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**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC  
UTILITIES COMMISSION**

March 27, 2006

Mr. Harlan Best, Utility Analyst  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State of South Dakota  
500 E. Capitol Ave  
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: TC05-223 SStelecom

Dear Mr. Best,

Please find attached an original bond signed by both the surety and the principal.

Let us know if you have any problems or questions regarding this bond.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Greg Hill", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

Greg Hill  
Underwriting Manager

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

INDEMNITY BOND  
To the  
PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Bond. No. 70047149

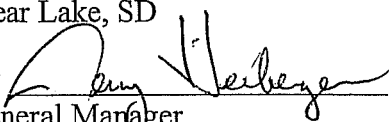
We, SStelecom, Inc., the principal and applicant for a CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY to resell long distance telecommunications services within the State of South Dakota, and Western Surety Company as an admitted surety insurer, bind ourselves unto the Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota and the consumers of South Dakota as Obligee, in the sum of \$25,000.00.

The conditions of the obligation are such that the principal, having been granted such CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY subject to the provision that said principal purchase this Indemnity Bond, and if said principal shall in all respects fully and faithfully comply with all applicable provisions of South Dakota State Law, and reimburse customers of SStelecom, Inc. for any prepayment or deposits they have made which may be unable or unwilling to return to said customers as a result of insolvency or other business failure, then this obligation shall be void, discharges and forever exonerated, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

This bond shall take effect as of the date hereon and shall remain in force and effect until the surety is released from liability by the written order of the Public Utilities Commission, provided that the surety may cancel this Bond and be relieved of further liability hereunder by delivering thirty (30) days written notice to the Public Utilities Commission. Such cancellation shall not affect any liability incurred or accrued hereunder prior to the termination of said thirty (30) day period.

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006  
To be effective this 9<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2006

SStelecom, Inc.  
Clear Lake, SD

By   
General Manager

Western Surety Company, Surety

By M. Bent M. Bent, Ass't. Sec.

Countersigned this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_  
Countersigned for South Dakota  
By **NOT NEEDED**  
Resident Agent