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# Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:  
COUNTY OF LAWRENCE:

Letitia Lister of said County and State being first duly sworn, on her oath says: That the BLACK HILLS PIONEER is a legal daily newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the City of Spearfish, in said County and State by Letitia Lister, and has been such a newspaper during the times hereinafter mentioned; and that said newspaper has a bonafide circulation of at least 200 copies weekly, and has been published within said County in the English language for at least one year prior to the first publication of the notice herein mentioned, and is printed in whole or in part in an office maintained at the place of publication; and that I, Letitia Lister, the undersigned, am the Publisher of said newspaper and have personal knowledge of all the facts stated in this affidavit; and that the advertisement headed:

Notice by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
"Display Ad"

a printed copy of which is hereto attached, was printed and published in said newspaper for 1 successive and consecutive weeks, the first publication being made on the 30th day of July, 2014, and the last publication on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, that the full amount of fees charged for publishing same, to-wit: The sum of \$ 301.20, insures solely to the benefit of the publisher of the BLACK HILLS PIONEER, that no agreement or understanding for a division thereof has been made with any person and that no part thereof has been agreed to be paid to any other person whomsoever.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014

Richard S. Richards  
Notary Public, Lawrence County, South Dakota  
My commission expires: 10-24-2016

## NOTICE BY THE SOUTH DAKOTA COMMISSION OF THE LOCAL TELEPHONE

On July 15, 2014, the South Dakota Commission received a joint application from Kite-Pare West Finance, LLC, ("WOW!"), on behalf of Knology of the Plains, Inc.; Knology Community Telephone, Inc.; Knology Hills Fiber Systems, Inc. (collectively "Knology") and Clarity Telecom, LLC ("Clarity") to sell its local telephone exchanges to a number of local telephone exchange communities: Alsen, Belle Fourche, rural Canton, Centerville, Central City, Elk Point, Flandreau, Flyger, Gayville, Lennox, Madison, Monroe, North Sioux City, Sioux Falls, Spearfish, St. Onge, Viborg, Volin, Wakonda, Watertown, Yankton. The application states that the following reasons: 1) while under operational functions were completed to be the operation and expansion of the Minnesota, and Iowa; 2) Clarity plans structure; 3) there will be no change offered in the telephone exchanges; 4) will continue to provide enhanced service; 5) there will be no reduction in service in South Dakota resulting solely from the purchase of the exchanges; 6) Clarity is committed to providing telecommunications services; and 7) no reduction, or impairment of any of the services.

The public is invited to participate in the Commission within 15 days of publication of the public may petition for intervention in the proceeding by following the procedure which is available at <http://legis.sd.gov/Rule=20:10:01:15.02> or which may be obtained from the Commission. Petitions for intervention must be filed within 15 days of publication of this notice, demonstrated or if requested by a petitioner a public hearing on the application. The Commission will issue a decision on the application in accordance with the rules of procedure.

The public may offer comments or other non-confidential filings in the Commission, 500 E. Capitol Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, telephone 1-800-332-1782 or (605) 773-3333, puc@state.sd.us. The application is available on the Commission's website at: <http://puc.sd.gov/Docket>

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