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# WESTERN TELEPHONE COMPANY

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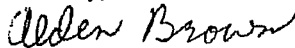
Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
Capital Building - 1st Floor  
300 E. Capital Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

As ordered in Docket TC05-153 and the Commission action of May 23, 2006, Western Telephone Company is responding to the Commission regarding its ability to provide implementation capability for 811 service. Western Telephone Company is in the process of preparing our equipment to provide the 811 implementation for South Dakota One-Call by 12-31-06. The Western Telephone Companies exchanges covered are Cresbard (605-324), Faulkton (605-598) and Orient (605-392).

If you have any questions or please feel free to call me at 605-598-6217.

Sincerely,



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