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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capitol Building, 1st Floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: In the Matter of the Complaint of Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. and West River Cooperative Telephone Company Against MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services, Docket No. TC18-002

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

The parties to this proceeding have agreed to a three-week extension of the deadline for defendant MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services (“Verizon”) to answer the Complaint plaintiffs Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (“ITC”) and West River Cooperative Telephone Company (“West River”) filed on January 16, 2018, and served on Verizon on January 17, 2018.

The parties have initiated settlement discussions. A three-week extension—until March 9, 2018—will allow the parties to focus their efforts on resolving this matter amicably.

Counsel for ITC and West River consented to this extension on February 12, 2018.

If you would like to discuss this matter please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Copies (by email): Amanda Reiss, Staff Attorney, Public Utilities Commission
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