

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

<p>IN RE:</p> <p>PRAIRIEWAVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.,</p> <p style="text-align:center">Petitioner,</p> <p style="text-align:center">v.</p> <p>AT&T CORPORATION,</p> <p style="text-align:center">Respondent.</p>	<p style="text-align:center">DOCKET NO. FCU-05-71</p>
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ORDER SHORTENING TIME FOR ANSWER

(Issued November 23, 2005)

On November 21, 2005, PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. (PrairieWave), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a "Complaint and Request for Expedited Proceeding." PrairieWave alleges AT&T Corporation (AT&T) used and benefited from, but failed to fully pay for, intrastate access services provided by PrairieWave.

Specifically, PrairieWave states it is a competitive local exchange carrier providing services in the Storm Lake and Lakeside, Iowa, exchanges. PrairieWave asserts it provided originating and terminating access services to AT&T for customers who selected AT&T as their interexchange carrier from September 30, 2002, to the present. PrairieWave alleges that AT&T's use of the equal access service obligates AT&T to pay for the service under the filed tariffs and applicable Iowa law.

PrairieWave alleges that AT&T's refusal to pay the approved rate for the service is unjust and unreasonable and has resulted in damages to PrairieWave. PrairieWave asserts AT&T owes PrairieWave a total of \$4,109.52 as of September 30, 2005, an amount that includes only the intrastate access charges.

PrairieWave asks for a judgment against AT&T requiring AT&T to pay for unpaid intrastate switched access services and late payment penalties, PrairieWave's costs, and prejudgment and postjudgment interest on the unpaid balances. PrairieWave also asks for any other relief the Board finds fair and just.

The Board observes that while PrairieWave requested expedited proceedings, it did not invoke any specific statutory provision providing a particular timeframe in which the proceedings must be completed. In order to preserve the possibility of moving this matter forward as rapidly as possible, though, the Board will grant PrairieWave's request and will shorten the time in which AT&T must file its answer to PrairieWave's complaint. The answer will be due on or before November 30, 2005.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

On or before November 30, 2005, AT&T Corporation shall file its answer to the "Complaint and Request for Expedited Proceeding" filed on November 21, 2005, by PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 23rd day of November, 2005.