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April 27, 2021

Mr. Steven Kahl  
Executive Director, ND PSC  
North Dakota Capitol  
600 E. Boulevard, Twelfth Floor  
Bismarck, ND 58505

RE: Midcontinent Communications/Griggs County Telephone Company  
Petition for Approval of Amendment to Interconnection Agreement; PU-16-686

Dear Mr. Kahl:

Enclosed for filing please find an original Midcontinent Communications Petition for Approval of Amendment to Interconnection Agreement with attached Exhibit A—Amendment to the Agreement Between Griggs County Telephone Company and Midcontinent Communications. This document is also being transmitted electronically to your office. The original Interconnection Agreement was filed with the Commission in PU-16-686.

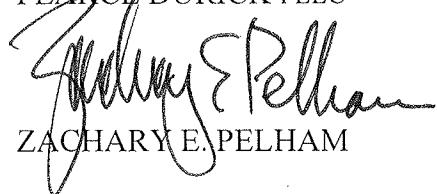
Midcontinent requests expedited approval of the interconnection agreement amendment at the earliest possible date and in less than ninety days.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

cc: Mary Buley, Representative of Griggs County Telephone Company

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Amendment to Interconnection Agreement

Griggs County Telephone Company / Midcontinent Communications

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**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA**  
**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF:	)	Case No.
	)	
Midcontinent Communications, a	)	
South Dakota Partnership,	)	
	)	
Complainant,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
Griggs County Telephone Company,	)	
	)	
Respondent.	)	

**MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATION'S PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF  
AMENDMENT TO INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

Midcontinent Communications ("Midcontinent") and Griggs County Telephone Company ("Griggs") entered into a negotiated and joint interconnection agreement in PU-16-686. The Commission entered an order on interconnection agreement on December 14, 2016.

Thereafter, Midcontinent and Griggs voluntarily entered into an AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY AND MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS. Said agreement is marked as Exhibit A and attached hereto.

WHEREFORE, Midcontinent requests that the Commission enter an Order approving the AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY AND MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(1).

Dated this 27th day of April, 2021.

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**AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN  
GRIGGS COUNTY TELEPHONE COMPANY  
and  
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS**

This Amendment (the "Amendment") amends the Interconnection Agreement by and between Griggs County Telephone Company ("Company") with offices in 301 Dewey St., Enderlin, ND 58027 and Midcontinent Communications, with a place of business at 3901 North Louise Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57107 ("CLEC"), and shall be deemed effective upon approval by the Commission ("Effective Date"). This Agreement may refer to either Company or CLEC as a "Party" or collectively as the "Parties."

WHEREAS, Company and CLEC are parties to an Interconnection Agreement under Sections 251 and 252 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), dated October 27th, 2016 and

WHEREAS, the Parties have subsequently agreed to amend the Agreement in order to update Exhibit 1 to the Agreement.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the promises and mutual agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. This Amendment is composed of the foregoing recitals, the terms and conditions contained herein, and Exhibit 1 immediately following, all of which are hereby incorporated in this Amendment by this reference and constitute a part of this Amendment.
2. The original Exhibit 1 is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the Exhibit 1 attached to this Amendment in order to reflect the addition of exchange of local traffic for the Company exchange of Finley, ND with CLEC.
3. This Amendment once executed will be filed with the North Dakota Public Service Commission by the Company.

Griggs County Telephone Company

By: Tyler Kilde

Tyler Kilde  
(Print Name)

General Manager  
Title

Apr 21, 2021  
(Date)

Midcontinent Communications (Midco)  
BY: Midcontinent Communications Investor, LLC  
Its: Managing Partner

By: Patrick J. Mastel

Patrick J. Mastel  
(Print Name)

SVP & General Counsel  
Title

Mar 26, 2021

(Date)

**EAS/LOCAL CALLING SCOPE AND NPA-NXXs**

<b>Exchange in Local Calling Area</b>	<b>Midcontinent NPA/ NXX</b>	<b>Griggs County NPA/NXX</b>	<b>EAS NPA NXX within Calling Scope</b>
Cooperstown, ND	701-789-5xxx	701-797	Binford – 701-676 McHenry – 701-785
Finley, ND	701-XXX	701-524	Hope, ND - 701-945

Any NPA-NXX codes added to the local calling areas or EAS areas for these exchanges during the term of this Agreement shall be added to the list above by amendment.