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## **Via Certified Mail**

Ms. Leah Mohr
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
1st floor 500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

RE: Application of Ezee Fiber Texas, LLC to operate as a provider of competitive local and interexchange services throughout the state of South Dakota

Dear Ms. Mohr:

Ezee Fiber Texas, LLC ("Ezee Fiber") provides this letter of transmittal and submits the enclosed information to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") for authority to operate as a provider of competitive local and interexchange services throughout the state of South Dakota ("Application") pursuant to Chapter 20:10:13 of the South Dakota Administrative Rules.

The Application, consisting of the application itself and the attachments, has been e-filed, and four copies will be sent to the Commission, as requested.

The Applicant's legal name is Ezee Fiber Texas, LLC, with its principal place of business in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Ezee Fiber is a corporation organized on March 19, 2021, under the laws of Delaware. Ezee Fiber seeks to provide local exchange and interexchange service in South Dakota.

In accordance with ARSD §§ 20:10:01:39-42, Ezee Fiber respectfully requests confidential treatment of certain information contained in this filing. In compliance with ARSD § 20:10:01:41, material containing confidential information has been marked as "Confidential" and submitted separately (not e-filed) in a sealed envelope along with this filing.

(1) Ezee Fiber requests confidential treatment of the following documents that are confidential in their entirety:

Exhibit C – List of Affiliates. This information is required for the Application, but contains proprietary and confidential information that could be misappropriated by parties for their commercial benefit and to Ezee Fiber's detriment if not treated as confidential.

Exhibit D – Financial Information. This information is required for the Application, but contains proprietary and confidential information that could be misappropriated by parties for their commercial benefit and to Ezee Fiber's detriment if not treated as confidential.

- (2) Duration of request: Perpetually
- (3) Persons to be contacted regarding the confidentiality request:

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(4) Legal grounds for confidential treatment:

Confidential treatment is requested on the grounds that the material is trade secret, proprietary information as defined as confidential information by ARSD S:39(4) and (5).

(5) Factual grounds for confidential treatment:

The material qualifies for confidential treatment because it contains proprietary business information that Ezee Fiber does not disclose to the public. Disclosure of the material would result in material damage to Ezee Fiber's financial and/or competitive position. The confidentiality enhances Ezee Fiber's ability to negotiate terms that protect customers with regards to costs and Ezee Fiber's obligation to provide reliable service.

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Danowsky