

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

<p>IN RE:</p> <p>AVENTURE COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY, LLC,</p> <p style="text-align:center">Complainant,</p> <p style="text-align:center">vs.</p> <p>NORTHWEST IOWA TELEPHONE, LLC,</p> <p style="text-align:center">Respondent.</p>	<p style="text-align:center">DOCKET NO. FCU-06-43</p>
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**ORDER ACKNOWLEDGING STATUS REPORT AND
REQUIRING FURTHER NOTICE OR REPORT**

(Issued November 28, 2006)

On May 24, 2006, Aventure Communications Technology, LLC (Aventure), filed with the Utilities Board (Board) a complaint against Northwest Iowa Telephone, LLC (NWIT), and a request for termination of NWIT's rural exemption. The Board docketed Aventure's complaint, established an expedited procedural schedule, and opened an inquiry into whether NWIT's rural exemption should be terminated.

By order issued July 26, 2006, the Board canceled the hearing that had been scheduled in this matter based on the parties' representation that a hearing was not necessary because they were engaged in voluntary negotiations. The Board suspended the procedural schedule and required the parties to file a status report detailing the progress of their negotiations.

On November 6, 2006, the parties filed a third status report. The report indicates that while progress has been made toward implementing the settlement and the filed interconnection agreement, traffic is not yet being exchanged. The parties ask the Board to hold this docket open and state they will either file notice when all aspects of the settlement are completed or a status report on December 1, 2006, if the settlement has not been completed by that date.

The Board will retain jurisdiction over this matter and will hold this docket open to allow the parties more time to put their settlement agreement into effect. The Board will require the parties to file notice when the settlement is completed or a status report on December 1, 2006, if the settlement is not completed by that date.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Aventure Communications Technology, LLC, and Northwest Iowa Telephone, LLC, shall notify the Board when their settlement has been completed or file a status report no later than December 1, 2006, detailing their progress toward completing the settlement.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Diane Munns

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 28th day of November, 2006.