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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Re:

SBC Long Distance, Inc.

Amendment to Petition and Request for Expedited Action

File No. TC04-263

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of SBC Long Distance, Inc., and pursuant to discussions between the undersigned attorney and the Commission's staff, SBC Long Distance, Inc. hereby amends the above-captioned Petition and Request for Expedited Action by incorporating by reference the contents of the enclosed Application of Southwestern Bell Communications Services Inc. d/b/a SBC Long Distance for an Amended Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in the State of South Dakota (File No. TC04-098). The Commission granted this Application on June 30, 2004.

By this letter, SBC Long Distance also wishes to confirm that, pursuant to the above-captioned filing, it seeks authority to consummate, on or about March 30, 2004, the conversion and reorganization measures described in its filing, and to effectuate at that time all other regulatory requirements including the assignment to SBC Long Distance, LLC of SBC Long Distance's interconnection agreement and adoption agreement with Qwest Telecommunications; the transfer to and adoption by SBC Long Distance, LLC of SBC Long Distance's current filed tariffs, subject to submission to the Commission of a revised SBC Long Distance tariff reflecting SBC Long Distance's conversion to a limited liability company; and the transfer to SBC Long Distance, LLC of SBC Long Distance's surety bond.

An extra copy of the filing is enclosed. Please date-stamp the extra copy and return it in the addressed, self-stamped envelope.

Should you have any questions about this matter, please contact the undersigned counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

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