

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

**Cable One VoIP LLC
Designated Eligible Carrier
Application**

Case No. PU-21-123

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

April 14, 2021

On March 30, 2021, Cable One VoIP LLC (Cable One) filed an application for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) for the purpose of receiving Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Phase I funding in FCC specified census blocks in North Dakota. The FCC requires that Cable One be designated as an ETC by June 7, 2021. Cable One proposes to provide these services using a combination of its own facilities and the facilities of other carriers.

In the March 30, 2021 application, Cable One also seeks designation as an ETC for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support for low-income consumers under 47 CFR Part 54 Subpart E. Cable One proposes to provide lifeline service in the Reed, Briarwood, Fargo, Prairie Rose, Horace, Frontier, Cass and Reile's Acres areas within the Fargo exchange. Such designation is also known as Lifeline-only ETC designation. Cable One proposes to provide Lifeline universal services to qualifying low-income North Dakota customers using a combination of its own facilities and the facilities of others.

The issues to be considered in both matters are:

1. Is the applicant qualified under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Section 214(e) for designation as an ETC eligible to receive federal universal service funding?
2. What ETC universal service support area should be designated?
3. Is designation of the applicant as an ETC in the public interest?

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. **Comments and requests for hearings must be received by May 24, 2021.** If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a formal hearing.

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

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