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RE: **MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS; SWIFTEL COMMUNICATIONS**
DOCKET TC07-007
Our file: 0053

Dear Patty:

Attached for filing is Midcontinent's Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket. Please file the same. There are no attachments.

With a copy of this letter service by e-mail and regular mail are made upon the service list who are not PUC staff.

Yours truly,

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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION)	DOCKET NO. TC07-007
OF BROOKINGS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES)	
D/B/A SWIFTEL COMMUNICATIONS)	
FOR SUSPENSION OR MODIFICATION)	MIDCONTINENT'S
OF DIALING PARITY, NUMBER)	PETITION TO
PORTABILITY AND RECIPROCAL)	INTERVENE
COMPENSATION OBLIGATIONS)	

COMES NOW Midcontinent Communications ("Midcontinent") and petitions the Commission to intervene in the captioned docket as follows:

1. Midcontinent is a certificated telecommunications company operating as a local exchange carrier and a long distance carrier under the jurisdiction of the Commission.

2. On January 30, 2007, Swiftel filed with the Commission a petition for suspension or modification of its obligations to provide local number portability, dialing parity and reciprocal compensation. Generally, Swiftel has requested that it not provide wireline local portability until four months after a competitive LEC is certified to provide local service in Swiftel's service territory, and that in the provisioning of local number portability Swiftel not be required to transport ported numbers beyond its service territory. Regarding dialing parity, Swiftel has asked for a determination that Swiftel is not required to provide local dialing and is not required to transport outside its service territory. This includes a modification of toll dialing parity requirements, thus relieving Swiftel of the responsibility to perform equal access function at its office or establish access traffic transport facilities other than common trunks to SDN. Swiftel has also requested an immediate suspension of these obligations.

3. Midcontinent has a financial interest in the outcome of this proceeding under which it will be bound and affected adversely with respect to its business, as distinguished from an interest

common to the public. The status of Midcontinent's long distance business, reciprocal compensation agreements with Swiftel, and the cost to Midcontinent could be adversely affected by the outcome of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE Midcontinent prays that the Commission permit its intervention and participation in this proceeding to examine and cross-examine witnesses and offer evidence on its own behalf.

Dated this 14th day of February, 2007.

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