Docket Number: TC16-067

Subject Matter: Staff's Data Request 1

Request to: Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. (Consolidated or CCES)

Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff

Date of Request: 12/23/16 Responses Due: 1/6/17

1.1. Does Consolidated utilize a third party billing system when billing and collecting charges from customers?

RESPONSE: Consolidated uses the third-party billing services of NorthFlow Solutions, Inc. Consolidated performs its own collection services.

1.2. Does Consolidated serve or intend to serve any residential customers with their service offerings? Provide any residential/business service brochures and materials used for sales of its services.

RESPONSE: At the present time, CCES has no intentions of marketing services to residential customers. Information about voice services available through CCES' network is available online at https://www.consolidated.com/business/voice

1.3. Provide Audited versions of Consolidated's financial statements where available. Include the balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement.

<u>RESPONSE</u>: As stated in the Applicants, CCES does not maintain financial statements separate from the consolidated financial statements of its ultimate parent, Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. ("CCHI"). The audited consolidated financial statements of CCHI were provided as Exhibit C to the Applications. However, attached is a PROPRIETARY 2015 Income Statement for CCES.

1.4. Does Consolidated believe Commission approval is needed to assign the interconnection agreement between CenturyLink and Enventis Telecom, Inc, to CCES?

RESPONSE: No, Consolidated does not believe Commission approval is needed to assign the interconnection agreement between Qwest Corporation and Enventis Telecom, Inc. (Agreement Number CDS-091222-0003). First, the Agreement is not being amended in any way. Second, Section 5.12.1 of the Agreement states that "either Party may assign or transfer this Agreement to a corporate Affiliate or an entity under its common control; without the consent of the other Party, provided that the performance of this Agreement by any such assignee is guaranteed by the assignor." CCES and Enventis are affiliates and CCES will guarantee its performance under the Agreement (Enventis will be part of CCES upon completion of the pro forma merger). Therefore, Consolidated does not believe there is anything for the Commission to approve with respect to the assignment of the interconnection agreement.