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Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re: ETC Certification – Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.
Our File No. 280.01

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed for filing is the Annual ETC Certification of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. On January 1, 2012, Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. merged with two of its wholly-owned subsidiaries which previously operated as local exchange carriers in South Dakota. Those two wholly-owned subsidiaries were Splitrock Properties, Inc. and Hills Telephone Company, Inc. Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. is the surviving entity of those two mergers. As a result of these mergers, Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. now operates in three separate study areas in the State of South Dakota. The accompanying exhibits are prepared on the basis of each separate study area.

Enclosed with the Annual ETC Certification of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. are the following exhibits:

1. Exhibit A showing actual expenditures by Splitrock Properties, Inc. in Study Area 391657;
2. Exhibit A showing actual expenditures by Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391657;
3. Exhibit A showing actual expenditures by Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391642;
4. Exhibit A showing actual expenditures by Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391405;

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5. Exhibit B showing the two-year plan of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391657;
6. Exhibit B showing the two-year plan of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391642;
7. Exhibit B showing the two-year plan of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. in Study Area 391405; and
8. Exhibit C – the Affidavit of Don Snyders as General Manager of Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.

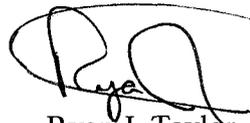
Please note that all of the items identified as Exhibit A and Exhibit B and enumerated as Item Nos. 1-7 above are marked as “Confidential.” Please treat them accordingly.

Also enclosed for filing is the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Lifeline/Link up Advertising/Outreach Annual Report for June 1, 2012.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at (605) 335-4950. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

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Attachments
cc: Don Snyders