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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen **Executive Director** South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Pierre, South Dakota 57501

RE: Owest Corporation's Application for Waiver of Switched Access Cost Study

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing is Qwest Corporation's Application for Waiver of Switched Access Cost Study.

If you have questions, please call the undersigned at 303-383-6645, or the South Dakota Policy team at 605-335-4596.

Sincerely,

/s/

George Baker Thomson, Jr. Corporate Counsel