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E-FILING Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Capitol Building, 1st Floor 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

RE: In the Matter of the Application of Native American Telecom, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Local Exchange Service Within the Study Area of Midstate Communications, Inc. (SDPUC TC11-087)

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Native American Telecom, LLC ("NAT") requests the Commission postpone the decisions scheduled for its next meeting on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, regarding the various parties' Petitions to Intervene in the above-referenced matter. This item is listed in the telecommunications part of the Commission's agenda under item number 3.

On October 11, 2011, NAT filed is Application for Certificate of Authority with the Commission. The Commission then established an Intervention date of October 28, 2011. Since filing is Application for Certificate of Authority, NAT received the following intervention petitions:

- 1. Midstate's Petition for Intervention (10-13-2011);
- 2. AT&T Petition for Intervention (10-26-2011);
- 3. Sprint's Petition for Intervention (10-28-2011);
- 4. CenturyLink's/Qwest's Petition for Intervention (10-28-2011);
- 5. SDTA's Petition for Intervention (10-28-2011); and
- 6. CenturyLink's/Qwest's Re-filed Petition for Intervention (11-1-2011).

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Therefore, the decision date the Commission has scheduled is less than ten (10) working days from receipt of the last intervention petition. NAT requests the Commission postpone the decisions on the respective Petitions to Intervene until its next regularly scheduled meeting on November 22, 2011. This will allow NAT time to review the petitions and determine if it will file objections.

If the Commission desires a formal motion requesting the hearing on the Petitions for Intervention be postponed, please let me know and I will immediately file a formal motion. If the Commission desires more information or anything else regarding this request, please let me know.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Scott R. Swier

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