
J.G. Harrington
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Stipulation for Consolidation/Draft Order for Consolidated Scheduling

Midcontinent Communications

John Olson, Atty for Midcontinent Comm.

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF:)
)
Midcontinent Communications/Missouri)
Valley Communications, Inc.)
Rural Exemption)
Investigation)
Case No. PU-08-61)
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STIPULATION FOR CONSOLIDATION

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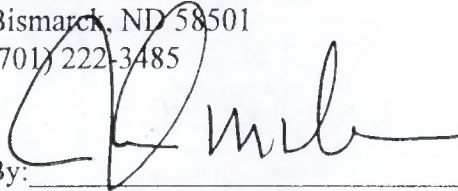
AND

Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.)
Application for)
Suspension or Modification)
Pursuant to 47 USC § 251(f)(2))
Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.,)
Applicant,)
Case No. _____)

IT IS HEREBY stipulated and agreed by and between John M. Olson, counsel on behalf of Midcontinent Communications, Inc., and David J. Hogue, counsel on behalf of Missouri Valley Communications, Inc., that the *Rural Exemption Investigation* and the *Application for Suspension or Modification Pursuant to 47 USC § 251(f)(2)* actions in this matter be consolidated for the purposes of resolution before the Public Service Commission and that the Prehearing Conference Summary and Scheduling Order issued by Allen C. Hoberg, Administrative Law Judge, on April 14th, 2008, be adopted and applicable to both actions.

Dated this 25th of April, 2008.

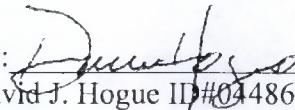
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Dated this 25th of April, 2008.

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**ORDER FOR CONSOLIDATION
AND SCHEDULING**

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that based upon the Stipulation for Consolidation and agreed by and between John M. Olson, counsel on behalf of Midcontinent Communications, Inc., and David J. Hogue, counsel on behalf of Missouri Valley Communications, Inc., the *Rural Exemption Investigation (PU-08-6)* and the *Application for Suspension or Modification Pursuant to 47 USC § 251(f)(2)* actions are hereby consolidated and shall be heard in the same proceeding and the *Prehearing Conference Summary and Scheduling Order*, issued by Allen C. Hoberg, Administrative Law Judge, on April 14th, 2008, is hereby adopted in its entirety and applicable to both actions.

Dated this _____ day of April, 2008.

Allen C. Hoberg, Administrative Law Judge