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Spirit of Service

August 10, 2005

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

RE: In the Matter of Qwest Corporation's Request of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for 2006 ETC Certification to the Federal Communications Commission for 2006 Federal Universal Service Support.

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

Please find enclosed for filing the original and ten copies of the Affidavit of Larry Toll dated August 10, 2005 and the Request for Confidential Treatment of Information along with the Plan for Use of 2006 Federal Universal Service Fund Support which is designated as confidential.

Sincerely yours,

Colleen E. Sevold
Manager-Policy & Law

Cc: Melissa Thompson
    Larry Toll

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

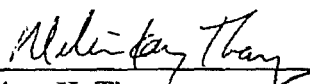|	
IN THE MATTER OF QWEST CORPORATION'S REQUEST OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR 2006 ETC CERTIFICATION TO THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR 2006 FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT	TC 05-_____ REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION

       Qwest Corporation ("Qwest"), by and through its counsel, requests confidential treatment of information pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41 as follows:

       1.   Qwest requests confidential protection and treatment of its Plan for Use of 2006 Federal Universal Service Fund Support (the "Plan"). The one-page Plan is marked as confidential, proprietary information and is provided in a sealed envelope.

       2.   The Plan must be protected for the life of this docket. When the docket is closed, all protected information must be returned to Qwest.

       3.   The Qwest representative to contact regarding this confidentiality request is Colleen Sevold, Qwest Corporation, 125 S. Dakota Avenue, 8th Floor, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57194; telephone: 605-335-4596.

       4.   This claim for protection is based upon ARSD 20:10:01:39(4) and SDCL section 37-29-1(4).

       5.   The document for which Qwest seeks confidential treatment contains proprietary business information. Disclosure of this document would provide actual and potential competitors with information that could give them a unique and unfair competitive advantage.

       WHEREFORE, Qwest respectfully asks the Commission to grant this request for confidential protection and treatment.

       DATED this 9th day of August, 2005.

                          QWEST CORPORATION

                          By:_____
                          Melissa K. Thompson
                          Qwest Services Corporation
                          1801 California, 10th Floor
                          Denver, CO 80202
                          (303) 383-6728

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST CORPORATION'S
REQUEST OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR 2006 ETC
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COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR
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AFFIDAVIT
OF LARRY TOLL

Larry Toll, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states as follows:
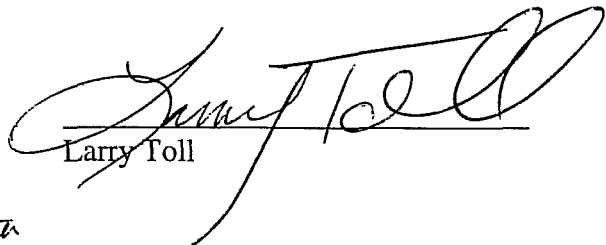
1.   I am employed by Qwest Services Corporation as the State President for South Dakota.

2.   Pursuant to section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and in compliance with 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Qwest Corporation is hereby certifying that it will use funds received from the Federal Universal Service High Cost Support Fund for the purposes prescribed.
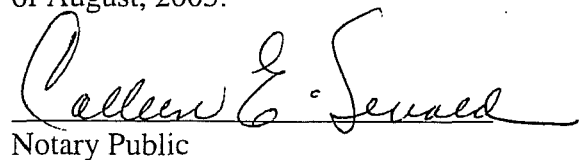
3.   This Affidavit is to certify that all Federal Universal Service High Cost Fund support provided to Qwest Corporation will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Further this affiant sayeth not.

DATED this /0th day of August, 2005.

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Larry Toll

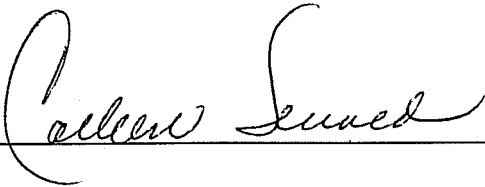Subscribed and sworn to before me this /0th day of August, 2005.

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Notary Public

My commission expires: /-//-2009

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that the original and ten copies of the foregoing **REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION** were delivered on August _11th_, 2005 to:

Pamela Bonrud, Executive Director
Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

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