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Patricia Van Gerpen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
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RE: Alltel Communications, Inc.
In the Matter of the Petition of Santel Communications for Modification of
Section 251(b)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended
TC08-027 GPGN File No. 5925.070220

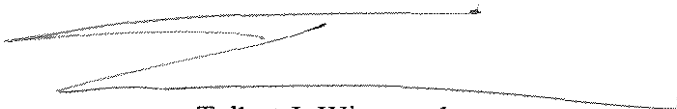
Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached please find Alltel's Petition to Intervene in the above-entitled matter (Docket TC08-027). By copy of same, counsel have been served.

Please note that Gene DeJordy's name appears on the Service List for this matter. Mr. DeJordy is no longer with Alltel/WWC. In future filings, please replace Mr. DeJordy's name with: Stephen Rowell, ALLTEL Communications, Inc., One Allied Drive, Little Rock, AR 72202 (e-mail Stephen.B.Rowell@alltel.com).

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,



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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Petition of)	
Santel Communications Cooperative, Inc.,)	Docket No. TC08-027
for Modification of)	
Section 251(b)(2) of the)	
Communications Act of 1934 as amended)	Petition for Formal Intervention

COMES NOW Alltel Communications, LLC. (“Alltel”), by and through its counsel, and pursuant to A.R.S.D. § 20:10:01:15:02, files this Petition for Formal Intervention, and in support thereof states as follows:

1. Alltel is a Delaware Limited Liability Company, with its principal place of business at One Allied Drive, Little Rock, AR 72202. Alltel is authorized to transact business in the State of South Dakota.

2. Alltel is a provider of commercial mobile radio services (“CMRS”) in South Dakota within the areas served by Petitioner and has been designated as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier within South Dakota by prior Orders of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

3. As a CMRS provider doing business in South Dakota within Petitioner’s service area, Alltel is an interested party in this proceeding as it may result in the delay of implementation of intermodal local number portability in South Dakota directly and negatively impacting Alltel’s South Dakota operations.

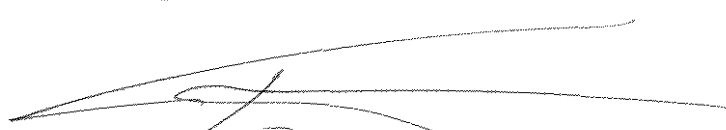
4. In addition, South Dakota consumers are adversely impacted by any suspension of the intermodal number portability obligation as they may be denied the opportunity to take advantage of various advanced wireless services if they want to retain their current number while changing providers. Finally, any suspension of an ILECs local number porting obligation exerts further pressure on available number (NPA)

exhaust issues. Alltel, therefore, desires to have Formal Intervenor status in order to participate in this proceeding in accordance with A.R.S.D. § 20:10:01:15:02.

WHEREAS, Alltel respectfully requests that the Commission grant it status as a Formal Intervenor in this matter and, as such, that Alltel be allowed to participate in this matter as provided in the Rules of Commission Procedure.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 29, 2008



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Petition for Formal Intervention (Docket TC08-027) was delivered by electronic mail this 29th day of February, 2008, to the following:

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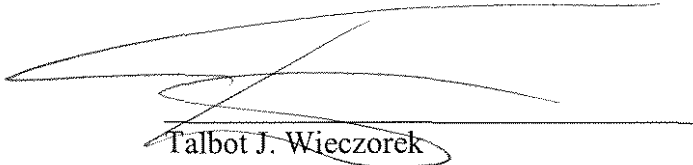
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