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Hillary Brady  
Office of the Hearing Examiners  
State of South Dakota  
210 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Docket No. TC06-181 (PUC 7-01) In the Matter of the Petition of Venture Communications Cooperative for Suspension or Modification of Local Dialing Parity and Reciprocal Compensation Obligations

Dear Ms. Brady:

You will find enclosed herein the following submitted on behalf of Venture Communications in the above docket:

1. Rebuttal Testimony of Randy Houdek;
2. Rebuttal Testimony of Jo Shotwell;

The rebuttal testimony of Mr. Thompson, both public and confidential, will be submitted under separate cover.

I would advise you that this will be the final prefiled testimony submitted in this case. When the parties agreed to an extension of the hearing date, the revised procedural schedule included dates for submission of surrebuttal testimony and response to surrebuttal testimony. The parties agreed that the surrebuttal testimony was limited, however, to any cost study testimony Venture included in its rebuttal testimony resulting from discovery data provided by Alltel. Response to surrebuttal testimony was to be limited to surrebuttal. This agreement between Alltel and Venture is set forth in email correspondence between Mr. Simpson, dated July 6, 2007 (Copy attached).

In the rebuttal testimony Venture is submitting today, Venture did not include any cost study testimony resulting from discovery materials submitted by Alltel. Therefore, there will be no surrebuttal testimony or response to surrebuttal testimony, and this will be the final round of prefiled testimony.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE PEITION OF )  
VENTURE COMMUNICATIONS )  
COOPERATIVE FOR SUSPENSION OR )  
MODIFICATION OF LOCAL DIALING ) PUC 7-01  
PARITY AND RECIPORCAL )  
COMPENSATION OBLIGATIONS )

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned, attorney for Venture Communications Cooperative, hereby certified that a true and correct copy of Rebuttal Testimony of Jo Shotwell, Randy Houdek was sent electronically on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2007, upon:

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