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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen  
Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: *Closing of the Transaction - Transferring the Stock of Consolidated  
Communications of Iowa Company*

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:


This letter is to notify the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (the “**Commission**”) of the closing of the transaction transferring all of the issued and outstanding stock of Consolidated Communications of Iowa Company, a Minnesota corporation f/k/a Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa (“**Consolidated ILEC**”) from Consolidated Communications, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“**Consolidated Parent**”) to Mutual Telephone Company of Sioux Center, Iowa, an Iowa business corporation d/b/a Premier Communications (“**Mutual**”). The transaction closed effective as of August 31, 2016.

Attached hereto as Exhibit A please find the filing from the South Dakota Secretary of State changing Consolidated ILEC’s name to “Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa.” Further, attached hereto as Exhibit B, please find confirmation of Consolidated ILEC’s assumed name filing whereby it may also conduct business under the name “Premier Communications.”

If you have any questions regarding this transaction, or require any clarification or further information, please feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience at (605) 335-4950.

Sincerely,

CUTLER LAW FIRM, LLP



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For the Firm

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# State of South Dakota



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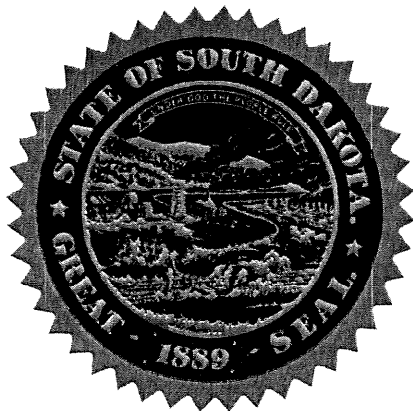
## Amended Certificate of Authority Foreign Business

ORGANIZATIONAL ID# FB019769

**I, Shantel Krebs**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Amended Certificate of Authority of

'Consolidated Communications of Iowa Company', changing its name to 'Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa' duly signed and verified, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

**ACCORDINGLY**, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Amended Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the Amended Certificate of Authority.



**IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this 09/09/2016.

*Shantel Krebs*

**Shantel Krebs**  
Secretary of State

9/9/2016 11:02:08 AM  
Change ID: 1368070

Secretary of State Office  
500 E Capitol Ave  
Pierre, SD 57501  
(605)773-4845

# APPLICATION FOR AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FOREIGN BUSINESS CORPORATION

Please Type or Print Clearly in Ink

Please submit one Original and one Photocopy

**FILING FEE: \$250** payable to SECRETARY OF STATE

RECEIVED

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S.D. SEC. OF STATE

Filed this 9<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 2016  
*Shantel Krebs*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_

FAX # \_\_\_\_\_

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS:** A foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this state must obtain an amended certificate of authority if it changes 1) Its corporate name; 2) The period of its duration; or 3) The state or country of its incorporation. This application must include an original CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE, or a document of similar import, duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other official having custody of the corporate records in the state or country under whose law it is incorporated.

1. The name of the corporation is Consolidated Communications of Iowa Company

Note: This must be the exact corporate name.

2. The amended corporation name is Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa

Note: The name must include the term corporation, incorporated, company, limited or the applicable abbreviation.

3. State where incorporated Minnesota

4. Date of its incorporation is July 10, 1995

5. The period of its duration Perpetual

6. The address of its principal office (this is the address of the executive offices of the corporation),

339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 51250
Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
PO Box 200	Sioux Center	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 51250-0200
Mailing Address (Optional)	City	State	ZIP+4

7. Please complete only if there is a change to any of the registered agent information.

The South Dakota Registered Agent name C T Corporation System

319 South Coteau Street	Pierre	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 57501
Street Address or Rural Route Box Number in This State and	City	State	ZIP+4
Mailing Address in This State, if Different from Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4

When listing a Commercial Registered Agent, please state their CRA #.  
This number can be obtained from the Commercial Registered Agent.

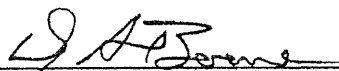
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8. The names and business addresses of its principal officers and directors. Please place a check mark next to the name if the principal officer serves as a director.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Howard Beernink	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	President	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	David Krahling	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Vice President	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Glen Vermeer	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Secretary	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	James K. Mouw	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Treasurer	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Owen Dykshorn	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Director	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input type="checkbox"/>	John Koerselman	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Director	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ted Hengeveld	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Director	Street Address	City	State	ZIP+4
	Mike McAlpine, Director	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Chad Feenstra	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250
	Douglas Boone, CEO	339 1st Ave NE	Sioux Center	IA	51250

The application must be signed by an authorized officer of the corporation.

Dated 9/1/2016

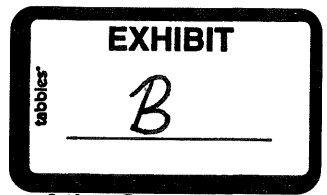
  
 (Signature of an authorized officer)

Douglas Boone  
 (Printed Name)

CEO  
 (Title)

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**By signing this form, you agree to have both the fee and the form processed electronically. A fee of up to \$40 will be assessed for returned payments.**



**Fictitious Business Name Registration Receipt from the Central Filing System of the Secretary of State's Office.**

The described business hereby certifies that they will engage in, conduct, or operate a business under the fictitious name of:

**Premier Communications**

<b>Owner Name</b>	<b>Residence Address</b>	<b>Post Office Address</b>
Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa	339 1st Ave NE Sioux Center Iowa 51250	PO Box 200 Sioux Center Iowa 51250-0200

That the address where the main office of such business is to be maintained is:  
339 1st Ave NE Sioux Center Iowa 51250

Receipt Number: 455110  
 Original Registration Date: 9/16/2016  
 Filed By: Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa  
 Amount Paid: \$10.00

**Amendment:** An amendment should be filed when some substantive item about the business changes such as change in ownership, business name change, address change, etc. When an amendment is done it automatically renews the business registration information and extends the expiration date by making it 5 years from the amendment date.

**Renewal:** A renewal needs to be filed every 5 years if no amendments are made to the business.