

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

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST)	
CORPORATION'S REQUEST OF THE)	TC 09-
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES)	
COMMISSION FOR 2009 ETC)	REQUEST FOR
CERTIFICATION TO THE FEDERAL)	CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION FOR)	OF INFORMATION
2007 FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE)	
<u>SUPPORT PURSUANT TO § 20:10:32:52</u>)	

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41, Qwest Corporation ("Qwest") requests confidential treatment of information as follows:

1. Qwest requests confidential protection and treatment of Attachments B, C, and D to its 2009 Annual Certification which contain competitively sensitive information. The attachments are marked as "Confidential."
2. The documents must be protected for the life of this docket. When the docket is closed all protected information must be returned to Qwest.
3. The person to be notified is Reed Peterson, Qwest Corporation, 20 East Thomas Road, 16th Floor, Phoenix, AZ 85012-0000, telephone (602) 630-8221.
4. The claim for protection is based on ARSD 20:10:01:39 (4) and SDCL 37-29-1 (4).
5. The document contains proprietary business information. Disclosure of this document will provide actual and potential competitors with information which could provide them with a unique and unfair competitive advantage. Accordingly, Qwest

respectfully requests that the Commission grant this request for confidential protection and treatment.

Dated this 1st day of June, 2009.

QWEST CORPORATION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "George B. Thomson", is written over a horizontal line.

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