

**RESPONSE OF AT&T COMMUNICATIONS
OF THE MIDWEST, INC. ("AT&T")
TO DATA REQUEST ONE ISSUED BY THE
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION STAFF**

- 1-1) The letter Jon Blessing sent with the initial filing stated the "filing introduces AT&T VoIP Access". Was this language inadvertently included in this letter, as the filing appears to only include information regarding the FCC ordered terminating switched access "step down" rates?**

RESPONSE:

The language included in our initial cover letter of "This filing introduces AT&T VoIP Access" was inadvertently included in the cover letter. The cover letter should have stated, "This filing is being made to implement the Federal Communications Commission's November 18, 2011, Intercarrier Compensation Reform Order."

- 1-2) What is meant by the sentence in Jon Blessing's second letter in this docket stating, "The tariff page that was filed reflects that AT&T intends on maintaining its current rate structure at this time."? It appears to contradict with the terminating rate decreases seen in the tariff revision.**

RESPONSE:

The FCC Rules allow a CLEC to "elect to establish rates for Transitional Intrastate Access Service using its intrastate rate structure" (§51.911(b)(4)) or to "elect to apply its interstate access rate structure and interstate rates to Transitional Intrastate Access Service." (§51.911(b)(5)) AT&T elected to use its current intrastate rate structure for this filing and to wait until July 2013 to implement its interstate access rate structure in South Dakota.