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Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Confidential Settlement Agreement between Qwest Corporation and
McLeod Telecommunications Services, LLC dba PAETEC Business
Services regarding Interconnection Agreement in Docket No. TC99-057

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed please find a copy of a Confidential Settlement Agreement resolving a dispute between Qwest and PAETEC. First, there is a non-redacted version for the Commission's inspection, which is not for the public file, and is filed as Confidential (yellow paper and in a sealed envelope). Second, there is a redacted version for the public file, to be filed pursuant to Section 252 because it contains an agreement to enter into a prospective amendment to the parties' Interconnection Agreement. The public version redacts confidential and proprietary information about the historic dispute between Qwest and PAETEC.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. Thomson, Jr.", written over a horizontal line.

George Baker Thomson, Jr.

Enclosure

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