



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, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

FISCAL YEAR '15-'16

REVENUE:

Estimated Balance June 30, 2015	\$ 137,961	
798,165 Access Lines/Numbers x 4 cents x 12 months x 95%	\$ 363,960	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 501,921

EXPENSES:

Relay Service Contract	\$ 223,000	
Department of Human Services (Equipment Distribution)	\$ 0	
ITD Administrative Expense	\$ 5,000	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 228,000
ESTIMATED BALANCE JUNE 30, 2016		\$ 273,921

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 798,165 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 March, 2015 provided by Sprint:

Number of Minutes of Service Compensation	4,236
Number of Calls into Relay Service	2,614
Length of Call for Session Minutes	1.92

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 \$0. DHS will be requesting \$250,000 every 2 years.

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, CIO
Information Technology Department

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attachment:

TRF		
FED TAX ID	ACCESS LINE PROVIDER	DEC'14
45-0102245	ABSARAKA COOP TEL	39
13-4924710	AT&T CORP	815
84-1118724	BADLANDS CELLULAR OF ND LP LP ND 4	26,031
45-0236554	BEK COMMUNICATIONS	7,173
84-1228865	BISMARCK MSA LP	62,517
38-3532242	BULLSEYE TELECOM, INC.	118
06-1554080	CTC OF MINNESOTA	47
23-2933555	COAST TO COAST CELLULAR INC.	8
45-0274821	CONSOLIDATED TELCOM	16,243
93-1178435	CONSUMER CELLULAR	1,317
33-0879924	CRICKET COMMUNICATIONS, INC	9
45-0237471	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM COOP	1,544
45-0440740	DAKOTA CENTRAL TEL I	2,226
45-0457235	DAKTEL COMMUNICATIONS	3,898
45-0203868	DICKEY RURAL TEL	9,592
72-1557371	dishNET WIRELINE, LLC	182
26-3715190	EnTelegent Solutions, Inc	9
45-4522252	ENVENTIS	7,740
34-1870807	FIRST COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	80
04-3643290	GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1,383
20-5905506	GREENFLY NETWORKS, INC	25
45-0141600	GRIGGS COUNTY TEL	2,434
41-0295070	HALSTAD TEL	824
93-1288563	INTEGRA TELECOM, INC	5,141
45-0454396	INTER-COMMUNITY TEL	1,837
46-0427192	IONEX COMM NORTH, INC.	243
20-4102973	I-WIRELESS	1
46-0233062	JAMES VALLEY COOP TELE CO	7
20-0335621	KAJEET INC	8
13-3522662	KIDDI America, Inc	2
47-0807040	LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATION	7,883
41-0445130	LORETEL SYSTEMS	43
75-2332193	MATRIX TELECOM, INC.	10
52-2102063	MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES	718
42-1407242	McLEOD USA	501
13-4142448	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF ND, INC.	255
41-1957148	MID CONTINENT COMM	41,215
45-6012995	MIDSTATE TEL	2,198
45-0442556	MIDSTATE COMM	992
91-1832906	MID-STATES WIRELESS	75
45-0456716	MIDWEST MGT	44
33-1015308	MISSOURI VALLEY COMM	8,909
84-1118723	NORTH CENTRAL RSA 2 ND	14,838
84-1121999	ND 5 KIDDER LP	16,174
91-1469956	ND RSA #3 (US WEST)	39,860
41-0902524	ND TELEPHONE	12,249
81-0243437	NEMONT TEL	353
22-3330080	NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS	122,201
91-1825198	NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK CO	11,404
45-0235053	NORTHWEST COMM	6,385
84-1118722	NORTHWEST DAKOTA CELLULAR	63,457
38-3506814	ONSTAR CORPORATION	1,435
46-0459512	ORBITCOM INC	2,063
45-0236904	POLAR COMM	8,128
45-0454247	POLAR TELECOM INC.	206
84-0273800	QWEST	43,498
26-1827824	READY WIRELESS, LLC	28
45-0251341	RED RIVER TEL	3,061
45-0233514	RESERVATION TEL	11,058
46-0182710	ROBERTS COUNTY TEL	95
46-0434741	RC COMMUNICATIONS	9
41-1693295	RURAL CELLULAR CORP	848
45-0418249	SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC	27,458
48-1165245	SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P.	17,496
39-1651844	TDS METROCOM LLC	935
99-0367110	TING, INC.	211
91-1973799	T-MOBILE CENTRAL LLC	333
45-0442529	TURTLE MTN COMM	6,545
45-0239389	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	2,857
20-3677651	VELOCITY THE GREATEST	5
46-0238017	VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS	13
94-3336704	VERIZON WIRELESS	154,235
94-3410099	VIRGIN MOBILE USA, LLC	3,898
45-0236082	WEST RIVER TEL	11,906
46-0256147	WEST RIVER COOP	116
41-0618830	WOLVERTON TEL	246
94-2987585	WORKING ASSETS	99
91-1648775	WWC HOLDING CO INC	126
	TOTAL	798,165