

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION
OF NATIVE AMERICAN TELECOM, LLC
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO
PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE
WITHIN THE STUDY AREA OF MIDSTATE
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.**

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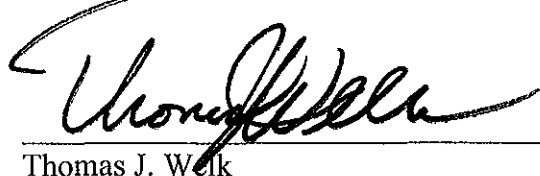
**CENTURYLINK’S RESPONSE TO SPRINT COMMUNICATION COMPANY’S
MOTION TO SUSPEND MAY 8, 2013 DUE DATE FOR INTERVENOR TESTIMONY**

Qwest Communications Company, LLC, doing business as CenturyLink QCC (hereinafter “CenturyLink”), by and through its undersigned attorneys, respectfully files this response to Sprint Communications Company, LLP’s motion to suspend May 8, 2013 due date for intervenor testimony.

CenturyLink concurs with Sprint’s observation in the filed motion that Native American Telecom, LLC (“NAT”) failed to file its supplemental testimony due on April 8, 2013 required by the order dated January 2, 2013 of the Public Utilities Commission (“the Commission”). CenturyLink desires, however, for the Commission to schedule a hearing in this matter or order NAT to withdraw its application for certificate of authority. The intervenors and others have expended substantial time, company resources and attorney fees in responding to the issues in this docket. The Commission needs to either schedule a hearing or NAT needs to withdraw its application. CenturyLink also concurs with the rescheduling of the hearing on Sprint’s motion to May 21, 2013.

Dated this 30th day of April, 2013.

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