



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, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

FISCAL YEAR '17-'18

REVENUE:

Estimated Balance June 30, 2017	\$ 160, 840	
783,358 Access Lines/Numbers x 4 cents x 12 months x 95%	<u>\$ 357,211</u>	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 518,051

EXPENSES:

Relay Service Contract	\$ 212,320	
Department of Human Services (Equipment Distribution)	\$ 125,000	
ITD Administrative Expense	<u>\$ 5,000</u>	
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 342,320
ESTIMATED BALANCE JUNE 30, 2018		\$ 175,731

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 783,358 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, 2017 provided by Sprint:

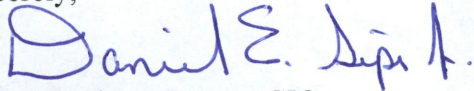
Total Minutes of Service Compensation	2,892
Number of Calls into Relay Service	2,266
Length of Call for Session Minutes	1.56

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 \$125,000.

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.

Please let me know if you approve our recommendation. If you have any questions, please give me a call at 328-4317.

Sincerely,



Daniel E. Sipes, Deputy CIO
Information Technology Department

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FED TAX ID	ACCESS LINE PROVIDER	DEC'16
45-0102245	ABSARAKA COOP TEL	37
13-4924710	AT&T CORP	934
84-1118724	BADLANDS CELLULAR OF ND LP LP ND 4	26,181
56-2242657	BANDWIDTH.COM INC	372
22-3293327	BCN TELECOM, INC	6
45-0236554	BEK COMMUNICATIONS	8,493
84-1228865	BISMARCK MSA LP	63,408
38-3532242	BULLSEYE TELECOM, INC.	127
04-6141739	CENTURYLINK COMMUNICA	1,064
06-1554080	CTC OF MINNESOTA	39
45-0274821	CONSOLIDATED TELCOM	16,475
93-1178435	CONSUMER CELLULAR	2,788
26-3584632	CYTRACOM LLC	17
45-0237471	DAKOTA CENTRAL TELECOM COOP	1,615
45-0440740	DAKOTA CENTRAL TEL I	2,207
45-0457235	DAKTEL COMMUNICATIONS	4,164
45-0230868	DICKEY RURAL TELEPHONE	9,521
46-3527918	DIGIUM CLOUD SERVICES,LLC	1
72-1557371	dishNET WIRELINE, LLC	192
34-1870807	FIRST COMMUNICATIONS, LLC	50
48-1252979	GARMIN USA INC.	1
46-3261020	GOOGLE NORTH AMERICA	448
04-3643290	GRANITE TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1,862
20-2955204	GREATCALL, INC. dba Jitterbug	1,572
20-5905506	GREENFLY NETWORKS, INC	16
45-0141600	GRIGGS COUNTY TEL	2,547
41-0295070	HALSTAD TEL	777
48-3874852	ICOMMERCE SERVICES	1
45-4522252	IDEAONE TELECOM, INC. dba CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS	8,357
93-1288563	INTEGRA TELECOM, INC	5,004
45-0454396	INTER-COMMUNITY TEL	1,771
72-1310576	INTERFACE SECURITY SYST	34
46-0427192	IONEX COMM NORTH, INC.	1,431
20-5685978	IP NETWORKED SERVICES	11
20-4102973	I-WIRELESS	2
46-0233062	JAMES VALLEY COOP TELE CO	5
20-0335621	KAJEET INC	5
47-0807040	LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATION	6,133
41-0445130	LORETEL SYSTEMS	28
81-1101638	MAGIC JACK SMB, INC	4
38-3732252	MASERGY CLOUD COMMUN.	33
75-2332193	MATRIX TELECOM, INC.	6
52-2102063	MCIMETRO ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES	730
42-1407242	McLEOD USA	292
13-4142448	METROPOLITAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF ND, INC.	279
41-1957148	MID CONTINENT COMM	41,836
45-6012995	MIDSTATE TEL	2,206
45-0442556	MIDSTATE COMM	920
91-1832906	MID-STATES WIRELESS	75
45-0456716	MIDWEST MGT	34
33-1015308	MISSOURI VALLEY COMM	8,647
84-1118723	NORTH CENTRAL RSA 2 ND	14,457
84-1121999	ND 5 KIDDER LP	16,623
91-1469956	ND RSA #3 (US WEST)	39,563
41-0902524	ND TELEPHONE	12,137
81-0243437	NEMONT TEL	317
22-3330080	NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS	116,494
91-1825198	NORTH DAKOTA NETWORK CO	10,044
45-0235053	NORTHWEST COMM	5,796
84-1118722	NORTHWEST DAKOTA CELLULAR	61,141
38-3506814	ONSTAR CORPORATION	7,124
45-0236904	POLAR COMM	7,941
45-0454247	POLAR TELECOM INC.	3
84-0273800	QWEST WIRELESS, LLC	28,157
26-1827824	READY WIRELESS, LLC	50
45-0251341	RED RIVER RURAL TELE	3,045
45-0233514	RESERVATION TEL	12,241
46-182710	RC TECHNOLOGIES	101
41-1693295	RURAL CELLULAR CORP	989
81-1585451	SIMPLEVOIP	8
84-1419940	SKYLAND TECHNOLOGIES	59
45-0418249	SRT COMMUNICATIONS, INC	24,015
48-1165245	SPRINT SPECTRUM, L.P.	16,709
45-0567465	STANDING ROCK TELECOMMUNICATIONS	1,449
47-1233778	TALK AMERICA SERVICES, LLC	84
39-1651844	TDS METROCOM	217
99-0367110	TING, INC.	307
91-1973799	T-MOBILE CENTRAL LLC	693
45-0442529	TURTLE MTN COMM	6,071
45-0239389	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS	2,611
20-3677651	VELOCITY THE GREATEST	9
46-0238017	VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS	13
94-3336704	VERIZON WIRELESS	158,443
94-3410099	VIRGIN MOBILE USA, LLC	1,572
45-0236082	WEST RIVER TEL	11,647
46-0256147	WEST RIVER COOP	124
41-0618830	WOLVERTON TEL	270
94-2987585	WORKING ASSETS	76
	TOTAL	783,358