



# Public Service Commission

## State of North Dakota

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PO Box 180  
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RE: Invoice for Telecommunications Case Expenses

On August 29, 2012, the Commission sent an invoice for costs and expenses incurred in North Dakota Telephone Company, Switched Access, Price Schedule, Case No. PU-12-209 for \$64.03 for advertising expenses. The Commission did receive reimbursement of that amount.

In that proceeding, a hearing was held concerning the switched access filings of 21 telecommunications companies. Therefore, the cost of the proceeding is shared by the 21 companies. The Commission, in a recent internal audit of past telecommunications cases, discovered that the August 29, 2012 invoice did not request reimbursement for all costs and expenses incurred in the 2012 proceeding and the Commission at its March 9, 2016 meeting approved a billing statement in Case No. PU-12-209 for \$251.21.

The Commission regrets that it is only now billing for expenses that were incurred in 2012. At the same time, the Commission understands that these dollars are due to the North Dakota taxpayers. We are confident the internal audit of telecommunications cases was thorough and that there are no other unrecovered expenses.

Under North Dakota Century Code section 49-21-01.7, these expenses must be paid for by the telecommunications companies involved. The unpaid balance for North Dakota Telephone Company in Case No. PU-12-209 is \$251.21.

Please make your check payable to the Public Service Commission.

Best regards,

Patrick Fahm  
Compliance and Competitive Markets

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42 PU-12-209 Filed: 3/18/2016 Pages: 2  
Letter enclosing billing statement

**Invoice**

**March 18, 2016**

**North Dakota Telephone Company  
Switched Access  
Price Schedule**

**Case No. PU-12-209**

**Bill to: North Dakota Telephone Company**

**Expenses Incurred to Date:**

03/09/19 Advertising Services	\$95.39
03/09/16 Administrative Hearing	<u>\$219.85</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>\$315.24</u></b>

09/13-2012 Payment Received	<u>\$64.03</u>
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<b>Total Payment Due:</b>	<b><u><u>\$251.21</u></u></b>
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**Please send payment & a copy of this Invoice to:**

**North Dakota Public Service Commission  
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**Federal Tax ID 45-0309764**