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28 March 2013

Mr. Allen C. Hoberg  
Office of Administrative Hearings  
2911 North 14th Street – Suite 303  
Bismarck, ND 58503

Re: BEK Communications Cooperative  
Switched Access  
Price Schedule  
Case No. PU-13-108  
(PU-13-108 through PU-13-126)

Dear Mr. Hoberg:

Enclosed is a request for an Administrative Law Judge in the captioned case and the other 18 cases indicated on the attached list. A public hearing on this matter will be held beginning 29 May 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota. A copy of the Notice of Hearing is attached.

The Administrative Law Judge will serve as a procedural law judge and the hearing will be electronically recorded.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Best regards,

Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco  
General Counsel

enclosure

c: w/encl. Valerie Wimer, Vice President - JSI, Inc.  
on behalf of North Dakota Interstate Access Coalition

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA  
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<b>BEK Communications Cooperative Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-108</b>
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<b>Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc. Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-111</b>
<b>Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-112</b>
<b>Griggs County Telephone Co. Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-113</b>
<b>Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C. Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-114</b>
<b>Missouri Valley Communications Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-115</b>
<b>Moore and Liberty Telephone Company Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-116</b>
<b>Nemont Telephone Cooperative Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-117</b>

<b>North Dakota Telephone Company Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-118</b>
<b>Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-119</b>
<b>Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-120</b>
<b>Red River Rural Telephone Association Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-121</b>
<b>Reservation Telephone Cooperative Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-122</b>
<b>Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc. Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-123</b>
<b>United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-124</b>
<b>West River Telecommunications Cooperative Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-125</b>
<b>Wolverton Telephone Company Switched Access Price Schedule</b>	<b>Case No. PU-13-126</b>

### **NOTICE OF CONSOLIDATED HEARING**

**March 27, 2013**

On March 12, 2013, BEK Communications Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-108; Consolidated Telcom, Case No. PU-13-109; Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-110; Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc., Case No. PU-13-111; Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-112; Griggs County

Telephone Co., Case No. PU-13-113; Inter-Community Telephone Company, L.L.C., Case No. PU-13-114; Missouri Valley Communications, Case No. PU-13-115; Moore and Liberty Telephone Company, Case No. PU-13-116; Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-117; North Dakota Telephone Company, Case No. PU-13-118; Northwest Communications Cooperative, a Cooperative Association, Case No. PU-13-119; Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation, Case No. PU-13-120; Red River Rural Telephone Association, Case No. PU-13-121; Reservation Telephone Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-122; Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc., Case No. PU-13-123; United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation, Case No. PU-13-124; West River Telecommunications Cooperative, Case No. PU-13-125; and Wolverton Telephone Company, Case No. PU-13-126 filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission (Commission) revised intrastate switched access price schedule pages to reflect revised Federal Communication Commission (FCC) rules governing intercarrier compensation, to reflect NECA interstate switched access rate increases that became effective January 1, 2013, to move to Local Transport Restructure for terminating access rates, to establish an Adjustment Factor to determine Percentage of Interstate Use applicable to mixed jurisdiction and rate structure, and to make various other changes. The price schedule pages specify switched access prices for a rate transition period through the year 2020.

On March 27, 2013 the Commission suspended the intrastate switched access price schedules filed in each of the cases enumerated above.

A **public hearing** on this matter will be held beginning **May 29, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.** in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505. The issue to be considered is whether the intrastate switched access price schedules filed by each of the companies in the cases enumerated above should be approved by the North Dakota Public Service Commission.

For more information or copies of documents in these proceedings, contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400 or 877-245-6685 (toll free in North Dakota), or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. You may also view these cases, and documents, on our website.

If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission at least 24 hours in advance.

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

  
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**REQUEST FOR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE--APPEAL, APPLICATION, OR PETITION**  
 NORTH DAKOTA OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS  
 SFN 17819 (Rev. 06-2007)

Name of Agency, Board, or Commission  
 North Dakota Public Service Commission

The above named agency, board, or commission requests designation of an administrative law judge from the Office of Administrative Hearings for the BEK Communications Cooperative, Switched Access, Price Schedules, PSC Case No. PU-13-108 et al. (see attached list of all the cases)

(e.g., application of [name], appeal of [name], petition of [name]). Authority for the administrative action is found in North Dakota Century Code Chapter 49-21 \_\_\_\_\_ (North Dakota Century Code and/or North Dakota Administrative Code).

Please attach related documents and correspondence.

The administrative action is more fully described as follows:  
 On March 13, 2013, the North Dakota Intrastate Access Coalition (see attached for list of all companies) filed revisions to North Dakota Tariff No. 1 in compliance with FCC rules governing intercarrier compensation.

It requests designation of an administrative law judge (please check one):

- To conduct the hearing and issue recommended findings of fact, conclusions of law, and order.
- To serve as a procedural administrative law judge only (no recommended decision). The agency head will be present at the hearing as required by NDCC 28-32-31(5). See NDCC 54-57-04.
- To conduct the hearing, issue findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a final order.

**PLEASE MAKE A REQUEST FOR AN ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE AT LEAST ONE MONTH BEFORE THE HEARING.**

Please list parties, including the agency if it is a Party, and Representation [attorney (or other)] if known, or Agency Contact: (Attach separate list if necessary.)

AGENCY See attached	Address	Telephone Number
Representation	Address	Telephone Number
PARTY	Address	Telephone Number
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Additional Comments  
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 State Capitol, 12th Floor, Bismarck, North Dakota

(For agencies required to use OAH, notice of hearing will be issued by the administrative law judge, unless a procedural administrative law judge is requested. Other requesting agencies and agencies requesting a procedural administrative law judge should first contact OAH about scheduling a hearing. If notice has already been issued, attach a copy of the notice.)

Typed or Printed Name and Title of Requesting Person Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco, General Counsel	Date 3/28/2013
Signature of Requesting Person X <i>Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco</i>	Telephone Number (701) 328-2407

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<b>Representation</b> Illona A. Jeffcoat-Sacco General Counsel	<b>Address</b> 600 E. Blvd. Ave. Dept. 408 Bismarck, ND 58505-0480	<b>Telephone Number</b> 701-328-2407
<b>PARTY</b> See attached list of companies	<b>Address</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
<b>Representation</b>  North Dakota Intrastate Access Coalition	<b>Address</b> Valerie Wimer, Vice President JSI, Inc. (on behalf of North Dakota Interstate Access Coalition) 7852 Walker Dr. Suite 200 Greenbelt, Maryland 20770	<b>Telephone Number</b> 301-459-7590
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**North Dakota Intrastate Access Coalition  
List of Companies and Case Numbers**

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Attachment indicating Switched Access Cases

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