BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF QWEST CORPORATION AND MCLEOD USA TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, LLC DBA PAETEC BUSINESS SERVICES REQUEST FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE WIRELINE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT

ORDER APPROVING AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT

TC11-006

On February 16, 2011, the Commission received an Amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC dba PAETEC Business Services. The parties have amended the agreement by adding terms and conditions related to xDSL Capable Loops. The parties have agreed to implement the provisions of this Amendment the later of February 28, 2011, or upon the Commission approval date.

On February 17, 2011, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing of the amendment to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until March 4, 2011, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its March 22, 2011, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the negotiated amendment to the agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA dba PAETEC Business Services. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. In accordance with 47 U.S.C § 252(e)(2), the Commission found that the agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement and the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the agreement.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest and McLeodUSA dba PAETEC Business Services is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this day of March, 2011.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically

By:

Date:

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

STEVE KOLBECK, Chairman

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner