

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

**In the Matter of CenturyLink QC's Request
of the South Dakota Public Utilities
Commission for 2012 ETC Certification
Pursuant to § 20:10:32:52**

TC12-_____

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF INFORMATION

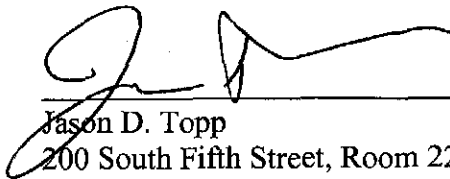
Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:41, CenturyLink QC ("CenturyLink") requests confidential treatment of information as follows:

1. CenturyLink requests confidential protection and treatment of Attachments B, C, and D to its Annual Certification which contains competitively sensitive information. The attachments are marked as "Confidential."
2. The document must be protected for the life of this docket. When the docket is closed, all protected information must be returned to CenturyLink.
3. The person to be notified is Jeff Carmon, CenturyLink, 125 S. Dakota Avenue, 8th Floor, Sioux Falls, SD 57104, telephone (605) 339-6871.
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, CenturyLink

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

Dated this 31st day of May, 2012.

CENTURYLINK QC



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