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# BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF CENTRAL PAYPHONE SERVICES, INC.'S FAILURE TO SUBMIT A REPORT AND PAY THE GROSS RECEIPTS TAX ORDER FOR AND NOTICE OF SHOW CAUSE HEARING

TC97-202

SDCL 49-1A-1 establishes the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) Gross Receipts Tax Fund. This fund is financed by assessing a tax of .0015 or \$250, whichever is greater, on the annual intrastate gross receipts received by a utility from the company's customers within the State of South Dakota, and requires that all telecommunications companies submit on June 1, each year, a report of the amount of such gross receipts received during the preceding calendar year and pay the tax. A penalty of 10% of the tax is imposed for each month of delinquency.

Despite reminder letters from the Commission on May 9, 1997, and on June 12, 1997. Central Payphone Services, Inc., has failed to file the required report and pay the gross receipts tax.

Pursuant to SDCL 49-1A-6, the Commission may collect this debt by distress and sale of any personal property of the company within South Dakota. Further, the Commission has the authority, under SDCL 49-31-3, to suspend or revoke the certificate of authority granted to the company; assess a civil fine against the company from \$200 to \$1,000 under SDCL 49-31-38; proceed under SDCL 49-31-38.2 or 49-31-38.3 to stop the company from transacting any future business in South Dakota; or take any other enforcement actions against the company allowed by law.

Central Payphone Services, Inc., shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 P.M. (CDT) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. The hearing is being held pursuant to the Commission's jurisdiction over telecommunications companies found at SDCL Chapter 1-26, 49-1A, and 49-31, specifically, 49-1-11(4), 49-1A-3, 49-1A-4, 49-1A-5, 49-1A-6, 49-31-3, and ARSD 20 10:0145

The issue at the hearing is whether the Commission shall suspend or revoke Central Payphone Services, Inc.'s Certificate of Authority or otherwise institute collection proceedings against Central Payphone Services, Inc. for failure to pay gross receipts tax.

At the hearing representatives of the company may appear in person and may be represented by legal counsel or legal assistant (paralegal) if desired. The hearing shall be an adversary proceeding and the company shall have the burden of proving that none of the above enumerated adverse actions should be taken against it. These and other due process rights shall be deemed waived if not exercised at the hearing. The decision of the Commission may be appealed to the Circuit Court and the State Supreme Court as provided by law. It is therefore

ORDERED, that a show cause hearing in the matter of Central Payphone Services, Inc., shall be held on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 P.M. (CDT) (or as soon thereafter as the parties can be heard) in Room 430. State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota. And it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that, in the event Central Payphone Services, Inc., shall file an appropriate report and pay the delinquent gross receipts tax, including the 10% penalty for the month's of June, July, August, September, October, November, and December, the hearing and actions mentioned herein shall not be held or taken, otherwise this order shall remain in effect.

Dated at Pierre. South Dakota, this 30th day of December, 1997.

#### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed equelops, with charges prepaid thereon.

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION: Commissioners Burg, Nelson and Schoenfelder

WILLIAM BULLARD, JR. Executive Director

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TC97-207	In The Matter Of Preferred Telecom, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Preferred Telecom shall appear on February 3, 1989, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SOL Chapter 49-1A (Statt SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-208	In The Matter Of SmarTel Communications, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. SmarTel	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-209	In The Matter Of Telecom USA d/b/e Teleconnect Company's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax Teleconnect shall appear on February 3, 1999, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff. SCICH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-210	In The Matter Of Telenational Communications' Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax Telenational Communications shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1.30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SCCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-211	In The Matter Of Total National Communications of the Total World Telecom's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receighs Tax: Total World Telecom shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building. Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SCCH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-212	In The Matter Of USX Consultants, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax: USX Consultants shall appear on February 3, 1969, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Captol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDC. Chapter 49-14. (Staff: SC/CL)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-213	In The Matter Of Universal Network Services of South Dakota, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Universal Network Services shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SCCH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
1097-214	In The Matter Of Utility Analysts, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Utility Analysts shall appear on February 3, 1996, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Captiol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to is how cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A (Staff SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-215	in The Matter Of WATS/800. Inc. drb/a ITS's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. ITS shall appear on February 3, 1986, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Captol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCC Lapter 49-1A. (Staff Sc/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
C97-216	In The Matter Of WorldTel Services, Inc 's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. WorldTel Services	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-217	In The Matter Of Cellular Express' Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Cellular Express shall appear	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98

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TC97-200	Jerome Jacobs ws U S WEST Communications. Complainant "would like to have [an] extra line for present and future development. U S WEST said I would have to pay for this line and service at a very high cost." (Staff: LH/KC)	12/24/97	NA
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TC97-201	In The Matter Of Advanced Telecommunication Network, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Advanced shall appear on February 3, 1988, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-202	In The Matter Of Central Payphone Services, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Central Payphone shall appear on February 3, 1988, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-203	In The Matter Of Fone America, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Fone America shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Captol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff: SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-204	In The Matter Of GTN Corp. d/b/a Global Telecom Network's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax GTN Corp shall appear on February 3, 1988, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A. (Staff. SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-205	In The Matter Of Immate Communications Corporation's Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Inmate Communications shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Pierre, South Dakota, to show cause why < Jion should not be taken against the company for failure to comply with SDCL Chapter 49-1A (Staff: SCCH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98
TC97-206	In The Matter Of Network Services, Inc. d'Ora Long Distance Network Services, Inc.'s Failure To Submit A Report And Pay The Gross Receipts Tax. Long Distance Network Services shall appear on February 3, 1998, at 1:30 pm (CST) in Room 430, State Capitol Building, Perre, South Daktor, to show cause why action should not be taken against the company for failure to comptly with SDCL Chapter 49-1A, (Staff: SC/CH)	12/30/97	Hearing 02/03/98

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For the Calendar Year ended December 31, 1996

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