BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF (CONFIDENTIAL RESPONSES RT COMMUNICATIONS, INC. STUDY AREA: (STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS TO STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS (FIRST SET) ITS USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL (STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS (FIRST SET) SERVICE SUPPORT (CONFIDENTIAL RESPONSES TO STAFF'S DATA REQUESTS (FIRST SET) (FIRST SET)	
RT Communications, Inc. ("RT" or the "Company"), by and through its attorney, responds to Staff's Data Requests (First Set) as follows:	
1.1.	What geographic area was affected by the outage reported on November 1, 2016? Were any South Dakota customers affected by the reported outage?
	Response: The outage occurred in Worland, WY and did not affect any South Dakota customers.
1.2	Provide a Lifeline Application that would be provided to customers seeking to apply for the program.
	Response: Please see the enclosed application (Attachment A).
1.4	In what newspapers or general distribution media did RT Communications advertise Lifeline assistance information?
	Response: Lifeline ads were placed by RT in Northern Wyoming Daily News, Pine Bluffs Post, Thermopolis Independent Record, Newsletter Journal, The Moorcroft Leader, The Wyoming Pioneer, Weston County Gazette, and Kaycee Community Voice.



Dated this _2_day of August, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and correct copy of Confidential Responses to Staff's Data Requests (First Set) was sent by electronic notice to the following:

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