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NISC's Goulet Appointed by Governor to North Dakota Economic Development Foundation

Mandan, N.D. --- Wally Goulet, Vice President of Compliance and Corporate Communications for National Information Solutions Cooperative (NISC), has been appointed as a member of the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation by North Dakota Governor John Hoeven. Goulet was appointed to the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation on March 15 and will serve until March 14, 2011.

As a member of this Foundation, Goulet will work with up to 30 members to create strategic plans to strengthen and broaden North Dakota's economic development. One of the exciting opportunities Goulet is looking forward to is sharing North Dakota's resources with other countries since one of his personal interests is exploring how North Dakota can capitalize on the rising economy in China.

"With China's middle class growing so fast, there is an opportunity for us to share our knowledge and resources about clean coal technology as well as our own information technology for delivering more electricity to their cities as they add 1,000 megawatts of new electrical capacity per month. I would also like for North Dakota's agricultural sector to capture a fair share of China's expanding desire for more diverse grains, meats and milling opportunities to meet the changing dietary needs of their middle class," said Goulet. "I am anxious to assist North Dakota in being keenly aware of these worldwide trends. This will not only define North Dakota's place in the world's market but also help ensure a better economic future for North Dakota."

About NISC

For over 40 years, NISC has delivered advanced solutions, services and support to more than 510 rural utilities, independent telephone companies and Fortune 100/500 corporations in 47 states and American Samoa as well as Canada. NISC has facilities in both Mandan, N.D. and Lake St. Louis, Mo. and employs over 740 professionals. Additional information about NISC may be found at www.nisc.coop.

About North Dakota Economic Development Foundation

The North Dakota Economic Development Foundation is a private foundation established by the Legislature in 2001 to provide private-sector guidance and oversight of the state's economic development efforts. The Foundation established and maintains a strategic plan for economic development. Twenty-three business leaders from all corners of the state serve on the Foundation. They meet quarterly to monitor progress toward economic development goals, to discuss major business and economic issues, and to offer suggestions for improving North Dakota's business climate. To learn more about the Foundation, visit www.ndcommerce.com.

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