

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., d/b/a IOWA TELECOM	DOCKET NO. RPU-02-4
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ORDER SHORTENING TIME TO RESPOND TO MOTION TO COMPEL

(Issued August 23, 2002)

On May 24, 2002, Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc. (Iowa Telecom), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a motion for an order compelling Coon Rapids Municipal Communications Utilities, Grundy Center Municipal Communications Utility, Harlan Municipal Utilities, Reinbeck Municipal Telecommunications Utility, Manning Municipal Communication and Television System Utility, and The Community Cable Television Agency of O'Brien County, d/b/a The Community Agency and TCA¹ (the "Municipal Utility Intervenors"), to produce certain information.

Iowa Telecom recites that it submitted data requests to the Municipal Utility Intervenors and that certain responses indicated that the information sought was confidential. Iowa Telecom then sent a letter requesting production of the confidential information and submitting a protective agreement. By responsive letter, the Municipal Utility Intervenors refused to produce the information, arguing the

¹ The cities of Hartley, Paullina, and Primghar, only.

protective agreement was inadequate. Iowa Telecom offered a revised protective agreement, but states in its motion to compel that counsel for the Municipal Utility Intervenors has stated that the materials will not be produced in the absence of a Board order.

The hearing in this matter is scheduled for September 4, 2002, that is, seven business days from the date of this order. In order to allow time for ruling on this motion to compel, the Board will shorten the time for responding to the motion to compel. Any responses must be filed on or before Tuesday, August 27, 2002, so that the Board may consider the pleadings and issue a ruling as far in advance of the hearing as possible.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Any responses to the "Motion To Compel" filed on August 22, 2002, by Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., must be filed with the Board no later than August 27, 2002.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23rd day of August, 2002.