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Polar Board of Directors Approve Record \$7.3 million Capital Budget

PARK RIVER, ND – November 22, 2005 – Polar Communications Board of Directors announced today the approval of the 2006 Capital Budget totaling \$7,356,152. A large portion of this year's capital expenditures Budget will focus on the continued Outside Plant Rebuild Project. In the 2005 Budget, Polar Management recommended a five-year, \$10-12 million plan to rebuild the Outside Plant due to the outdated cable and capabilities of the current plant.

“The action taken today by the Polar board of directors is a significant milestone in our company's strategy to provide our customers the ability to access today and tomorrow's modern telecommunications services,” said David Dunning, General Manager/CEO.

The 2006 Budget will include a continuation of the Outside Plant Project focusing on the exchanges of Arthur, Hunter, Galesburg, Cavalier, Drayton and Michigan. Costs in the project will go toward cable, electronics, fiber, labor and engineering.

In addition, the 2006 budget includes an Outside Plant rebuild of Polar-owned Wolverton Telephone Company. This upgrade will provide the capability to bring broadband services to more customers in this area.

“Polar's continued mission is to be the best full-service telecommunications provider in the Red River Valley. That is why Polar is continually reinvesting its profits in an effort to bring more advanced services to the customer,” said Brian Udby, Polar Communications Board President.