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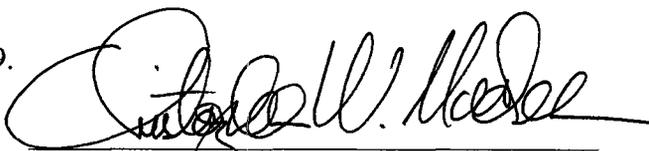
IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY  
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS,  
LLC, FOR AN EXTENSION OF AN  
EXEMPTION FROM DEVELOPING  
COMPANY SPECIFIC COST-BASED  
SWITCHED ACCESS RATES

QWEST COMMUNICATIONS  
CORPORATION'S JOINDER IN  
MIDCONTINENT'S MOTION FOR  
UNIFORMITY IN SWITCHED ACCESS  
RATES AND REPLY

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Qwest Communications Corporation n.k.a Qwest Communications Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("Qwest") by and through its undersigned counsel, respectfully joins Midcontinent's Motion for Uniformity in Switched Access Rates and for Evidentiary Hearing dated June 18, 2009 and Midcontinent's Reply Brief to Responses of the Captioned Telecommunications Companies dated August 21, 2009, to the extent the reply addresses the issues in this docket, TC09-031.

Dated this 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Christopher W. Madsen, hereby certify that I am a member of the law firm of Boyce, Greenfield, Pashby & Welk, L.L.P. and that on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009, I electronically filed *Qwest Communications Corporation's Joinder in Midcontinent's Motion for Uniformity in Switched Access Rates and Reply* and emailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing to the following persons:

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