



Advocating for South Dakota's Rural Broadband Providers

September 12, 2016

Ms. Patty Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Ave.
State Capitol Building
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: Docket TC1016-050, In the Matter of the Application for Certificate of Authority for eNetworks, LLC

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

On or about August 11, 2016, SDTA filed a Petition to Intervene in the above referenced Docket. That Petition was filed based on a lack of sufficient information in the Application for Certificate of Authority (Application) filed by eNetworks, LLC and SDTA's resulting belief that eNetworks may be seeking statewide authority to provide its local exchange services. As noted in SDTA's Petition to Intervene, eNetwork's initial Application raised questions, specifically, as to the geographic scope of the certification requested and also as to what type of local exchange services would be provided.

Since the filing of SDTA's Petition to Intervene, eNetwork has filed revisions to its Application, amending specifically paragraphs 9 and 15 within that document. The amendments expressly provide that:

Applicant plans on offering service only within the CenturyLink service territory in South Dakota; and

Applicant does not plan on providing local exchange service in the service area of a rural telephone company. The company will only offer service in CenturyLink[s] service territory as identified in the response to question #9. If the Applicant chooses to provide service in the area of a rural telephone company, the Applicant acknowledges that an amended application will have to be submitted to that effect.

Based on these stated clarifications, SDTA is now satisfied that eNetworks does not intend under its current application to provide any of its planned telecommunications transmission services within the service area of any rural telephone company in South Dakota – that it will not operate as a competing “local exchange carrier,” providing either “telephone exchange

service” or “exchange access” services within such areas. Accordingly, SDTA would at this time request a withdrawal of its intervention in this proceeding, previously granted by Commission Order dated September 6, 2016.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this letter and thank you for your assistance in filing and distributing copies of the same.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Richard D. Coit', written in a cursive style.

Richard D. Coit
SDTA Executive Director and General Counsel

cc: Docket “Service List”