

March 18, 2019

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

Re: In the Matter of the Filing by Owest Corporation dba CenturyLink for

Approval of Waiver of the Utilization Threshold Requirements in Sioux Falls,

South Dakota

Docket No. TC17-006

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

CenturyLink requested a waiver of the normal procedures for a new code to be opened in the 605 area code in the Sioux Falls rate center in the above-referenced docket. The Commission granted the waiver and requested that a utilization update report be filed for this code in 2019.

The entire 605-404 code was assigned to a single healthcare provider in 2017. That customer has utilized this code since it was assigned to it and continues to utilize the entire 605-404 code for its communication needs. Over the last two years, CenturyLink's utilization of other codes in the Sioux Falls rate center has consistently been in the 68%-72% range.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and accurate copy of the attached letter was delivered via e-mail on this 18th day of March, 2019, to the following parties:

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