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VIA E-DOCKET

Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501-5070 (605) 773-3201

Re: Combined Public Communications, LLC

Dear Sir/Ma'am,

Attached please find Combined Public Communications, LLC's ("Combined Public") Application for a Certificate of Authority to provide Interexchange Telecommunications and Operator Services in South Dakota.

COMBINED PUBLIC HAS ALSO ATTACHED A COPY OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, NOTED IT AS "CONFIDENTIAL" AND RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT OF THE ATTACHED FINANCIAL INFORMATION. The information which is the subject of this request is Exhibit C. As a privately-held company, the Combined Public's financial statements are not made publicly available, and Combined Public takes reasonable precautions to maintain and protect the confidentiality of such information. Public disclosure of Combined Public's financial information for which this request is made could place Combined Public at a competitive disadvantage. For these reasons, Combined Public hereby respectfully requests that its financial statements in Exhibit C be treated as confidential information and not made a part of the public record in this Docket.

The application fee of \$250.00 is being sent directly to South Dakota Public Utilities Commission under separate cover.

If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Lance J.M. Steinhart

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Enclosures