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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501 <u>patty.vangerpen@state.sd.us</u>

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RE: Docket TC17-063 - In the Matter of the Petition for Declaratory Ruling by the Department of Public Safety/911 Coordination Board – FILING OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for inclusion in the above referenced docket please find an UNREDACTED Confidential version of the electronic original of the "Appendix A" filed with the "Reply of NextGen Communications, Inc." ("Reply") earlier today in the above referenced docket.

NextGen Communications, Inc. ("NextGen") is seeking confidential treatment of portions of the information contained in Appendix A pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:39. / 20:10:01:41, for 2 years from the date of filing.

NextGen is concerned that portions of the data listed in Appendix A of NextGen's Reply represent information that is not in the public domain and would be considered confidential information of the South Dakota State 911 Coordination Board and/or the Department of Public Safety pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:39(5), and/or a trade secret or confidential research, development, or commercial information pursuant to SDCL 15-6-26(c)(7) as referenced in ARSD 20:10:01:39(4).

A copy of NextGen's Reply and REDACTED version of the Appendix A has been sent to the Commission's <u>pucdocketfilings@state.sd.us</u> mailbox, and per the Certificate of Service, has been delivered to the other Parties to the Docket.

NextGen will provide a non-disclosure agreement to the other Parties soon, and upon execution, will provide an unredacted copy of Appendix A to the Party. Lack of the confidential information does not prevent a Party from understanding and/or responding to any of NextGen's arguments or positions, for from pursuing their rights before the Commission.

Thank you for your attention. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

<u>/S/ Kim Robert Scovill</u> Kim Robert Scovill, Esq.