

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
OFFICE OF HEARING EXAMINERS

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)
VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS COOP-)
ERATIVE FOR THE ARBITRATION)
PURSUANT TO TELECOMMUNI-) DOCKET NO. TC06-159
CATIONS ACT OF 1996 TO RESOLVE)
ISSUES RELATING TO AN INTER-)
CONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH)
ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS INC.)

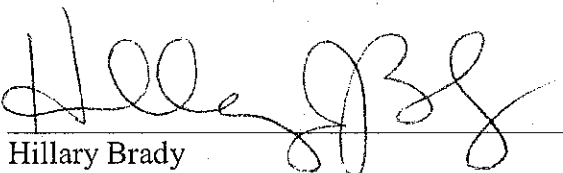
ORDER TRANSFERRING DOCKET BACK TO SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION FOR FURTHER ACTION

On September 14, 2006, Venture Communications Cooperative ("Venture") filed a petition for arbitration of certain unresolved terms and conditions of a proposed Interconnection Agreement with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") (Docket TC06-159). On October 27, 2006, Alltel Communications, LLC, formerly known as Alltel Communications, Inc. ("Alltel") filed a Request to Use the Office of Hearing Examiners ("OHE"), and by Order dated November 17, 2006, the Commission granted Alltel's request.

On September 13, 2011 Venture and Alltel filed a Joint Motion and Stipulation to Transfer the matter back to the Commission so the Commission may enter an Order dismissing all claims with prejudice. Having reviewed the Joint Motion and Stipulation, it is hereby

ORDERED that this matter be transferred back to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for further action.

Dated this 25th day of September, 2011.


Hillary Brady
Office of Hearing Examiners