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**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

June 30, 2004

Ms. Pam Bonrud
Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission
State of South Dakota
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Ref: 2003 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study Filing

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

Per the requirements of ARSD 20:10:27, 20:10:28, and 20:10:29, we are submitting, on behalf of Vivian Telephone Company, their 2003 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study Filing.

On behalf of Vivian Telephone Company, and in accordance with rules ARSD 20:10:01:39 through 20:10:01:45(1), Heartland Consulting requests confidentiality for any and all information provided to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission pertaining to the 2003 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study Filing. All information has been labeled confidential and should be treated accordingly.

In accordance with rule ARSD 20:10:01:41 (2)

It is requested that the aforementioned information maintain confidentiality status for a five-year time frame.

In accordance with rule ARSD 20:10:01:41 (3)

The contact for the confidentiality request is as follows:

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We will supply the additional copies and supporting data in a few days.

If you should have any questions regarding the information provided, please feel free to contact me at (605) 995-6120.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Larry Hettinger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Enclosure
cc: Mr. George Strandell, VTC

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