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**VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL**

Karen E. Cremer, Staff Attorney  
Public Utilities Commission  
Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

Dear Ms. Cremer:

In response to your question of Friday, October 6, of course, RC Services wants certification of support sent to the FCC and to USAC. In regards to the certification of the use of federal universal service funding, RC Services stated in its Two-Year Plan that was part of the package sent in response to Data Request 1 in this matter that "[a]ny federal high-cost universal service support the Company receives will help defray the . . . costs for plant improvements and upgrades." The plant improvements and upgrades referenced in RC Services' statement were detailed in the Company's Two-Year Plan. There was, however, no formal certification included; therefore, please find attached herein such formal certification.

Sincerely,

*Pamela Harrington*

Pamela Harrington  
General Manager and Chief Executive Officer

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**CERTIFICATION**

RC Services will use any high cost federal universal service funds received by it only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as amended.

Certified by: *Pamela Harrington*  
Pamela Harrington, CEO

Date: 10-12-06