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June 26, 2023

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Compliance Reporting for Annual Designation of Common Carriers as ETCs to Receive Federal Universal Service Support

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On behalf of the City of Brookings Municipal Telephone Department (the Company), enclosed is a copy of a certification filed at the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on June 26, 2023 as part of the Company's annual interstate access tariff filing. This certification is being filed in compliance with 47 C.F.R. §51.917(d)(vii) Eligible Recovery for Rate-of-Return Carriers, which states, "...A Rate-of-Return Carrier seeking revenue recovery must annually certify as part of its tariff filings to the Commission and to the relevant state commission that the carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism."

Schedules showing the Company's projected eligibility to receive CAF ICC funding during the upcoming year are being filed under seal, as confidential information, in compliance with 47. C.F.R. §54.304(d)(1) – Administration of Connect America Fund Intercarrier Compensation Replacement which states, "A rate-of-return carrier seeking CAF ICC support shall file data with the Administrator, the Commission, and the relevant state commissions ...establishing the rate-of-return carrier's projected eligibility for CAF ICC funding during the upcoming funding period pursuant to § 51.97 of this chapter...."

Certifications as to the Company's eligibility to receive CAF ICC support and to the accuracy of the CAF ICC data reported are also attached.

Please contact me at 605-692-6325 if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

Steve Meyer

Executive VP/ General Manager

## **ATTACHMENT A**

## TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

## Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Not Seeking Duplicative Recovery

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, this reporting carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism as per 51.917(d)(vii).

Name of Reporting Carrier City of B	gookings Municipa	al Telephone Department		
Signature of authorized officer & Dece Merger			Date	June 5, 2023
Printed name of authorized officer Ste	eve Meyer	0		
Title or position of authorized officer	xecutive Vice Pre	sident / General Manager		
Telephone number of authorized officer:	(605) 692-6325			
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier	391650	Filing Due Date for this form (mm/dd/yyyy)	06/16/2023	