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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
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RE: Docket No. TC 06-142
Supplemental Filing of Heartland Telecommunication Company of Iowa dba HickoryTech

Dear Ms. Gerpen:

Please find enclosed herein for electronic filing supplemental information as requested the Commission in their meeting on September 12, 2006 to the Annual ETC Certification Filing submitted pursuant to ARSD §§ 20:10:32:52 *et seq.*, of Heartland Telecommunications Company of Iowa dba HickoryTech ("Heartland"). Specifically, Heartland is estimating network improvement amounts for 2008.

Heartland hereby requests continued confidential treatment of Exhibit A and Exhibit B, which were originally submitted as confidential pursuant to the requirements of ARSD § 20:10:01:41. These Exhibits have been amended with this supplemental filing and contain company-specific financial data and strategy, disclosure of which could jeopardize Heartland's competitive position. Heartland requests that such information be held as confidential by the Commission in perpetuity.

If you should have any questions regarding the enclosed filing, please contact the undersigned at the phone number provided.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Carrie Rice'.

Carrie Rice
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