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

IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	DOCKET NO. TC12-184
APPLICATION OF COMMON	)	
POINT LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE	)	JOINT STIPULATION OF THE
OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE	)	PARTIES RESOLVING ALL
LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES	)	ISSUES
IN SOUTH DAKOTA	)	

Come now, the parties in the above-entitled action, Kara Semmler of May, Adam, Gerdes & Thompson, counsel for Common Point, LLC ("Common Point"), Darla Pollman Rogers of Riter, Rogers, Wattier & Northrup, LLP, counsel for Intervenor South Dakota Network, LLC ("SDN"), and Richard Coit, counsel for Intervenor South Dakota Telecommunications Association ("SDTA"), and hereby submit this joint stipulation to the Commission:

1. SDN and SDTA have agreed to the issuance of Common Point, LLCs requested Certificate of Authority as long as the Order issuing the Certificate of Authority incorporates the following agreement of the parties:

The parties agree that the Certificate of Authority granted by the Commission to Common Point would authorize Common Point to offer its services statewide throughout South Dakota. However, with respect to rural telephone companies, Common Point agrees that it would not provide local exchange telecommunications services directly to end user residential and business customers of rural telephone companies. The local exchange telecommunications services in rural telephone company service areas excluded from this certification include but are not limited to the direct provisioning of telephone exchange service, switched access telecommunications services, special access telecommunications services, and dedicated trunking facilities to either residential or business end user customers in rural telephone company service areas. The Commission Order related to Common Point's request for local service authority would provide that with respect to rural telephone companies, Common Point would have to come

before the Commission in another proceeding before being able to directly provide any local exchange telecommunications services to either residential or business end user customers in rural telephone company service areas. In such subsequent proceeding, the provisions of 47 U.S.C. § 253(f), SDCL § 49-31-73, and the Commission's administrative rules, which allow the Commission to require a company that seeks to provide service in a rural service area to meet the requirements in 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1) for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier, would apply. In addition, the granting of authority to Common Point to offer its services statewide will not affect the exemptions, suspensions, and modifications for rural telephone companies found in 47 U.S.C.§ 251(f).

In recognition of the centralized equal access configuration in South Dakota, Common Point agrees to deliver all interexchange traffic originating from and terminating to any customers of SDN's member company ILECs and affiliated CLECs via the SDN tandem switch in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a limitation of any rights granted to SDN pursuant to the FCC Order in File No. W-P-C-6486, or in South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Order F3860.

2. With this agreement of the parties, the parties request the Commission proceed to approval of the Certificate of Authority with the parties' agreed upon limitations.

Dated this 10day of December, 2013.

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