

## NBA NOTEBOOK

## Boozer to sign with Bulls

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Associated Press

CHICAGO — Carlos Boozer is headed to the Chicago Bulls. Now what about you, LeBron James?

A person familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press that Boozer, a two-time All-Star forward, agreed to a deal on Wednesday and is leaving the Utah Jazz after six seasons. The person, who spoke on the condition of anonymity because the contract can't become official until 12:01 a.m. Thursday, did not reveal the terms.

Several outlets have reported it's a five-year deal, and the Chicago Tribune cited a source saying the Bulls would still have enough room to offer a maximum salary contract to another free agent. The NBA set the salary cap at \$58.04 million for next season on Wednesday.

Boozer becomes the latest chip to fall on a day when Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh confirmed they will play in Miami next season.

James, the jewel of this star-studded class, is still out there. While everyone awaits his announcement on Thursday night, the Bulls at least know they're not coming away empty-handed after landing Boozer.

Anticipating about \$30 million in cap room, the Bulls were looking to make a big splash in free agency after consecutive first-round playoff exits. Adding Boozer strengthens their standing in the Eastern Conference — and maybe makes them more attractive to James, his former teammate.

Boozer averaged 19.5 points and 11.2 rebounds last season. His arrival gives the Bulls a formidable pair in the frontcourt with Joakim Noah, not to mention a good pick-and-roll partner for All-Star point guard Derrick Rose.

## Durant reaches 5-year deal with Thunder

OKLAHOMA CITY — Kevin Durant didn't go for a spectacle in announcing where he'll be for the next five years.

Instead, Durant simply posted an update on his Twitter page Wednesday, saying he'd agreed to a five-year contract extension with the Oklahoma City Thunder. Durant can't sign the deal until Thursday and team spokesman Brian Facchini said he could not confirm the deal under NBA rules.

"Extension for 5 more years with the thunder...God Is Great, me and my family came a long way...I love y'all man for real, this a blessing!" Durant tweeted.

Another post soon followed, presumably about the contract: "First time I cried in a while... RIP Chucky, we doin wat we dreamed about...I swear I love all my bros!! yessir!!!"

"Chucky" is one of Durant's former coaches, Charles Craig, who was shot to death in Maryland in 2005.

The reigning NBA scoring leader is signed with the Thunder through next season under his original rookie contract, which would pay him about \$5 million next year. Oklahoma City, which is well under the salary cap, could offer Durant more than two times that

much, depending on where the cap is set for next season.

Durant's spokeswoman, Mary Ford, said he will receive the maximum deal possible, \$85 million over five years. She said the contract has no opt-out clause after the fourth year.

## Salary cap higher than expected

NEW YORK — The NBA salary cap for next season was set Wednesday at \$58.04 million, a higher number than projected that could help Miami fill out a roster around Dwyane Wade, Chris Bosh and perhaps even LeBron James.

The cap went into effect at 12:01 a.m. today, ending the league's moratorium period and allowing free agent contracts to be signed. It's a slight increase from this season's \$57.7 million cap, a surprise for teams considering what they were bracing for last summer.

Teams were warned in a memo last July that the economic crisis could send the cap spiraling to somewhere between \$50.4 million to \$53.6 million, some \$10 million below what teams were once anticipating.

## Celtics re-sign Allen for 2 years, \$20 million

BOSTON — The new Big Three will have another chance at a third trip to the NBA finals.

Ray Allen confirmed to The Associated Press on Wednesday night that he has agreed to a two-year, \$20 million contract to return to the Boston Celtics.

The deal was first reported by ESPN.

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James can't say that yet. Wade told the Heat that for him to re-sign, the team had to add either James or Bosh. For good measure, they might get both.

"It had to be one or the other," Wade said in the AP interview. "Of course, there's a lot of talented players in this league. But you want to look at players that complement my game, and Chris and LeBron are two of those guys. I had a decision to make. Chris had a decision to make. It wasn't a lock

that he would come to Miami. So I had a lot to think about."

James averaged 29.7 points for Cleveland last season, Wade averaged 26.6 points for Miami and Bosh averaged career-bests of 24.0 points and 10.8 rebounds for Toronto.

They were the three kingpins of this long-hyped free-agent market, a trio of All-Stars who came into the league together seven years ago and structured their last contracts just to hit the open market together this summer, the last under the current terms of the league's collective bargaining

agreement.

Now, the ball is in King James' court.

"I expect us to compete for a championship," Bosh told ESPN. "I think both Dwyane and I, we both wanted an opportunity where right away we would be competing. ... We're ready to sacrifice a lot of things in order to do that. It's not about the money. It's not about anything else except for winning. I'm a winner. Dwyane's a winner. We're going to bring winning to Miami."

That was Heat president Pat Riley's plan.

## Scoreboard

## Amateur softball

**Results Wednesday**  
**Co-ed Classic League**  
Pokorny Clinic 11-14, Liquid Assets 4-8  
Coke 15-9, Midget News 6-7  
House of Booze 12-12, Starboard 11-2  
**Co-ed Olympic League**  
Queen City Upholstery 16-13, Town & Country Liquors 9-11  
KHook Pirate Radio 12-15, JDs BBQ 4-2  
Martin Construction 15-15, Police Association 5-5  
**Co-ed Recreation League**  
Parkway Ford 7-7, Rehab Visions 0-0  
Iron Works Welding 11-5, JT Welding & Repair 7-7  
Evil Olive 8-2, Schillinger Construction 4-8

## Professional Rodeo

**Standings**  
**Badlands Circuit**  
Note: Top 8 contestants and locals in top 10 are listed.  
**All-around:** 1, Clay Cowan, Highmore, S.D., \$9,289. 2, Preston Billadeau, Parshall, \$8,288. 3, Jay Mattson, Deadwood, S.D., \$7,865. 4, Paul David Tierney, Oral, S.D., \$7,421. 5, Jeff Johnston, Seneca, Neb., \$7,256. 6, J.B. Lord, Piedmont, S.D., \$6,961. 7, Seth Jack Murphy, Dickinson, S.D., \$5,196. 8, Jess Tierney, Hermosa, S.D., \$5,115.  
**Bareback riding:** 1, Sam Nordick, Mohall, \$6,546. 2, Ty Breuer, Mandan, \$4,625. 3, Scott Montague, Rapid City, S.D., \$3,870. 4, Dan Miller, Raleigh, \$3,100. 5, Dustin Reeves, Owanka, S.D., \$2,644. 6, Donald Miller, Raleigh, \$2,514. 7, Joe Gunderson, Agar, S.D., \$2,243. 8, Jesse Schmidt, Piedmont, S.D., \$1,986.  
**Barrel racing:** 1, Jessica Roulter, Buffalo, S.D., \$6,347. 2, Rachel Tiedeman, Brook-

richs, S.D., \$7,128. 2, Boe Brown, Harrold, S.D., \$6,280. 3, Tyler Fagerhaug, Wessington Springs, S.D., \$5,226. 4, Clay Cowan, Highmore, S.D., \$3,865. 5, Jay Mattson, Deadwood, S.D., \$3,816. 6, Dane Kissack, Spearfish, S.D., \$2,836. 7, Preston Billadeau, Parshall, \$2,686. 8, Paul David Tierney, Oral, S.D., \$2,480.

## Major League Baseball

Standings and schedule				
American League				
EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	52	31	.627	—
Tampa Bay	51	33	.607	1 1/2
Boston	49	36	.576	4
Toronto	42	43	.494	11
Baltimore	25	59	.298	27 1/2
CENTRAL	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	46	37	.554	—
Chicago	44	38	.537	1 1/2
Minnesota	45	39	.536	1 1/2
Kansas City	38	46	.452	8 1/2
Cleveland	33	51	.393	13 1/2
WEST	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	50	34	.595	—
Los Angeles	46	40	.535	5
Oakland	41	44	.482	9 1/2
Seattle	34	49	.410	15 1/2

**Games Tuesday**  
Detroit 7, Baltimore 5, 11 innings  
Minnesota 7, Toronto 6  
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 2  
Texas 12, Cleveland 1  
Chicago White Sox 4, L.A. Angels 1  
N.Y. Yankees 6, Oakland 1  
Kansas City 3, Seattle 2  
**Games Wednesday**  
Detroit 4, Baltimore 2  
Toronto 6, Minnesota 5  
Tampa Bay 6, Boston 4  
Texas 4, Cleveland 3  
L.A. Angels at Chicago White Sox, late

(Oswalt 5-10), 12:05 p.m.  
San Francisco (Zito 7-4) at Milwaukee (M.Parra 3-5), 12:10 p.m.  
St. Louis (Carpenter 9-2) at Colorado (Jimenez 14-1), 1:10 p.m.  
Cincinnati (Cueto 8-2) at Philadelphia (Kendrick 5-3), 5:05 p.m.  
San Diego (Latos 9-4) at Washington (Atilano 6-5), 5:05 p.m.  
Florida (Ani.Sanchez 7-5) at Arizona (R.Lopez 4-7), 7:40 p.m.  
Chicago Cubs (R.Wells 4-6) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-4), 8:10 p.m.

Linescores				
Results Wednesday				
AMERICAN LEAGUE				
Baltimore	000	000	101-2	7 0
Detroit	101	020	00x-4	11 1
Bergesen, Albers (7) and Wieters; Scherzer, Weirhardt (8), Coke (9) and Laird. W—Scherzer 6-6. L—Bergesen 3-6. Sv—Coke (1). HRs—Detroit, Worth (1).				
Minnesota	000	211	100-5	11 1
Toronto	100	120	20x-6	10 0
Slowey, Guerrier (7), Duensing (7) and Maurer; Rzepczynski, Camp (6), S.Downs (7), Gregg (9) and J.Buck. W—S.Downs 3-5. L—Guerrier 1-5. Sv—Gregg (19). HRs—Minnesota, O.Hudson (4), Delm.Young (10). Toronto, Ale.Gonzalez (16), J.Bautista (22).				
Boston	000	001	102-4	11 2
Tampa Bay	000	231	00x-6	5 0
Wakefield, Richardson (6), R.Ramirez (6), Papelbon (7), Manuel (8) and Cash; Price, Balfour (8), Choate (9), Garza (9) and Shopach. W—Price 12-4. L—Wakefield 3-7. Sv—Garza (1). HRs—Boston, Cameron (2). Tampa Bay, Longoria (13).				
Cleveland	000	210	000-3	6 1
Texas	100	021	00x-4	7 1
Talbot, J.Smith (6), Sipp (7) and C.Santana; C.Lewis, Ogando (7), F.Francisco (8), N.Feliz (9) and Treanor. W—C.Lewis 8-5. L—Talbot 8-8. Sv—N.Feliz (23). HRs—				

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## Public Notices

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF STARK COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
In the Matter of the Estate of  
Rose Privratsky, deceased.  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That the undersigned have been appointed Co-Personal Representatives of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to Richard Privratsky, Timothy Privratsky, or Ronald Privratsky, Co-Personal Representatives of the estate of Rose Privratsky, at P.O. Box 1173, Dickinson, North Dakota 58602-1173, or filed with the Court. Dated this 22nd Day of June, 2010.

Co-Representatives:  
/s/ Richard Privratsky  
Richard Privratsky  
/s/ Timothy Privratsky  
Timothy Privratsky  
/s/ Ronald Privratsky  
Ronald Privratsky

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NOTICE OF HEARING  
N.D. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

The North Dakota Industrial Commission will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. Wednesday, July 28, 2010, at the N.D. Oil & Gas Division, 1016 East Calgary Ave., Bismarck, N.D. At the hearing the Commission will receive testimony and exhibits. Persons with any interest in the cases listed below, take notice.  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If at the hearing you need special facilities or assistance, contact the Oil and Gas Division at 701-328-8038 by Thursday, July 15, 2010.

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO:**  
Case No. 12785: (Continued) In the matter of the petition of Armstrong Operating, Inc. pursuant to NDCC § 38-08-09 for an order providing for the voluntary unitized management, operation, and further development of the Patterson Lake-Lodgepole Unit Area, consisting of lands within Stark County, ND; for approval of the voluntary unit agreement and unit operating agreement; for approval of the voluntary plan of operation; vacating the applicable spacing orders, and such other relief as is appropriate.  
Signed by,  
John Hoeven, Governor  
Chairman, ND Industrial Commission  
(Published July 8, 2010)

NOTICE OF HEARING  
N.D. INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION  
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

The North Dakota Industrial Commission will hold a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. Thursday, July 29, 2010, at the N.D. Oil & Gas Division, 1016 East Calgary Ave., Bismarck, N.D. At the hearing the Commission will receive testimony and exhibits. Persons with any interest in the cases listed below, take notice.  
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: If at the hearing you need special facilities or assistance, contact the Oil and Gas Division at 701-328-8038 by Friday, July 16, 2010.

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA TO:**  
Case No. 13018: Application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corp. for an order establishing seven 1280-acre drilling units described as Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; Sections 30 and 31, T.139N., R.97W.; Sections 4 and 9; Sections 6 and 7, T.138N., R.97W.; Sections 1 and 12, T.138N., R.98W.; and Sections 25 and 36, T.139N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled in the Bakken Formation at any location thereon not closer than 200 feet to the spacing unit boundary offsetting the toe and heel of the well and 500 feet to any other boundary, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 13019: Application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corp. for an order establishing 1280-acre drilling units described as Sections 16 and 21; Sections 17 and 20; Sections 18 and 19; Sections 28 and 33; Sections 29 and 32; and Sections 30 and 31, T.139N., R.99W., Stark County, ND, and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled in the Bakken Formation at any location thereon not closer than 200 feet to the spacing unit boundary offsetting the toe and heel of the well and 500 feet to any other boundary, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 13020: Application of Whiting Oil & Gas Corp. for an order extending the outline of the Dutch Henry Butte Field and amending the applicable orders for the Dutch Henry Butte-Bakken Pool to establish 1280-acre spacing units consisting of Sections 3 and 10; Sections 4 and 9; Sections 7 and 18; Sections 8 and 17; Sections 16 and 21; Sections 15 and 22, T.140N., R.97W.; and Sections 13 and 24, T.140N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, allowing one horizontal well to be drilled in the Bakken Pool, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 13021: Application of Whiting Oil & Gas Corp. for an order pursuant to NDAC §43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in six spacing units for the Dutch Henry Butte-Bakken Pool described as Sections 3 and 10; Sections 4 and 9; Sections 7 and 18; Sections 8 and 17; Sections 16 and 21; Sections 15 and 22, T.140N., R.97W.; and Sections 13 and 24, T.140N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, as provided by NDCC §38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 13022: Application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corp. for an order establishing a 1280-acre drilling unit described as Sections 16 and 21, T.140N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled in the Bakken Formation at any location thereon not closer than 200 feet to the spacing unit boundary offsetting the toe and heel of the well and 500 feet to any other boundary, and such other relief as is appropriate.

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Case No. 13021: Application of Whiting Oil & Gas Corp. for an order pursuant to NDAC §43-02-03-88.1 pooling all interests in six spacing units for the Dutch Henry Butte-Bakken Pool described as Sections 3 and 10; Sections 4 and 9; Sections 7 and 18; Sections 8 and 17; Sections 16 and 21; Sections 15 and 22, T.140N., R.97W.; and Sections 13 and 24, T.140N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, as provided by NDCC §38-08-08, and such other relief as is appropriate.

Case No. 13022: Application of Whiting Oil and Gas Corp. for an order establishing a 1280-acre drilling unit described as Sections 16 and 21, T.140N., R.98W., Stark County, ND, and allowing a horizontal well to be drilled in the Bakken Formation at any location thereon not closer than 200 feet to the spacing unit boundary offsetting the toe and heel of the well and 500 feet to any other boundary, and such other relief as is appropriate.

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
North Dakota Telephone Company/  
Midcontinent Communications  
Interconnection Agreement Amendment  
ApplicationCase No. PU-10-309  
NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR  
COMMENT  
June 30, 2010

On June 25, 2010, North Dakota Telephone Company (NDTC) entered into an interconnection agreement amendment with Midcontinent Communications (Midcontinent) pursuant to Section 251 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (Act). The agreement amendment sets forth terms and conditions under which NDTC will provide interconnection services, local number portability, ancillary services and wholesale services for resale to Midcontinent in the New Rockford, North Dakota exchange. The agreement was filed with the Commission on June 25, 2010.

On June 25, 2010, Midcontinent filed a request for approval of the interconnection agreement in less than 90 days pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1).

This agreement was filed under Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. 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 this agreement until August 13, 2010.

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 the Commission.

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