

# **Basin Electric Power Cooperative**

## **Waiver Request for New Bismarck Qwest Prefix**

### **North Dakota Public Service Commission**

**July 30, 2008**

## Basin Electric Main Facilities:

- Basin Electric Headquarters in Bismarck
- Dakota Gasification Company in Beulah
- Antelope Valley Station in Beulah
- LeLand Olds Station in Stanton
- Laramie River Station in Wheatland, Wyoming
- Spirit Mound Station in Vermillion, South Dakota
- Groton Generation Station in Groton, South Dakota
- Dry Fork Station (under construction) in Gillette, Wyoming

Transmission System Maintenance offices in Mandan, Beulah, Minot, as well as Wolsey, Gettysburg, Groton, Watertown, SD, Gillette and Wheatland, Wyoming, and Lyman, Nebraska.

Bismarck local offices: Basin Electric Hanger, warehouse, work from home staff, and remote offices in Williston and Dickinson.

Basin Electric also interfaces with nineteen (19) member cooperatives in 5 different states through a private network and we provide extension numbers from our telephone system to their sites. This allows us to offer them four digit dialing between each of their offices. We use some DID numbers for that service.

The Basin Electric numbering plan to date consists of the following:

We use **four (4) different prefixes** at Basin Electric: **224-255-355-221**.

- \* Within these prefixes we use 224-5300 through 5399 = 100 numbers.
- \* 255-5100 through 5199 = 100 numbers.
- \* 355-5400 through 5999 = 600 numbers.
- 221-4400 through 4459 = 60 numbers for a total of **860 DID numbers**.

Presently we have approximately 30 DID numbers that are not used.

First digit restrictions:

*230 spare numbers*

**Digit "0"** since we use that for console access at all sites.

**Digits "1", "2" and "3"** since we use those for in house restricted non-DID numbers.

**Digit "4"** we presently use 60 numbers that start with "4" however Qwest has no DID extension numbers available that start with the number "4" in the Bismarck Exchange that we could incorporate into our plan.

5000-5199 5200-5299

**Digit "5"** – the only 5000 block we do not use is 5000 and 5200 which are not available in the Bismarck exchange.

**Digit "6"** is used at Dakota Gasification Company as I already mentioned except for 6900 – 6999 that we borrowed temporarily for use in Gillette, Wyoming since that block of 100 numbers was available in the Qwest Gillette Exchange.

**Digit "7"** is used many numbers in our LeLand Olds Plant site. Any numbers starting with "7" that are not used through West River Telephone Cooperative at our Leland Olds site are not available in the Qwest Bismarck Exchange.

**Digit "8"** is used at our new facility under construction in Gillette, Wyoming. There are no DID numbers available that start with the first digit "8" in the Qwest Bismarck Exchange.

**Digit "9"** is used for local and/or Long Distance Access.

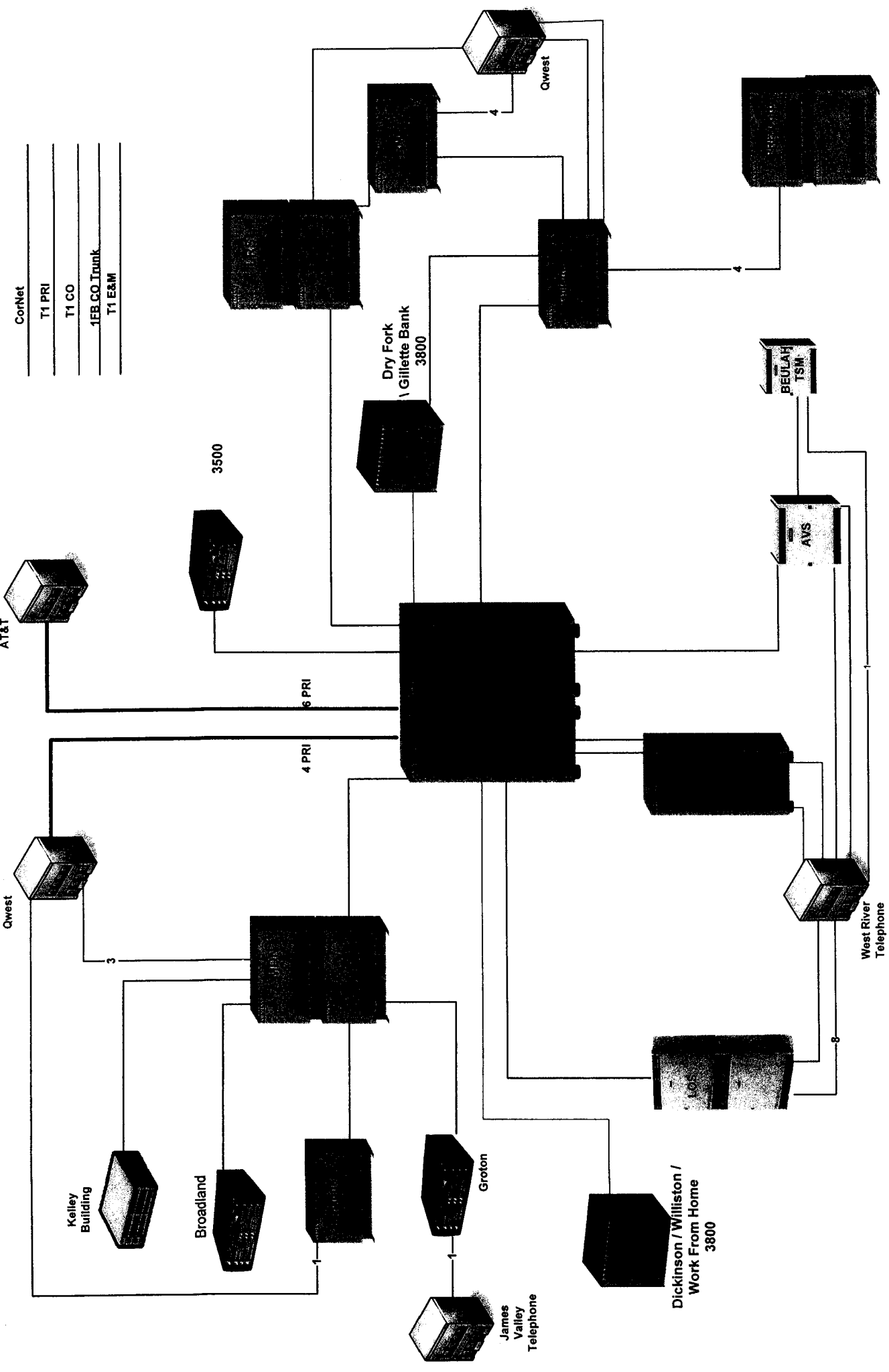
Our last request for available DID numbers from the Qwest Bismarck Exchange was April 7<sup>th</sup> and the available DID number ranges were:

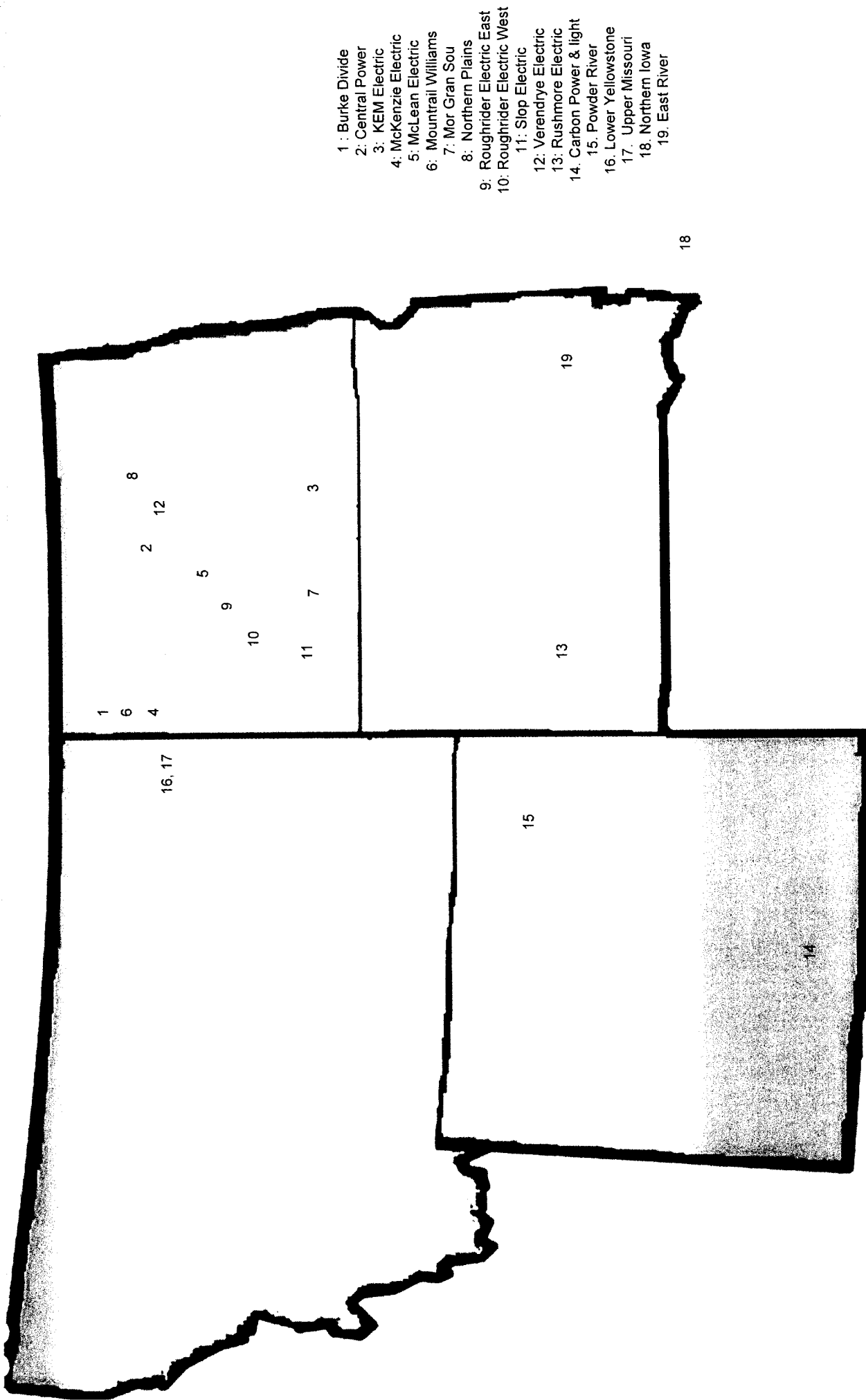
221-9300-9499

222-9400-9599

222-9700-9999

223-9960-9969





	<b>HDQ (701)</b>	<b>DGC (701)</b>	<b>Mandan (701)</b>	<b>AVS (701)</b>	<b>LOS (701)</b>	<b>Gillette (307)</b>	<b>Dry Fork (307)</b>	<b>LRS (307)</b>
<b>DID Numbers</b>	224-5300 thru 5399	873-6000 thru 6899	355-5800 thru 5899	873-8200 thru 8299	745-7200 thru 7299	685-8900 thru 8999	687-6900 thru 6999	
	255-5100 thru 5199	221-4400 thru 4459*		355-5950 thru 5959	355-5930 thru 5938		687-8400 thru 8499	
	355-5400 thru 5799			355-5980 thru 5989	355-5940 thru 5949		687-8800 thru 8899	
	355-5900 thru 5999				355-5960 thru 5979		685-8900 thru 8999	
	221-4400 thru 4459							
	355-5900 thru 5929							
	355-5990 thru 5999							
<b>Non-DID Numbers</b>	1000 thru 2699		2700 thru 2899	8300 thru 8399	7100 thru 7199	3400 thru 3499		3000 thru 3299
	2900 thru 2999		3590 thru 3599		7300 thru 7399			4100 thru 4299
	3300 thru 3399		7500 thru 7599					
	3500 thru 3589							
	3600 thru 4099							
	4356 thru 4399							
	4500 thru 5799							
	7000 thru 7099							
	7400 thru 7499							
	7600 thru 8199							
	8500 thru 8799							

\* DGC Bismarck