

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	TC06-188
APPLICATION OF MCC TELEPHONY	)	
OF THE MIDWEST, INC., D/B/A	)	
MEDIACOM FOR A CERTIFICATE	)	
OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE	)	
LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE IN	)	
THE BROOKINGS EXCHANGE	)	

**DIRECT TESTIMONY OF ROD CUNDY**

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**Q. Please state your name, title and business address for the record.**

A. My name is Rodney Cundy, and my current title is Director of Technical Operations, West Iowa Region (Mediacom). Prior to this I was the Technical Operations Manager, Brookings SD until May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008. My business address is 2205 Ingersoll Ave, Des Moines IA 50312; my telephone number is (515) 246-2213.

**Q. What are your job responsibilities?**

A. While in the role of Technical Operations Manager in Brookings SD, I was responsible for overseeing the day-to-day operations of the Technical Department. This involved insuring the cable plant was in compliance with all CLI, FCC, and OSHA performance standards. Other areas of responsibility were troubleshooting and insuring repair of the system, making necessary system adjustments and responding to customer inquiries.

I was also responsible for hiring, training, evaluating, and supervising the technical staff.

**Q. What is your background in the telecommunications business?**

I have 19 years of experience in the cable television industry. I joined Mediacom in November 2000 as Technical Operations Manager, Brookings SD. I was promoted to Director of Technical Operations in May 2008. Prior to joining Mediacom, I worked for Satellite Cable/Brookings Cable Vision as an Install Technician/Construction Supervisor before being bought out by Mediacom in 2000.

**Q. What is the purpose of your testimony?**

A. The purpose of the testimony is to describe the operations of MCC and to discuss the proposed expansion of our certificated authority to include those areas served by Swiftel. By so doing, I will demonstrate that MCC has the technical and managerial capability to provide facilities-based local and long distance Internet protocol voice services in the Swiftel service territory in the State of South Dakota.

**Q. Please briefly describe your company's operations in Brookings, South Dakota.**

A. Mediacom, the parent of MCC Telephony has an office in Brookings, SD. Mediacom has been in continuous operation in Brookings since 1999 and prior to that operated as Zylstra (which Mediacom purchased in 1999).

Mediacom offers basic video, enhanced video and broadband service in the area of Brookings, SD. Mediacom has deployed and continues to manage, operate and maintain a robust cable communications system in Brookings, SD.

**Q. Please briefly describe the network Mediacom deploys in Brookings, SD.**

A. Mediacom's network is a sophisticated hybrid fiber optic coaxial system (HFC) that enables the deployment of advanced services such as high-speed internet, high definition video and IP-enabled voice services. As state of the art facilities, we expect the network to be able to support other advanced and enhanced services as they are developed and become available.

**Q. Please briefly describe your customer distribution in Brookings.**

A. Mediacom passes 8,943 homes in Brookings, SD. We provide basic and enhanced video products as well as broadband internet services to a high percentage of these homes. A large number of our video subscribers also purchase optional enhanced services such as high definition video. We are proud of our relationship with our customers in Brookings and particularly so of our high subscribership to our data services which is in line with national efforts to make broadband services both available and accessible for as many Americans as possible.

**Q. Why do you believe that it is important for MCC to be able to offer voice services in the area of Brookings?**

A. Our Brookings customers should certainly have the opportunities to take advantage of the savings and convenience available to our other South Dakota customers. We know that the Triple-Play bundle of services offers the greatest value and convenience to customers and it has been our Company's policy to seek to offer these services wherever technically feasible. I feel that striving to present our customers with the widest possible field of options is a commitment we make to our subscribers. Most importantly, during my time as the Technical Operations Manager in Brookings, I have on many occasions heard customers specifically asking for the Triple-Play product or wanting to know when voice services would be available from Mediacom. It is my understanding that there is demand for and interest in these services. Mediacom and its subsidiary MCC are anxious to respond to our customers' demand.

**Q. Does this conclude your testimony?**

A. Yes it does.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2008.

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ROD CUNDY