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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen SD Public Utilities Commission 500 E. Capitol Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

Re: In the Matter of the Request of Venture Communications Cooperative for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal Universal Service Support for Study Area 391680 (Venture) and 391688 (Western)

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached for electronic filing, please find Venture Communications Cooperative's Annual ETC Certification Filing with Confidential Exhibit A-1, Confidential Exhibit A-2, Confidential Exhibit B-1, Confidential Exhibit B-2, Confidential Exhibit B-3, Confidential Exhibit B-4, Exhibit B-5, Exhibit B-6, Exhibit C and its Lifeline/Link Up Annual Report for Study Area 391680 (Venture) and 391688 (Western), in the above matter.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

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By:

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cc: Venture Communications Cooperative (letter only)

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