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**June 19, 2008**

**Midcontinent Communications/United Telephone  
Interim Interconnection Agreement  
Application**

**Case No. PU-08-229**

I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments in the application for approval of an interconnection agreement negotiated between Midcontinent Communications and United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation, Case No. PU-08-229.

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS**

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On May 29, 2008 Midcontinent Communications filed a petition for approval of an interim interconnection agreement negotiated with United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation (United Telephone). The agreement sets forth rates, terms and conditions under which United Telephone will provide interconnection and wholesale services to Midcontinent Communications.

This amendment was filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The Act requires that any agreement adopted by negotiation or arbitration be submitted for approval to the Commission. Under 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2)(A), the Commission may only reject an agreement adopted by negotiation (or a portion of the agreement) if it finds that:

1. the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier that was not a party to the agreement; or
2. implementation of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

In addition, under 47 U.S.C. Section 253 the Commission may include in its review state requirements that do not constitute barriers to entry.

**The Commission will receive written comments on these agreements until July 23, 2008.**

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 Director.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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