

June 27, 2017

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capital Building – 1st Floor
500 East Capital Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Re: Section 54.313 and 54.422 Annual Reports for 2016

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached is the confidential version of the annual report by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC (CTC-MN), filed with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on June 22, 2017, in compliance with 47 CFR § 54.313 and CFR 47 § 54.422. Section 54.313 applies to an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) receiving high-cost federal USF support. Section 54.422 applies to ETCs receiving low-income support. Both sections require the ETC to file the annual report with the FCC, the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and its relevant state commission.

A portion of CTC-MN's Jasper, Minnesota exchange extends into South Dakota and serves 45 access lines in South Dakota.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (952) 491-5534, or by email at Scott.Bohler@ftr.com.

Sincerely,

Scott Bohler

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