BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF RED RIVER RURAL TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION FOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING ITS USE OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT

RED RIVER RURAL TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION'S RESPONSES TO DATA REQUEST 1 OF THE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. TC12-051

TO: The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, and their attorney and staff, 500 East Capitol, Pierre, SD 57501.

Red River Rural Telephone Association (the "Red River"), serves its responses, as follows:

DATA REQUESTS

DATA REQUEST 1.1: With the understanding that next year companies will be faced with more ETC Certification requirements, what is Red River Rural Telephone Association currently doing to prepare for these new standards?

RESPONSE: Red River is monitoring the ETC certification requirements and are prepared to comply with any new requirement. Red River will continue to collect and report detailed information with respect to proposed improvements and upgrades, including the area and population impacted. Red River has submitted similar reports to state commissions.

DATA REQUEST 1.2: Specifically, what are Red River's future broadband plans?

RESPONSE: By the end of this year, the South Dakota customers will be served by fiber and will be capable of receiving broadband service. The upgraded plant will enable the South Dakota customers to receive the most advanced services offered by Red River.

RED RIVER RURAL TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION ·

Dated: June 26, 2012

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By Its General Manager