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May 30, 2012

Mr. Darrell Nitschke  
Executive Secretary  
North Dakota Public Service Commission  
State Capitol  
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Twelfth Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

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**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

Re: Wolverton Telephone Company-Designation as a Rate of Return Carrier in ND

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Wolverton Telephone Company is filing an original and seven (7) copies of this letter which is being submitted in order to request that the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) officially designate Wolverton Telephone Company as a rate of return carrier in the state of North Dakota effective May 30, 2012, pursuant to Section 49-21-01.2 of the Commission rules. According to Commission records, Wolverton Telephone Company is a price cap carrier in North Dakota. Consequently this letter is being filed today in order to revise the carrier designation for Wolverton Telephone Company from being a price cap carrier to being a rate of return carrier in North Dakota.

Wolverton Telephone Company is mailing the hard copies of this letter as discussed above to the Commission today, via overnight mail, for delivery to the Commission tomorrow, May 31, 2012. With this mailing, you will find enclosed a copy of this transmittal letter marked "File Stamp Copy" to be stamped and returned to JSI as confirmation that the hard copies of this filing have been received by the Commission as well. Please return the stamped copy of this transmittal letter in the envelope provided for this purpose.

If there are any questions regarding this filing, please feel free to contact me at (701) 284-4287 or at ddunning@polartel.com.

Sincerely,

David L. Dunning  
Executive Vice President  
Wolverton Telephone Company

cc: Patrick Fahn, North Dakota Public Service Commission  
Mark Gruman, North Dakota Public Service Commission  
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**Request to be subject to rate and rate of return regulation**

Wolverton Telephone Company