

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**North Dakota Network Co.
Designated Eligible Carrier
Cancellation / Application**

Case No. PU-18-91

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMENT

March 29, 2018

On July 31, 2003, the Commission designated North Dakota Network Co. (NDNC) as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving federal universal service financial support for providing universal telecommunications services, in the study area served by SRT Communications, Inc. in North Dakota, using wireless personal communications facilities, Case No. PU-2048-03-235.

On March 22, 2006, the Commission designated NDNC as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving federal universal service financial support for providing universal telecommunications services in the expanded area in which NDNC is licensed by the Federal Communications Commission for provision of wireless personal communications services in North Dakota (Basic Trading Area 229), Case No. PU-05-653.

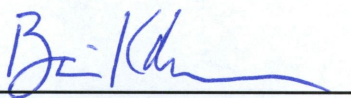
On March 13, 2018, the Commission received notice of NDNC's intention to relinquish its ETC designations since, as of February 28, 2018, NDNC is no longer providing wireless services.

Under 47 U.S.C. section 214(e)(4) and 47 C.F.R. section 54.205, the Commission shall permit a carrier to relinquish its ETC designation for an area served by more than one eligible telecommunications carrier. Prior to permitting a telecommunications carrier designated as an eligible telecommunications carrier to cease providing universal service in an area served by more than one eligible telecommunications carrier, the state commission shall require the remaining eligible telecommunications carrier or carriers to ensure that all customers served by the relinquishing carrier will continue to be served, and shall require sufficient notice to permit the purchase or construction of adequate facilities by any remaining eligible telecommunications carrier. The state commission shall establish a time, not to exceed one year after the state commission approves such relinquishment under this section, within which such purchase or construction shall be completed. NDNC states that there is more than one ETC in each area where NDNC is designated as an ETC.

The Commission will receive written comments in this proceeding until close of business on May 15, 2018.

For more information, contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials, please notify the Commission.

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