

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD
REGION 8**

MID-WEST TELEPHONE SERVICE, INC.

and

CASE

8-CA-38901

WILFREDO PLACERES, AN INDIVIDUAL

MID-WEST TELEPHONE SERVICE, INC.

and

CASE

8-CA-39168

DUSTIN PORTER, AN INDIVIDUAL

MID-WEST TELEPHONE SERVICE, INC.

and

CASES

8-CA-39297

8-CA-39388

BEN FANNIN, AN INDIVIDUAL

MID-WEST TELEPHONE SERVICE, INC.

and

CASE

8-CA-39334

MIKE WILLIAMS, AN INDIVIDUAL

**COUNSEL FOR THE ACTING GENERAL COUNSEL’S RESPONSE TO
RESPONDENT’S PETITION FOR AMENDMENT OF RULE 102.145 TO INCREASE
MAXIMUM ATTORNEY FEES UNDER THE EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE ACT**

On December 14, 2012, Respondent filed a Petition for Amendment of Rule 102.145 to Increase Maximum Attorney Fees. Respondent’s Petition requests that the fee be increased to \$125.00 per hour. Section 102.145(b) of the Board’s Rules and Regulations caps attorney fees at \$75.00 per hour.

This matter is currently pending before the Board and Counsel for the Acting General Counsel expects that it will be addressed in that forum in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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PROOF OF SERVICE

On January 7, 2013, Counsel for the Acting General Counsel's Response to Respondent's Petition for Amendment of Rule 102.145 to Increase Maximum Attorney Fees was E-Filed on the Board's website, with a copy served on Respondent via electronic and regular U.S. mail at:

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Also on January 7, 2013, a copy of Counsel for the Acting General Counsel's Response to Respondent's Petition for Amendment of Rule 102.145 to Increase Maximum Attorney Fees was sent via regular U.S. mail to the following:

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