



Information Technology Department

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Public Service Commission
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RE: TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE

The Information Technology Department (ITD) is submitting the following budget for the telecommunications relay service as required by NDCC 54-44.8-08. This budget information will assist the Public Service Commission in determining the amount of surcharge for the time period July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

FISCAL YEAR '14-'15

REVENUE:

Estimated Balance June 30, 2014	\$ 277,017	
829,767 Access Lines/Numbers x 4 cents x 12 months x 95%	\$ 378,374	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 655,391

EXPENSES:

Relay Service Contract	\$ 235,000	
Department of Human Services (Equipment Distribution)	\$ 250,000	
ITD Administrative Expense	\$ 5,000	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 490,000
ESTIMATED BALANCE JUNE 30, 2015		\$ 165,391

The local exchange companies and radio communications service providers are allowed to keep 5% of the surcharge collected from their customers. Quarterly payments are made to ITD in the month following each quarter. We currently are collecting the surcharge from 829,767 telephone access lines and radio communications access numbers. Attached is a detail list by access provider.

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Following are the amounts charged to ND on February, 2014 provided by Sprint:

Number of Minutes of Service Compensation	4,792
Number of Calls into Relay Service	2,605
Length of Call for Session Minutes	2.18

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is responsible for the equipment distribution program. The amount requested from ITD for the upcoming fiscal year will be \$250,000. DHS will be requesting \$250,000 every 2 years instead of \$125,000 per year.

We recommend keeping the rate at 4 cents per access line. We try to stabilize the relay service rate from period to period, so the local exchange companies and radio communications service providers will not be forced to change their billing from year to year. This has been a request from the providers in the past.

If you have any questions, please give me a call at 328-1001.

Sincerely,



Mike J. Ressler, Director
Information Technology Department

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TRF		
FED TAX ID	ACCESS LINE PROVIDER	DEC '13
45-0102245	ABSARAKA COOP TEL	42
38-3483729	ACN COMMUNICATION	4
13-4924710	AT&T CORP	1,058
84-1118724	BADLANDS CELLULAR OF ND LP LP ND 4	23,791
45-0236554	BEK COMMUNICATIONS	6,966
84-1228865	BISMARCK MSA LP	61,839
38-3532242	BULLSEYE TELECOM, INC.	160
72-1122018	CINCINNATI BELL ANY DIST	23
23-2933555	COAST TO COAST CELLULAR INC.	8
45-0274821	CONSOLIDATED TELCOM	16,458
93-1178435	CONSUMER CELLULAR	797
45-0441763	CTC COMMUNICATIONS	52
33-0879924	CRICKET COMMUNICATIONS,INC	19
45-0237471	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM COOP	1,593
45-0440740	DAKOTA CENTRAL TEL I	2,283
45-0457235	DAKTEL COMMUNICATIONS	3,867
45-0230868	DICKEY RURAL TELEPHONE	9,490
72-1557371	dishNET WIRELINE, LLC	127
26-3715190	EnTelegent Solutions, Inc	9
45-4522585	Envents	55,115
34-1870807	FIRST COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	111
04-3643290	GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1,406
20-5905506	GREENFLY NETWORKS, INC	27
45-0141600	GRIGGS COUNTY TEL	2,446
41-0295070	HALSTAD TEL	821
93-1288563	INTEGRA TELECOM, INC	7,772
45-0454396	INTER-COMMUNITY TEL	1,885
46-0427192	IONEX COMM NORTH, INC.	264
20-4102973	I-WIRELESS	2
46-0233062	JAMES VALLEY COOP TELE CO	7
20-0335621	KAJEET INC	9
13-3522662	KIDDI America, Inc	4
47-0807040	LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATION	8,682
41-0445130	LORETEL SYSTEMS	42
75-2332193	MATRIX TELECOM, INC.	13
52-2102063	MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES	607
42-1407242	McLEOD USA	918
13-4142448	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF ND, INC.	250
41-1957148	MID CONTINENT COMM	38,288
45-6012995	MIDSTATE TEL	2,085
45-0442556	MIDSTATE COMM	990
91-1832906	MID-STATES WIRELESS	175
45-0456716	MIDWEST MGT	48
33-1015308	MISSOURI VALLEY COMM	8,830
84-1118723	NORTH CENTRAL RSA 2 ND	14,730
84-1121999	ND 5 KIDDER LP	15,558
91-1469956	ND RSA #3 (US WEST)	39,514
41-0902524	ND TELEPHONE	12,546
81-0243437	NEMONT TEL	307
22-3330080	NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS	123,065
91-1825198	NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK CO	11,909
84-1118722	NORTHWEST DAKOTA CELLULAR	58,699
38-3506814	ONSTAR CORPORATION	970
46-0459512	ORBITCOM INC	2,260
45-0236904	POLAR COMM	8,079
45-0454247	POLAR TELECOM INC.	572
84-0273800	QWEST	47,865
26-1827824	READY WIRELESS, LLC	18
45-0251341	RED RIVER TEL	3,064
45-0233514	RESERVATION TEL	10,139
46-0182710	ROBERTS COUNTY TEL	96
46-0434741	RC COMMUNICATIONS	8
41-1693295	RURAL CELLULAR CORP	755
45-0418249	SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC	28,498
48-1165245	SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P.	17,848
91-1973799	T-MOBILE CENTRAL LLC	372
90-0928958	TNCI OPERATING COMPANY, LLC	11
45-0442529	TURTLE MTN COMM	6,328
45-0239389	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	2,821
41-1539337	US LINK	399
20-3677651	VELOCITY THE GREATEST	9
94-3336704	VERIZON WIRELESS	146,669
94-3410099	VIRGIN MOBILE USA, LLC	4,653
45-0236082	WEST RIVER TEL	12,061
46-0256147	WEST RIVER COOP	112
41-0618830	WOLVERTON TEL	256
94-2987585	WORKING ASSETS	97
91-1648775	WWC HOLDING CO INC	96
	TOTAL	829,767