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Pam Bonrud, Executive Director
SD Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS (NVC) INTRASTATE SWITCHED
ACCESS REVISED TARIFF PAGES

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

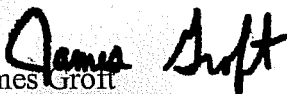
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If you have any questions, please contact me at (605) 725-1000 or Wendy Harper of Vantage Point Solutions at (605) 995-1756.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

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Delaine Kolbo within five business days of this report. Phone: 605-773-3201

CONSUMER COMPLAINTS

CN04-001 **In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Dan Larson, Meckling, South Dakota, against MidAmerican Energy Company Regarding Improper Disconnection and Requirement to Replace Furnace.**

Complainant alleges that MidAmerican Energy was negligent by not taking a carbon monoxide reading before turning the gas off to his house and red-tagging his furnace. Complainant is requesting that MidAmerican reimburse him for the cost of a new furnace, labor, and two electric heaters.

Staff Analyst: Jim Mehlhaff
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/07/04

ELECTRIC

EL04-024 **In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Addendum to Agreement Regarding Assigned Service Area between Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc. and the City Of Watertown, South Dakota.**

On July 6, 2004, Codington-Clark Electric Cooperative, Inc. (Codington-Clark Electric) and the City of Watertown (City) filed a Petition for Approval of Addendum to Agreement Regarding Assigned Service Area. On August 5, 1998, the Commission approved an Agreement between Codington-Clark Electric and the City regarding their assigned service area. The Agreement was for a three year term, which expired on July 23, 2001. The parties entered into an Addendum to that Agreement for the purpose of renewing the Agreement until July 23, 2004. This filing is for approval of a new Addendum to Agreement Regarding Assigned Service Area providing for the extension of the Agreement to July, 23, 2007.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Filed: 07/06/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC04-120 **In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.**

On July 1, 2004, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Wall, South Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer

Date Docketed: 07/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-121 In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for Vivian Telephone Company.

On July 1, 2004, Vivian Telephone Company, Wall, South Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-122 In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for Sioux Valley Telephone Company.

On July 1, 2004, Sioux Valley Telephone Company, Dell Rapids, South Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-123 In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company.

On July 1, 2004, Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone Company, Hartford, South Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-124 In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for Union Telephone Company.

On July 1, 2004, Union Telephone Company, Hartford, South Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/01/04

Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-125 In the Matter of the Establishment of Switched Access Revenue Requirement for West River Telecommunications Cooperative.

On July 1, 2004, West River Telecommunications Cooperative, Hazen, North Dakota, filed a switched access cost study developing a revenue requirement and minutes of use that are included in the revenue requirement and minutes of use used to determine the switched access rates for the Local Exchange Carriers Association. In accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:10, West River Telecommunications Cooperative requests that the Commission allow the use of GVNW's cost study model as opposed to the Commission model for determining West River Telecommunications Cooperative's revenue requirement.

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/01/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-126 In the Matter of the Filing by Midstate Telecom, Inc. for Approval of Revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff.

On July 2, 2004, Midstate Telecom, Inc. (MTI) submitted, for approval, revised pages to MTI's Switched Access Tariff No. 1. MTI's revised tariff rates are based on a statewide average in accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:12. MTI was granted exemption from developing intrastate switched access rates based on company specific costs in Docket TC02-032.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Filed: 07/02/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-127 In the Matter of the Filing by Northern Valley Communications, LLC for Approval of Revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff.

On July 2, 2004, Northern Valley Communications (NVC) submitted, for approval, revised pages to NVC's Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1. NVC's revised tariff rates are based on a statewide average in accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:12. NVC was granted exemption from developing intrastate switched access rates based on company specific costs in Docket TC02-170.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Filed: 07/02/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

TC04-128 In the Matter of the Filing by Qwest Corporation for Approval of Revisions to its Access Service Tariff

On July 6, 2004, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed a revision to its Access Service Tariff. "These revisions establish a simple easy to understand Expedite Order Charge that will apply when a customer requests a service date that is prior to the standard interval service date or when a customer requests an earlier service date on a pending standard or negotiated interval order. Qwest requests this filing to be effective July 31, 2004."

Staff Analyst: Harlan Best
Staff Attorney: Karen E. Cremer
Date Docketed: 07/06/04
Intervention Deadline: 07/23/04

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INTRASTATE SWITCHED ACCESS REVISED TARIFF PAGES

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

Enclosed please find an amendment to the original filing in the above docket. This amendment is the result of the LECA filing in Docket TC04-119, which changed the South Dakota average access rate that NVC was adopting in the original filing. With the LECA rate change, NVC herein resubmits revised tariff pages to adopt the new statewide average.

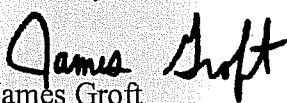
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**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA**

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
NORTHERN VALLEY COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)
FOR APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ITS) TC04-127
INTRASTATE SWITCHED ACCESS TARIFF)

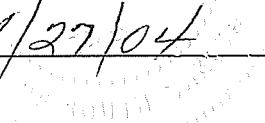
On July 2, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Northern Valley Communications, LLC (Northern Valley) for approval of revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1. Northern Valley states that its revised tariff rates are based on a statewide average in accordance with ARSD 20:10:27:12. These rates are an interim rate based on the statewide average of the cost companies developed in Docket TC04-119.

On July 8, 2004, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 23, 2004, to interested individuals and entities. No comments or petitions to intervene were filed.

On August 17, 2004, the Commission considered Northern Valley's request for approval of revisions to its Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1. Commission Staff recommended approval of the revised tariff rate subject to refund, with interest, should the final rate be lower than the interim rate. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:27:12. The Commission voted to approve the revisions to Northern Valley's Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1 subject to refund, with interest, should the final rate be lower than the interim rate. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Northern Valley's revised Intrastate Switched Access Tariff No. 1 is approved subject to refund, with interest, should the final rate be lower than the interim rate.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 26th day of August, 2004.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE
The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u>William Koller</u>
Date: <u>8/27/04</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner