



July 14, 2021

***Via E-filing***

Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Capitol Building, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: **TC21-043**: Peerless Network of South Dakota, LLC – Data Request Responses

On June 28, 2021, Staff submitted data requests associated with a tariff filing submitted by Peerless Network of South Dakota, LLC (“Peerless” or “Company”) on June 16, 2021. Peerless’s responses to Staff’s data requests are provided below.

**Data Request Responses**

1. Provide the revised tariff sheets that have been filed or will be filed with the FCC to implement changes required by WC Docket No. 18-156, FCC Release No. 20-143.

**Peerless Response**

After reviewing Staff’s data requests, Peerless decided to withdraw the previous tariff filing and replace it with a tariff filing submitted on July 14, 2021. The corrected July 14<sup>th</sup> filing is attached to these data request responses for reference. Unlike the withdrawn filing, the corrected filing filed on July 14 no longer cross-references to Peerless’s FCC Tariff. As such, the FCC tariff pages requested in data request #1 are no longer referenced in Peerless’s South Dakota intrastate tariff filing. However, if Staff would still like to review the Company’s FCC tariff filing, a copy will be provided upon request.

2. Refer to the proposed 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Page No. 69. Regarding Note 2 and the originating rates listed under Section 5.1.2, will the Originating Toll Free and Originating Non-Toll Free rates be the same? If the toll free and non-toll free originating rates are different, would Peerless Network be opposed to listing the Non-Toll Free Originating Access Service rates separately from the Toll Free Originating Access Service rates that mirror the interstate rates in order to more clearly identify the difference?

**Peerless Response**

As indicated above in response to #1, Peerless’s corrected tariff filing submitted on July 14<sup>th</sup> lists the Toll-Free and Non-Toll-Free rates separately, and deletes the Note 2 that was in the withdrawn tariff filing.

3. Does Peerless Network have Joint Tandem Switched Transport Access Service rate elements for Toll Free Calls that should be no more than \$0.001 per minute? Explain and point to the location in the South Dakota tariff if applicable.

**Peerless Response**

Yes, the corrected filing submitted on July 14<sup>th</sup> contains the \$0.001 per minute rate for Tandem Switched Transport. This rate is show on 1<sup>st</sup> revised page 69.

Any questions or correspondence about these data request responses should be directed to me at the contact information below. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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