

Via Electronic Filing

July 10, 2012

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: In the Matter of the Request of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company for Certification
Regarding Its Use of Federal Universal Service Support
Docket No.: TC12-052

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached by e-filing please find Farmers Mutual Telephone Company's Responses to Data Request 1 of the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

The Company requests confidential treatment of Responses to Data Request 1, pursuant to the requirements of ARSD § 20:10:01:41. These Responses contain financial information with independent economic value which is not generally known to, and not readily ascertainable to, competitors of the Company which could obtain economic value from disclosure. The Company maintains the information as secret. The Company requests that such information be maintained as confidential by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission in perpetuity.

Very truly yours,



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