

June 22, 2007

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

RE: TC07-064 - PrairieWave Black Hills Certification of Federal Universal Service Support - Second Information Request

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

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On behalf of PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC enclosed for electronic filing is PrairieWave Black Hills' response to staff's second (2nd) information request.

Sincerely,

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Legal Assistant

Enclosures

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Docket No. TC07-064

(Staff Information Request)

 Please explain why the Actual 2006 Plant Specific Operations Expenses on Exhibit A were revised.

<u>Response:</u> The Actual 2006 Plant Specific Operations Expenses on Exhibit A did not include Rapid City network operations specific to the Northern Hills, which included the tekelec switch.

2. What reduced the Estimated 2009 Plant Specific Operations Expenses?

<u>Response</u>: The reduction in Estimated 2009 Plant Specific Operations Expenses is due to the Northern Hills build out being complete.

3. What additional improvements were included to increase the Capital Expenditure 2006 amounts shown on Exhibit B?

<u>Response</u>: The increase to the 2006 Capital Expenditures amounts shown on Exhibit B are due to cable and wire expenditures not being included in the original amount.

4. What caused the Estimated Capital Expenditure 2007 amounts shown on Exhibit B to change?

<u>Response</u>: The change in the Estimated Capital Expenditures for 2007 amounts shown on Exhibit B are because of limited build outs planned in the Northern Hills due to the recent merger with Knology. Efforts will now be focused on the Rapid City market.

5. What caused the amounts shown on Exhibit C to change?

Response: See PrairieWave's response to #4 above.