Docket Number:TC22-018Subject Matter:Staff's Data Request 1Request to:Northern Valley Communications, LLC (Northern Valley or Company)Request from:South Dakota Public Utilities Commission StaffDate of Request:6/22/2022Responses Due:7/07/2022

1.1. Refer to the General Overview of Lifeline/Link Up Advertising/Outreach. Northern Valley states that new customers receive Lifeline information in their new member welcome packet. Confirm new customers received information about the availability of the Lifeline program within 30 days of receiving service.

Confirmed.

- 1.2. Confirm the difference between the High Cost Loop Support amount on Exhibit A and the Frozen High Cost Support amount as reported on the USAC website is due to reporting the amount on a cash received basis instead of the accrual basis used by USAC.
- 1.3. Provide an update on the projects funded by the connect SD Broadband grant.
  - a. Have these projects been completed? If not, when does Northern Valley expect completion?
  - b. Do the 2021 additions on Exhibit A include the Connect SD projects? If so, please specifically identify the amounts funded by the grant.
- 1.4. What percentage of Northern Valley's customers have FTTH?