



June 5, 2025

Mr. Steve Kahl
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
State Capitol
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Twelfth Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

Re: North Dakota Intrastate Access Group
North Dakota Tariff No. 1

Dear Mr. Kahl:

JSI files the attached tariff material on behalf of North Dakota Intrastate Access Coalition North Dakota Tariff No. 1 issuing carriers (“issuing carriers”) listed at Appendix A. Proposed revisions are made in compliance with current Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) rules governing intercarrier compensation. The proposed revisions bear an effective date of July 1, 2025.

National Exchange Carrier Association (“NECA”) interstate switched access rates are expected to increase effective July 1, 2025, thereby decreasing certain capped rates which the issuing carriers must match for terminating access by July 1, 2025,¹. Rates are based on the 18.4483% interstate switched access rate decrease as announced by NECA on April 10, 2025 (see Exhibit 1). If NECA rates approved by the FCC differ from those proposed in this filing, rates will be adjusted to match the approved NECA rates. Issuing carriers’ interstate terminating switched access rates are contained in NECA Tariff F.C.C. No. 5 which may be found at <https://www.neca.org/member-services/tariff-5>.

Due to Northwest Communications Cooperative, Inc.’s (NCC) acquisition of the Study Area previously owned by Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (ND) and Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. (Study Area Code (SAC) 382247), please be advised that under the new

¹ See *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.*, Order DA 13-564 (rel. March 27, 2013).



ownership, the SAC is now called “NCC Enterprises”. This new name will be used for the Intrastate Access Tariffs. Prior to the transaction, the Intrastate Tariffs included separate rate sections for Nemont Telephone Cooperative, Inc. and Missouri Valley Communications, Inc. Those two rate sections will now be replaced with the new rate section for NCC Enterprises.

Any questions regarding the filing may be directed to the undersigned at ryan.denzel@jsitel.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Ryan Denzel

Ryan Denzel
Vice President

on behalf of
North Dakota Intrastate Access Group

Enclosures

cc: North Dakota Public Service Commission (via email)
North Dakota Intrastate Access Group-North Dakota Tariff No. 1-Issuing Carriers

APPENDIX A

North Dakota Intrastate Access Group
North Dakota Tariff No. 1 – Issuing Carriers

BEK Communications Cooperative

Consolidated Telcom

Dakota Central Telecommunications Cooperative

Dakota Central Telecom I, Inc.

Dickey Rural Telephone Cooperative

Griggs County Telephone Company

Inter-Community Telephone Company, LLC

Griggs County Telephone Company (Moore and Liberty)

North Dakota Telephone Company

Northwest Communications Cooperative

Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation Study Area 381614

Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation Study Area 381630

Red River Rural Telephone Association

Reservation Telephone Cooperative

Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc.

United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp.

West River Telecommunications Cooperative

Wolverton Telephone Company

NCC Enterprises

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For your information

Switched access rate changes and CAF ICC Data Collection reminder

April 10, 2025

To: General and pool contacts at TS and SW pool members

Switched access rate changes

Federal Communications Commission rules require us to adjust capped interstate switched access rates, other than terminating end office rates and originating toll-free rates specified in the 8YY Access Charge Reform Order, to reflect pool election changes. Pool election changes for the upcoming tariff year resulted in an 18.4483% decrease from current rate levels following the methodology specified in 47 CFR §51.909(a)(6). We will adjust switched access rates by the factor for the upcoming tariff year. This decrease was reflected in the data shown in the CAF ICC website when it opened on March 17 for data entry.

We will apply the rate decrease related to pool election changes to originating non-toll-free end office rates and all non-toll-free transport rate elements. Rates are rounded up to the last significant decimal place for a five or greater and rounded down otherwise.

In the [CAF ICC website](#) (login required), we will modify the following for test period 2025-2026:

- Interstate switched access rate levels
- Intrastate switched access rate levels for those companies with intrastate rates at parity with interstate rates
- Switched access revenues

Interstate terminating end office access service rates remain as bill and keep.

Proposed interstate and intrastate monthly and nonrecurring switched access rates can be viewed in the CAF ICC Data Collection website in the Study Area Intrastate Data section by selecting the Intrastate Revenues (FCC TRP) Output link. Your company's existing local switching and local transport rate band assignments will remain unchanged in the upcoming filing. **Adjusted intrastate rates will be available on April 17 and need to be filed with state regulatory commissions.**

CAF ICC Data Collection reminder

The CAF ICC Data Collection will remain open for data submission until **midnight ET on Thursday, April 17**. For access, go to our [website](#) (login required) and select Member Services > Data Collections and Tools > CAF ICC Data Collection.

Questions?

Please contact your member service manager.

Sincerely,



Jeffrey Phillips

cc: Authorized consultants