



Missouri Valley

Communications, INC.

TOTAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS

June 30, 2015

Mr. Darrell Nitschke, Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 408
Bismarck, North Dakota 58505-0480



Re: **Missouri Valley Communications, Inc.**

Application for Trade Secret Protection

FCC Form 481 filed pursuant to 47 CFR 54.313 and 47 CFR 54.422

Dear Mr. Nitschke:

Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. (MVC) is submitting this Application to request that the financial, outages and unfulfilled service request information contained in our FCC Form 481 be treated as confidential. This information has been filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) subject to a Protective Order, issued by the FCC on November 16, 2012.

Information claimed confidential includes detailed financial, outages and unfulfilled service request information that is competitively sensitive data not normally made available to the public. Public disclosure of such information would likely cause substantial harm to the financial position of MVC. Competitors, such as other telecommunication providers including CLEC's and wireless companies, can gain an unfair economic advantage if financial information is not kept confidential. This sensitive information is only made available to the Board of Directors, the Federal Communications Commission and state Commission.

MVC is a privately held Rate of Return carrier and reports information to a board of directors. The FCC has allowed privately held Rate of Return carriers to submit their filings to the FCC confidentially and MVC respectfully requests that the same information provided to the FCC be treated in the same manner with the Commission.

Other telecommunications carriers such as wireless, long distance, cable companies and other Local Exchange Carriers should not be granted access to this filing.

The FCC has granted a blanket Protective Order for the filing of confidential information.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at 406-202-4203 or via e-mail at msbarrows@juno.com

Sincerely,

Sandra Barrows

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Enclosures

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