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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Mr. Patrick Fahn
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 E. Broadway Avenue
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Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: Midcontinent/Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.
ND PSC Case No. PU-11-543

Dear Mr. Fahn:

The parties have mutually agreed on a mediator to mediate this matter. Steve Storslee, a Bismarck attorney, will mediate. Please advise the Commission of this agreement. I expect that Mr. David Hogue, attorney for Missouri Valley, will send a similar letter stating the same.

As far as timing for appointing the mediator, we request that this be done as soon as possible. I understand that this matter cannot be placed on the agenda for today's Commission meeting. Midcontinent would request that a special meeting be held to appoint Mr. Storslee as mediator at the Commission's earliest convenience. After this is formally done by the Commission, the parties will submit their respective mediation statements.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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