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Ms. Ilona Jeffcoat-Sacco
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue -- 12th Floor
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Re: Interconnection Tie Pair Amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

Please find enclosed for filing for approval by the North Dakota Public Service Commission pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252 and N.D. Cent. Code § 49-21-01.7 an original copy of the Interconnection Tie Pair Amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc for the State of North Dakota. This Amendment revises the Interconnection Agreement between the parties approved by the Commission on May 26, 1999 in docket number PU-2057-99-109.

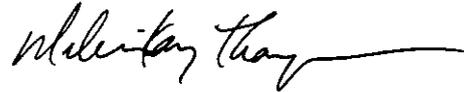
Contact information for McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc is Office of the General Counsel, McLeodUSA, 6400 C Street SW, Box 3177, Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52406-3177; telephone: 319-790-7744.

We have also enclosed an extra copy of this letter and of the filing. Please date stamp the extra copies and return them to us for our files. We will forward an electronic copy of the Amendment to you for posting on the Commission's website.

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Thank you for your help with this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melissa K. Thompson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melissa K. Thompson

Encl.

cc: Scott Macintosh w/o encl.
Office of the General Counsel, McLeodUSA w/o encl.