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

RE: Supplemental Filing In the Matter of the Request of PrairieWave Black Hills LLC
for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Docket No. TC06-129

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On behalf of PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC enclosed for electronic filing is a
Supplemental Filing to the Request for Certification Regarding Its Use of Federal
Universal Service Support submitted for Commission approval. The original signed copy
will be sent via UPS overnight mail.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dawn Haase".

Dawn Haase
Legal Assistant

Enclosures

**BEFORE THE
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF)	
PRAIRIEWAVE BLACK HILLS, LLC)	
FOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING ITS)	TC06-129
USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL)	
SERVICE SUPPORT.)	

SUPPLEMENTAL FILING

PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC (the “Company”), by and through its attorney, makes this supplemental filing requesting certification from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (the “Commission”) as is required under 47 C.F.R. § 54.314 and to comply with the Commission’s new rules pertaining to ETCs, including the provisions of ARSD §§ 20:10:32:52, 20:10:32:53 and 20:10:32:54. In addition to the original filing, the Company offers the following supplemental information:

1. The provisions of ARSD § 20:10:32:54 addressing the annual “Certification requirements” set forth by this Commission indicate in part that the ETC must show “how much universal service support was received.” Accordingly, attached is a revised Exhibit A with the Estimated Year 2007 Federal Universal Service Receipts itemized by support category added.

2. Under ARSD 20:10:32:43:04, 20:10:33:31, 20:10:34:09 and 20:10:34:10 PrairieWave protects consumers by complying with all federal and state consumer protection laws and regulations and those consumer protections enumerated in ARSD 20:10:34. A subscriber’s bill contains a clear, concise description of all services billed, PrairieWave’s name and a toll free number where the subscriber can call with billing questions. PrairieWave changes rates, terms or conditions of service only after notifying customers of any such change in writing on the bill, a bill insert or a separate letter to each customer.

Under ARSD 20:10:33, PrairieWave provides service using modern digital switching and fiber optic, coaxial, and copper facilities to provide modern voice and data services. The network has emergency back-up power as prescribed by commission rule and is monitored 24 hour a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year to ensure timely response to any system degradation or service outage. PrairieWave fully complies with all requirements for access to emergency service to include 911 and E911. PrairieWave is also fully compliant with all requirements for access to its network by law enforcement and homeland security agencies and with the requirements of CALEA. The network is configured as a SONET ring to that any system failure can be rerouted diversely to minimize the impact of any facility problem or outage. In a number of cases the system contains redundant cable facilities and redundant environmental and fire suppression capabilities to further ensure service availability at all times.

3. A revised Exhibit B and revised Exhibit C is attached indicating what the acronyms OSP/ISP stand for in the column with the heading Description of Capital Improvement.

4. Under ARSD 20:10:32:54(7), PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC certifies that it is offering a local usage plan comparable to that offered by the incumbent LEC in the ETC exchanges. PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC provides a local usage plan that is not only equal to but better than what the incumbent LEC offers.

5. Under ARSD 20:10:32:43.05, PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC offers a local usage plan that is superior to that of the LEC since PrairieWave customers have an expanded local calling area including the EAS areas served by the incumbent and the entire local calling area of PrairieWave which includes Rapid City and all of the Northern Hills. We also offer more features than the incumbent LEC at a very competitive price.

Dated this 22nd day of August 2006.

Respectfully submitted,



William P. Heaston
General Counsel

REVISED EXHIBIT A
PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC

Year 2005 Federal Universal Service Receipts:

High Cost Model Support	\$ 162,210
Interstate Access Support	\$ 12,599
Safety Net Additive support	\$
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ 174,809

Year 2007 Estimated Universal Service Receipts:

High Cost Model Support	\$ 165,000
Interstate Access Support	\$ 15,000
Safety Net Additive support	\$
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$ _____
TOTAL	\$ 180,000

Expenditures For Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading Of Facilities and Services Supported By Federal Universal Service Funding:

Plant Specific Operations Expenses:

CETC	Actual 2005	Estimated 2006	Estimated 2007	Estimated 2008
Sturgis	\$1,129,260	\$1,747,268	\$1,333,258	\$1,257,272
Spearfish	\$1,584,939	\$2,452,325	\$1,871,254	\$1,764,606
Lead	\$ 413,802	\$ 640,262	\$ 488,554	\$ 460,710
Belle Fourche	\$ 730,719	\$1,130,617	\$ 862,721	\$ 813,552
Deadwood	\$ 358,084	\$ 554,052	\$ 422,771	\$ 398,676
Black Hawk	\$ 474,133	\$ 733,611	\$ 559,784	\$ 527,880
Whitewood	\$ 140,182	\$ 216,898	\$ 165,505	\$ 156,072

REVISED EXHIBIT B – ACTUAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND ESTIMATED 2006
 ARSD 20:10:32:43.02

As part of its ongoing plan to upgrade and enhance its network, the Company anticipates the following capital expenditures over the next two years for OSP (Outside Plant)/ISP (Inside Plant). The Company believes that its planned capital additions will improve the reliability of switched calls for its customers, assure CALEA compliance and increase the Company's network capacity to serve remote customers. The upgraded facilities will also be more cost-effective for the Company to maintain. Any federal high-cost universal service support the Company receives will help defray the following estimated costs for plant improvements and upgrades.

Provide data for each wire center in the Company's service area where switching, exchange transmission equipment or cable and wire upgrades are planned.

Wire Center	Description of Capital Improvement	Estimated Population Served by Improvement	Start Date	Completion Date	Capital Expenditure 2005	Estimated Capital Expenditure 2006
STURGIS	OSP/ISP	6,442	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31, 05/06	\$250,812	\$145,802
SPEARFISH	OSP/ISP	8,606	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31, 05/06	\$248,438	\$210,150
LEAD	OSP/ISP	3,027	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31, 05/06	\$ 13,426	\$ 61,008
BELLE FOURCHE	OSP/ISP	4,565	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31, 05/06	\$ 13,121	\$106,294
DEADWOOD	OSP/ISP	1,380	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31, 05/06	\$ 23,446	\$ 46,487
BLACK HAWK	OSP/ISP	2,432	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31,05/06	\$116,339	\$ 92,149
WHITEWOOD	OSP/ISP	844	Jan 1, 05/06	Dec 31,05/06	\$ 29,796	\$ 27,277
TOTAL						\$689,167

Capital improvements are planned in all wire centers.

REVISED EXHIBIT C – TWO-YEAR PLAN

ARSD 20:10:32:43.02

As part of its ongoing plan to upgrade and enhance its network, the Company anticipates the following capital expenditures over the next two years for OSP (Outside Plant)/ISP (Inside Plant). The Company believes that its planned capital additions will improve the reliability of switched calls for its customers, assure CALEA compliance and increase the Company's network capacity to serve remote customers. The upgraded facilities will also be more cost-effective for the Company to maintain. Any federal high-cost universal service support the Company receives will help defray the following estimated costs for plant improvements and upgrades.

Provide data for each wire center in the Company's service area where switching, exchange transmission equipment or cable and wire upgrades are planned.

Wire Center	Description of Capital Improvement	Estimated Population Served by Improvement	Start Date	Completion Date	Estimated Capital Expenditures Each Year	
					2007	2008
STURGIS	OSP/ISP	6,442	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$147,552	\$149,323
SPEARFISH	OSP/ISP	8,606	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$212,672	\$215,223
LEAD	OSP/ISP	3,027	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$ 61,740	\$ 62,481
BELLE FOURCHE	OSP/ISP	4,565	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$107,570	\$108,861
DEADWOOD	OSP/ISP	1,380	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$ 47,045	\$ 47,609
BLACK HAWK	OSP/ISP	2,432	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$ 93,255	\$ 94,373
WHITEWOOD	OSP/ISP	844	Jan 1, 07/08	Dec 31, 07/08	\$ 27,604	\$ 27,935
TOTAL					\$697,438	\$705,805

Capital improvements are planned in all wire centers.