

STATE OF IOWA  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
UTILITIES BOARD

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<p>IN RE:</p> <p>LTDS CORPORATION,                      Petitioner,</p> <p>vs.</p> <p>IOWA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC., d/b/a IOWA TELECOM,                      Respondent.</p>	<p style="text-align:center">DOCKET NO. ARB-05-3</p>
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**ORDER ACCEPTING STIPULATION OF PROCEDURAL SCHEDULE**

(Issued May 6, 2005)

On March 31, 2005, LTDS Corporation (LTDS) filed a petition with the Utilities Board (Board) requesting the Board arbitrate certain terms and conditions of a proposed interconnection agreement between LTDS and Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom (Iowa Telecom).

On April 12, 2005, the Board issued an order docketing LTDS's petition and setting a telephone conference pursuant to 199 IAC 38.7(3)"g." The telephone conference took place as scheduled on April 21, 2005. As part of that conference, LTDS and Iowa Telecom agreed to discuss a schedule for this proceeding.

On April 29, 2005, LTDS and Iowa Telecom jointly submitted a stipulated procedural schedule in this docket. The Board has reviewed the stipulated schedule and will approve it.

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:**

1. The stipulated procedural schedule filed jointly in Docket No. ARB-05-3 by LTDS Corporation and Iowa Telecommunications Services, Inc., d/b/a Iowa Telecom, on April 29, 2005, is approved.
2. The following procedural schedule is established:
  - a. The parties shall simultaneously file prepared direct testimony, with underlying workpapers and exhibits, on or before May 11, 2005.
  - b. The parties shall simultaneously file any rebuttal testimony, with supporting exhibits and workpapers, on or before May 18, 2005.
  - c. A hearing for the purpose of receiving testimony and cross-examination of all testimony will commence at 9 a.m. on May 23, 2005, in the Board's hearing room at 350 Maple Street, Des Moines, Iowa. Parties shall appear one-half hour prior to the time of hearing to mark exhibits. Persons with disabilities requiring assistive services or devices to observe or participate should contact the Board at 515-281-5256 to request that appropriate arrangements be made.
  - d. Any party desiring to file a brief may do so on or before June 6, 2005.

e. Any party desiring to file a reply brief may do so on or before June 13, 2005.

3. In the absence of objection, all workpapers shall become a part of the evidentiary record at the time the related testimony and exhibits are entered into the record.

4. In the absence of objection, all data requests and responses referred to in oral testimony or cross-examination, which have not previously been filed with the Board, shall become a part of the evidentiary record. The party making reference to the data request or response shall file an original and six copies at the earliest possible time.

5. In the absence of objection, if the Board calls for further evidence on any issue and that evidence is filed after the close of hearing, the evidentiary record shall be reopened and the evidence will become a part of the evidentiary record five days after filing. All evidence filed pursuant to this paragraph shall be filed no later than five days after the close of hearing.

6. Pursuant to 199 IAC 7.7(2) and (11), the time for filing responses or objections to data requests and motions will be shortened to five days from the date the motion is filed or the data request is served. All data requests and motions

should be served by facsimile transfer or by electronic mail in addition to United States mail.

**UTILITIES BOARD**

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper  
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2005.