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Via E-Filing

Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: Joint Application of TNCI Operating Company LLC and Trans National Communications International, Inc. for Authority to Complete the Transfer of the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competitive Telecommunications Services of Trans National Communications International, Inc. to TNCI Operating Company LLC

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On behalf of TNCI Operating Company LLC (“TNCI-OpCo”) and Trans National Communications International, Inc. (Debtor-in-Possession) (together, the “Applicants”), attached for filing with the Commission is the above-referenced Joint Application. A check in the amount of \$250 for the filing fee is being submitted separately via overnight delivery.

Please note that Exhibit D, “Financial Information for TNCI-OpCo,” is proprietary and confidential as it contains sensitive financial information. Unrestricted availability of this document would provide competitors with key knowledge regarding TNCI-OpCo’s finances and business that would otherwise be unavailable and could place Applicants at a significant competitive disadvantage. Confidential treatment of the information contained in Exhibit D is therefore required to avoid commercial and competitive injury. Accordingly, Exhibit D is being submitted as a separate file market CONFIDENTIAL.

An original and ten (10) copies of this letter are enclosed. Please date-stamp the enclosed extra copy and return it in the envelope provided. Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please do not hesitate to contact Brett Ferenchak at (202) 373-6697.

Respectfully submitted,



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