

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

West River Telecommunications Cooperative
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Case No. PU-22-42

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY REGULAR MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Geralyn R. Schmaltz deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **4th day of January 2023**, she deposited in the United States Mail at Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope by first class mail, fully prepaid, securely sealed each containing a photocopy of:

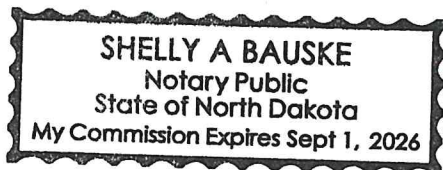
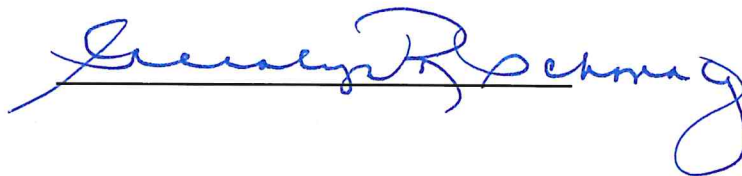
- **Staff Response to Application for Protection of Information**

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Marlene Bennett
Consortia Consulting
2100 Highland Way Suite V
Mitchell, SD 57301

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **4th day of January 2023**.





Notary Public

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STAFF RESPONSE TO APPLICATION FOR PROTECTION OF INFORMATION

On June 14, 2022, and July 22, 2022, West River Telecommunications Cooperative filed protected information in the above captioned case.

Without an application for the protection of the information, or an explanation of why an application is not necessary, Staff cannot evaluate the merits for the protection of the information. Staff issues this response as a determination that the information does not qualify, and under North Dakota Administrative Rule 69-02-09-05 West River Telecommunications Cooperative has seven (7) days to request a hearing before the commission.

Dated this 3rd day of January 2023.



Brian Johnson
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