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Please have the attached Notice of Opportunity for Hearing published one time as a legal publication in the next issue of the following newspapers:

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Send the bill to the Public Service Commission along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.

Please confirm via email that you received this request.

If you have any questions or cannot open the files, please call me at 328-4076 or email.

Thank You

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**Budget PrePay, Inc.
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application**

Case No. PU-12-707

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

September 12, 2012

On August 31, 2012 Budget PrePay, Inc. (Budget) filed an application for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support for low-income consumers under 47 CFR Part 54 Subpart E. Such designation is also known as Lifeline-only ETC designation. Budget proposes to provide prepaid Lifeline universal services to qualifying low income customers as a commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) carrier in North Dakota wire centers currently served by Qwest Corporation and SRT Communications, Inc.

The issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Is the applicant qualified under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Section 214(e) for designation as an ETC eligible to receive federal universal service funding?
2. What ETC universal service support area should be designated?
3. Is designation of the applicant as an ETC in the public interest?

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearing must be received by October 26, 2012.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a formal hearing.

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 Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary.

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