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Via Web Filing

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

**RE: Talk America Services, LLC
Amendment to Notice of Discontinuance and Withdrawal of Local and Interexchange
Certificate of Authority – TC 108**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Please accept the original of this filing, submitted on behalf of Talk America Services, LLC, ("Talk America Services" or "Company") to amend the Notice of Discontinuance and Withdrawal of Local and Interexchange Certificate of Authority that was filed on July 15, 2019.

As indicated in the original filing, Talk America Services intends to discontinue service to its existing residential customer base in South Dakota on or after September 15, 2019, pending applicable regulatory approvals. Talk America had also requested that the Commission cancel its Certificate of Authority ("COA") to upon its discontinuance of services to customers.

The Company wishes to amend its original filing by withdrawing the request to cancel its COA. Although the Company must discontinue service to its existing customer base, due to the impending termination of services available from its underlying wholesale provider, **it wishes to retain its local and long distance operating authority** following the discontinuance of service to its existing customers so that it can pursue other future opportunities to provide competitive services to South Dakota customers under its existing authority. Therefore, Talk America Services, LLC respectfully requests that the Commission accept this amendment to its Notice of Discontinuance and Withdrawal of Local and Interexchange Certificate of Authority, by authorizing the requested discontinuance of service to the Company's existing customer base and allowing the Company to **retain** its Certificate of Authority to provide Local Exchange and Interexchange Services issued in TC14-082.

Please acknowledge receipt of this filing by date-stamping the extra copy of this cover letter and returning it to me in the self-addressed, stamped envelope provided for that purpose.

Sincerely,

/s/ Sharon Thomas

Sharon Thomas
Consultant

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