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On behalf of each company listed on Attachment A, and without waiving any rights or claims of trade secret protection or confidentiality as to other information previously filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (the Commission) under a request for trade secret protection, we hereby publicly submit the following information in support of the request of each company for its recognition as an Essential Telecommunications Company. This information was previously submitted under a request for trade secret protection and each company now withdraws its request that the information described below and contain herein be treated as confidential:

1. The amount of high-cost universal service support received in the prior calendar year (2008),
2. The number of requests for service from potential customers within the designated service area that were unfilled in the past year and the ways in which the company attempted to provide services to those potential customers, and
3. The number of complaints per one thousand handsets or lines.

Each company hereby submits a "Public Exhibit A" containing the information referenced in items 1-3 above.

An electronic version of this form will also be provided to you.


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Enclosures

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Public Exhibit A

ATTACHMENT A

BEK Communications Cooperative
Consolidated Telcom
Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative and Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc.
Dickey Rural Access, Inc.
Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative
Dickey Rural Communications, Inc.
Griggs County Telephone Company
Moore and Liberty Telephone Company
Halstad Telephone Company
Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC
Midstate Communications, Inc.
Midstate Telephone Company
Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc./Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.,
Sagebrush Cellular, Inc.
North Dakota Telephone Company
Northwest Communications Cooperative
Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation
Polar Telcom, Inc.
Wolverton Telephone Company
Reservation Telephone Cooperative
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation/Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc.
West River Telecommunications Cooperative

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EXHIBIT A

1. The amount of high-cost universal support the Company received in the prior calendar year is listed below:

Year 2008 Federal Universal Service Receipts:

High Cost Loop Support	\$ 2,562,609
Local Switching Support	\$ 769,704
Interstate Common Line Support	\$ 1,974,222
Safety Net Additive Support	\$ -
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$ -
TOTAL	\$ 5,306,535

The changes, if any, from reports previously filed with the Commission are, as follows:

3 The number of requests for service from potential customers within the designated service area that were unfilled in the past year was _____.

The ways in which the Company attempted to provide services to these potential customers are, as follows:

Waiting for an easement from Burlington Northern

4 The number of complaints per one thousand handsets or lines was 0.130