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July 29, 2015

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capital Building – 1st Floor
500 East Capital Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Re: Section 54.313 and 54.422 Annual Reports for 2015
Docket TC13-027

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

In response to questions posed by the Commission at its July 21, 2015 meeting regarding filings by Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC (“CTC-Minnesota”) in this docket, the company offers the following responses:

1. How many census blocks in South Dakota is CTC-Minnesota accepting CAF Phase II funding for?

Response: Our engineering group is still vetting the material regarding CAF Phase II funding, so at this time we cannot say with certainty how many census blocks in South Dakota are involved. All of our South Dakota customers are “underserved” under the FCC’s categorization and would be eligible for CAF II funding support. According to the FCC’s data for CAF II funding, Moody County has 17 supported locations with \$20,550 of funding and Minnehaha County has 30 supported locations with \$25,829 of funding. It is our belief that all of our South Dakota customers are encompassed by these supported locations, and that the CAF II funding offered by the FCC and accepted by CTC-Minnesota will enable upgraded service for all of our South Dakota customers.

2. What is the build out plan?

Response: Our engineering group is still vetting the material regarding CAF Phase II funding. Detailed planning is still in progress, so the specifics of the build out plan for South Dakota are not complete at this time. When that planning is complete, we would be happy to share the specifics with the Commission.

3. What is the time line for the build out plan?

Response: Our engineering group is still vetting the material regarding CAF Phase II funding. Detailed planning is still in progress, so the specifics of the build out plan and time line for South Dakota are not complete at this time. When that planning is complete, we would be happy to share the specific time line with the Commission.

4. Are any of the South Dakota customers located in the Ultra High Costs census blocks? If so, are there any plans to address them?

Response: It does not appear that any of CTC-Minnesota's South Dakota customers are located in Ultra High Cost census blocks.

5. Provide the physical boundary of the South Dakota portion of the Jasper Exchange.

Response: See attached map. This material was taken from the FCC's website at <http://apps.fcc.gov/wcb/sabdata/>, related to the FCC's recent study area mapping effort.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (952) 491-5534, or by email at Scott.Bohler@ftr.com.

Sincerely,

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