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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE) DOCKET NO. TC05-073
APPLICATION OF LOCAL EXCHANGE)
CARRIERS ASSOCIATION AND ITS) MOTION TO ACCEPT
MEMBERS FOR WAIVER OF) AT&T'S LATE-FILED
SWITCHED ACCESS COST STUDY) PETITION FOR INTERVENTION
) OF AT&T COMMUNICATIONS
) OF MIDWEST, INC.

AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc. ("AT&T") hereby moves the Commission for an order granting its Motion to Accept Late-Filed Petition for Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding. As grounds therefore, AT&T states as follows:

- 1. While AT&T submits its intervention two business days after the deadline otherwise established by this Commission for intervention, it requests that the Commission nonetheless accept its intervention because the delay will not cause prejudice or harm to any party.
- 2. AT&T required the additional time to consult with its various service groups regarding the Local Exchange Carriers Association's proposals before it could determine whether it should seek to participate in this proceeding.
- 3. As the Petition for Intervention reveals, LECA's proposal will have a direct and potentially harmful impact upon AT&T. AT&T submits its Petition for Intervention Simultaneously herewith.

WHEREFORE, AT&T respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion and consider AT&T's Petition for Intervention in the above-captioned proceeding.

AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MIDWEST, INC.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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I hereby certify that on June 21, 2005, the original and 10 copies of AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.'s Motion to Accept AT&T's Late-Filed Petition for Intervention and AT&T's Petition for Intervention were sent via fax and overnight delivery service to:

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