

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

**In the Matter of CenturyLink QC's Request
for Certification Regarding its Use of Federal
Universal Service Support**

TC16-039

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 CenturyLink QC's Projected 2016-2017 CAF II Planning 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 Kent Blickensderfer, CenturyLink, 220 North 5th Street, Bismarck, North Dakota 58501, telephone (701) 222-7051.
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 7th day of September, 2016.


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