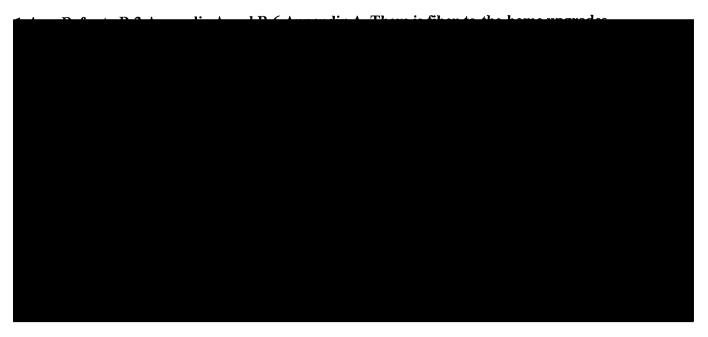
BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF	
GOLDEN WEST TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
COOPERATIVE, INC., STUDY AREA	CONFIDENTIAL RESPONSES
CODES: ARMOUR – 391640, GOLDEN WEST	TO STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS
TELECOM – 391659, KADOKA -391667,	(FIRST SET)
SIOUX VALLEY – 391677, UNION- 391684)
AND VIVIAN – 391686 FOR CERTIFICATION	TC17-026
REGARDING ITS USE OF FEDERAL)
UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT)

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative ("Golden West"), by and through its attorney, responds to Staff's Data Requests (First Set) as follows:

1-3. Confirm that all new customers received Lifeline information within 30 days of receiving service.

<u>Response:</u> Yes, all new customers are sent a new customer packet that includes information on the Lifeline program. These packets are generally sent within a week of service connection.



Dated this 13 day of July, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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