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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
SD Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Docket No. TC 10-14
In the Matter of the Investigation of Pricing Regulation
for Switched Access Services Provided by Competitive
Local Exchange Carriers

Dear Patty:

Attached for electronic filing is Midstate Telecom, Inc.'s Petition for Intervention, with attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions about this matter, please contact me.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

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By:


Margo D. Northrup

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Enclosure

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE)	
INVESTIGATION OF PRICING)	
REGULATION FOR SWITCHED ACCESS)	DOCKET NO. TC10-014
SERVICES PROVIDED BY)	MIDSTATE TELECOM, INC'S
COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE)	PETITION FOR INTERVENTION
CARRIERS)	

**MIDSTATE TELECOM, INC.
PETITION TO INTERVENE**

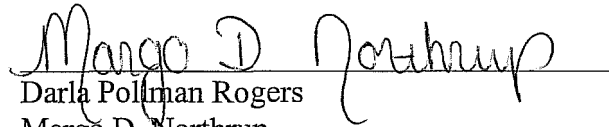
Midstate Telecom, Inc. (Midstate Telecom), by and through its counsel of record, hereby petitions to intervene as a party in this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02. In support of this Petition, Midstate Telecom states as follows:

1. Midstate Telecom is a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC) authorized to provide local exchange service in Chamberlain, South Dakota. Midstate Telecom will be affected by any action the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) may take in this action and, therefore, has a direct and immediate pecuniary interest in this Commission's decision in this docket.

2. Based on the foregoing, Petitioner is an interested party in this matter entitled to intervening party status.

WHEREFORE, Petitioner requests that the Commission grant this Petition and allow Midstate Telecom to intervene and be granted party status in this proceeding.

Dated this eighth day of February, 2010.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Margo D. Northrup". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that an original Petition to Intervene of MIDSTATE TELECOM, INC., filed in Docket No. TC10-014, was served upon the PUC electronically, directed to the attention of:

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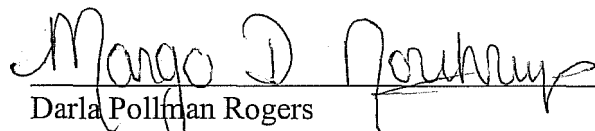
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