PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
INVESTIGATION OF PRICING) QWEST'S PETITION FOR
REGULATION FOR SWITCHED) LEAVE TO INTERVENE
ACCESS SERVICES PROVIDED BY)
COMPETITIVE LOCAL EXCHANGE)
CARRIERS) TC10-014
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Qwest Corporation and Qwest Communications Company, LLC (collectively "Qwest") timely petition the Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota ("Commission") to grant leave for Qwest to intervene in the above-styled docket, pursuant to ARSD 20.10.01.15.02. As grounds, Qwest states:

Both Qwest affiliates referenced above incur and pay costs for switched access services provided to those affiliates by CLECs in South Dakota. Qwest has a financial interest in the instant docket, as a consumer of these services.

WHEREFORE, Qwest respectfully requests the Commission grant this petition to intervene.

February 8, 2010

Respectfully Submitted.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Thomas J. Welk, hereby certify that I am a member of the law firm of Boyce, Greenfield, Pashby & Welk, L.L.P. and that on the day of February, 2009, I electronically filed *Qwest's Petition for Leave to Intervene* and emailed a true and correct copy of the foregoing to the following persons:

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