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EARLY, LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

900 COMERICA BUILDING KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN 49007-4752 TELEPHONE (269) 381-8844 FAX (269) 349-8525 RECEIVED

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> VINCENT T. EARLY (1922 - 2001) JOSEPH J. BURGIE (1926 - 1992)

August 8, 2002

Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Pierre, SD 57501-5070

Re:

TELLISS, LLC

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing with the Commission, please find an original and ten (10) copies of the above captioned corporation's Application for a Certificate of Authority to transact business of a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services within South Dakota, along with a check in the amount of \$250.00 to cover filing fees relating to same.

In addition, enclosed is a duplicate copy of this letter. Please date-stamp the duplicate and return it to me in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please contact me.

Very truly/ours,

EARLY, LENYON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.

Patrick D. Grocker

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Enclosures

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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| IN THE MATTER OF: | | AUG 1 3 2002 |
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| THE APPLICATION OF TELLISS, LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO TRANSACT THE BUSINESS OF A RESELLED OF DITEREY CHANGE |))) | SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DOCKET NO |
| OF A RESELLER OF INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES AND |) | • |

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION

FOR APPROVAL OF ITS INITIAL TARIFF

Telliss, LLC (hereinafter "Applicant") respectfully requests that the Public Utilities Commission of the State of South Dakota (hereinafter referred to as "Commission") grant Applicant authority pursuant to SDCL 49-31-3 and in accordance with ARSD 20:10:24:02 to provide intrastate telecommunications services to the public within South Dakota through the resale of similar services offered by other interexchange carriers ("IXCs") in the State. Applicant further requests that the Commission approve its initial proposed tariff. Applicant, for purposes of verification, and in evidence of its fitness to operate and the public need for its services, offers the following information in support of this Application:

Identification of the Applicant

- 1. Applicant maintains its headquarters at 10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198, Fishers, Indiana 46038.
- 2. Applicant is organized under the laws of the State of Indiana. A copy of the Company's Articles of Organization is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Applicant has the authority to transact business within the State of South Dakota as a foreign limited liability company. A copy of the qualifying document is set forth in **Exhibit B** hereto.

3. Correspondence regarding this Application should be directed to:

Patrick D. Crocker Early, Lennon, Crocker & Bartosiewicz, P.L.C. 900 Comerica Building Kalamazoo, MI 49007-4752 (616) 381-8844

4. The name of Applicant's Registered Agent, and the address of the registered office of the corporation in South Dakota is:

Ronald D. Olinger, Esq. 117 E. Capitol Pierre, SD 57501-0066

Description of Authority Requested

- 5. Applicant seeks authority to operate as a reseller of intrastate telecommunications services to the public on a statewide basis. Applicant seeks authority to offer a full range of "1+" interexchange telecommunications services on a resale basis. Specifically, Applicant seeks authority to provide MTS, in-WATS, out-WATS, and Calling Card services.
 - 6. Applicant does not intend to provide operator services, 900 or 700 services.
- 7. Applicant owns no transmission facilities. Applicant will offer service to its subscribers using facilities of the communications networks of Global Crossing, or other facilities-based IXCs and the local exchange telephone companies ("LECs").
- 8. Applicant has no plans at this time to construct any telecommunications transmission facilities of its own and seeks no construction authority by means of this Application. Applicant will operate exclusively as a reseller.
- 9. Applicant will abide by all rules governing telecommunications resellers which the Commission has promulgated or may promulgate in the future, unless application of such rules in specifically waived by the Commission.

Proposed Services

- 10. Applicant intends to offer MTS, in-WATS, out-WATS, and Calling Card services to subscribers within South Dakota. Applicant combines high quality transmission services with very competitive rates, flexible end user billing, professional customer service and excellent reporting to create a unique blend which meets the individualized needs of such business customers.
 - 11. Applicant's services are designed to be especially attractive to business customers.
- 12. Applicant's intends to engage in "switchless" resale. Applicant will arrange for the traffic of underlying subscribers to be routed directly over the networks of Applicant's network providers.
- 13. Applicant is committed to the use of ethical sales practices. All distributors of its products must commit in writing to market Applicant's services in a professional manner, and to fairly and accurately portray Applicant's services and the charges for them.

Description and Fitness of Applicant

14. Applicant's officers have extensive managerial, financial and technical experience with which to execute the business plan described herein. Applicant's management personnel represent a broad spectrum of business and technical disciplines, possessing many years of individual and aggregate telecommunications experience. In support of Applicant's managerial and technical ability to provide the services for which authority is sought herein, Applicant submits a description of the background and experience of its current management team as **Exhibit C.** In support of Applicant's financial ability to provide the proposed services, Applicant attaches financial statements as **Exhibit D.**

Public Interest Considerations

- 15. Applicant's entry into the South Dakota marketplace is in the public interest because Applicant intends to make a uniquely attractive blend of service quality, network management and reporting, and low rates available.
- 16. In addition to the direct benefits delivered to the public by its services, Applicant's entry into the South Dakota marketplace will benefit the public indirectly by increasing the competitive pressure felt by existing IXCs, spurring them to lower costs and improve services in response.

Requested Regulatory Treatment

17. Applicant is a non-dominant reseller of interexchange telecommunications services. Applicant requests to be regulated by the Commission in the same relaxed fashion extended to other, similarly situated resellers.

Initial Proposed Tariff

18. Applicant proposes to offer service pursuant to the rules, regulations, rates and other terms and conditions included in Applicant's initial proposed tariff which is attached hereto as **Exhibit E.** Billing, payment, credit, deposit and collection terms are set forth in Applicant's proposed tariff.

Compliance with ARSD 20:10:24:02

- 19. In accordance with ARSD 20:10:24:02, Applicant provides the following information:
 - (1). The name, address and telephone number of Applicant:

Telliss, LLC 10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038

(2). Applicant shall provide services under the name:

Telliss, LLC

- (3). (a) Applicant is organized in the State of Indiana. A copy of Applicant's articles of organization is attached as Exhibit A. A copy of the Applicant's certificate of authority to transact business in South Dakota is attached as Exhibit B.
 - (b) Applicant has no principal office in South Dakota. Applicant's registered agent is set forth in paragraph 4 hereinabove.
 - (c) The names of Applicant's members and percentage of ownership held by each:

Members Percentage ownership Terry Ballantini 10142 Brook's School Road Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038

Phyllis Ballantini 50% 10142 Brook's School Road Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038

- (4). Applicant is not a partnership.
- (5). See paragraph 5 of the Application.
- (6). See paragraph 7 of the Application.

- (6). See paragraph 7 of the Application.
- (7). Applicant shall offer services on all equal access areas within the State of South Dakota. Accordingly, Applicant does not attach a map describing service boundaries.
- (8). See Exhibits D and E attached hereto.
- (9). All complaints and regulatory matters should be directed to Applicant as set forth in paragraph 1 of this Application.
- (10). A list of states where the Applicant is certified is attached hereto as Exhibit
 F. Applicant has not been denied certification in any state, and is in good standing with the appropriate regulatory agency in the states where registered or certified.
- (11). Applicant intends to market its services to primarily business customers.
- (12). Cost support for rates shown in the company's tariff for all noncompetitive or emerging competitive services are as follows:

Applicant's Cost for Underlying Transport Services

Applicant proposes to resell services within South Dakota in excess of Applicant's cost of purchasing services from Applicant's underlying carrier Global Crossing. Applicant purchases intrastate services from Global Crossing for approximately \$.35 per minute and resells to the public for approximately \$.06 a minute.

- (13). Applicant's federal employer ID number is 35-2152825.
- (14). Applicant has had no complaints filed against the applicant with any state or federal commission regarding the unauthorized switching of a customer's telecommunications provider and the act of charging customers for services

Conclusion

A decision by the Commission to grant Applicant a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is plainly in the public interest. Applicant will introduce important new products and services at very competitive rates as well as enhance the competitiveness of the overall long distance market in South Dakota.

WHEREFORE, Telliss, LLC respectfully requests that this Commission grant it authority to transact the business of a reseller of interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Dakota, that the Commission regulate it in a streamlined fashion, and that the Commission approve Applicant's initial proposed tariff effective on the date of the Order granting authority.

Respectfully submitted,

Telliss, LLC

Dated: 8-8-02

Patrick D/ Crocker

EARLY, LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.

900 Comerica Building

Kalamazoø, MI 49007-4752

Its: Attorneys

VERIFICATION

Terry Ballantini, Member/President for Telliss, LLC first being duly sworn on oath, deposes and says that he has read the foregoing Application and verifies that the statements made therein are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.

Telliss, LLC

By:

Terry Ballartini, Member/President

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this $\frac{\partial 8^{th}}{\partial t}$ day of $\frac{\partial 8^{th}}{$

Notary Public A

For the County of Hamilton

My Commission Expires: March 22,2010

EXHIBIT A

Articles of Organization

State of Indiana Office of the Secretary of State

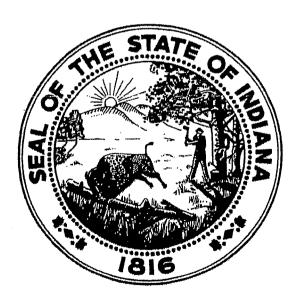
CERTIFICATE OF ORGANIZATION

of

TELLISS, LLC

I, SUE ANNE GILROY, Secretary of State of Indiana, hereby certify that Articles of Organization of the above Domestic Limited Liability Company (LLC) have been presented to me at my office, accompanied by the fees prescribed by law and that the documentation presented conforms to law as prescribed by the provisions of the Indiana Business Flexibility Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, with this document I certify that said transaction will become effective Thursday, October 18, 2001.



In Witness Whereof, I have caused to be affixed my signature and the seal of the State of Indiana, at the City of Indianapolis, October 18, 2001.

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SUE ANNE GILROY, SECRETARY OF STATE

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APPROVED AND FILED IND. SECRETARY OF STATE

INDIANA ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

OF

Tellis, LLC Telliss cuc

An Indiana Limited Liability Company

ULCOTIO HARRES

Article 1. NAME.

The name of the Limited Liability Company is Tellis, LLC Tell: 55, CCc

SUE ATTICE OFFICE

Article 2. REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE.

The name and address information of the Limited Liability Company's Registered Agent and Office located in the state of Indiana is:

Terry Ballantini 10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038

Article 3. PRINCIPAL OFFICE.

The complete address of the Limited Liability Company's principal office is:

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038

Article 4. MANAGEMENT.

The Limited Liability Company will be Member Managed.

Article 5. MEMBERS.

The name and address information of each person who is a member of the Limited Liability Company at time of formation is as follows:

Terry Ballantini

Phyllis Ballantini

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198

Fishers, Indiana 46038

Fishers, Indiana 46038

Article 6. EFFECTIVE FILING DATE.

This document is to be effective upon filing.

Article 7. PERIOD OF DURATION.

The latest date at which this Limited Liability Company is to dissolve is December 31, 2070.

Article 8. PURPOSE.

This limited liability company is formed for the following purpose/purposes:

Resale Of Telecommunication Services and any lawful activities under Indiana Law.

This document was executed on the 15th day of Oct. _____ 200

Terry Bakantini, Organizing Member

EXHIBIT B

Evidence of Authority to Transact Business Within the State of South Dakota

State of South Bakota



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Certificate of Authority Limited Liability Company

ORGANIZATIONAL ID #: FL001246

I, JOYCE HAZELTINE, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that duplicate of the Application for a Certificate of Authority of TELLISS, LLC (IN) to transact business in this state duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Limited Liability Company Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the application for certificate of authority.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this April 1, 2002.

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| SECRETARY OF STATE STATE CAPITOL 500 E. CAPITOL AVE. PIERRE, S.D., 57501 (605)773-4845 FAX (605)773-4550 | RECEIVED NUR 20 DECEN SO. SEC. OF SIME O 1 Y |
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| 1. The name of the foreign Kamited Liaberty Company is: | Sec. OF STA |
| 4. The address of its initial designated office in South Dakota is: 117 E. CAPITOL, PIERRE, SD 57501 | |
| 5. The name and street address of its initial agent for service of process in South Dakota is: RONALD D. OLINGER, ESQ., 117 E. CAPITOL, PIERRE, SD 57501 | |
| 6. The date of organization is: 10/18/2001 , and the period of duration is: THROUGH 7. If the company is manager-managed, rather than member-managed, the name and address of each initial man | |
| 8. Whether one or more of the members of the company are to be liable for its debts and obligations under a pro- 47-34A-303 (c). | ovision similar to SDCL |
| The application must be signed by a member if the company is a member-managed company or by a managed company. | ager if its a manager- |

FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

- The application for authority must be accompanied by the first Annual Report.
- One original and one exact or conformed copy must be submitted.
- The application must be accompanied by an original, currently dated Certificate of Good Standing or Existence from the Secretary of State in the state where it is organized.

(Signature and Title)

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SECRETARY OF STATE STATE CAPITOL 500 E. CAPITOL AVR PIERRE, S.D. 57501 (605)773-4845 FAX (605)773-4550

AGREED CONTRIBUTION

Not in excess of \$50,000 \$50,001 to \$100,000

In excess of \$100,000

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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| 1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:TELLISS, LLC | TEUEIV |
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| 2. The state or country under whose law it is organized is: INDIANA | S.D. SEC. OF STA |
| 3. The address of its registered office and the name of its registered agent for service of process RONALD D. OLINGER, ESQ., 117 E. CAPITOL, PIERRE, SD 57501 | |
| | |
| 4. The address of its principal office is: 10142 BROOKS SCHOOL ROAD, SUITE 1 | 98, FISHERS, IN 46038 |
| 5. The names and business addresses of any managers: | |
| 6. The dollar amount of the total agreed contributions to the Limited Liability Company is S | × 5.00 * - (ξ)/Member |
| Date: 3-8-2 (Signature and Title) | (ξ) _{/Member} |
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| * FILING FEE: | |

The maximum amount charged may not exceed sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000.).

FEE \$ 90

\$150

\$150

for first \$100,000 plus \$.50

for each additional \$1,000

EXHIBIT C

Resumes

10104 Brooks School Road Fishers, IN 46038 (317) 250-5335

Career Objective

A responsible, challenging, competitive position in a dynamic communications company that is a leader in its filed.

Personal Objective

Believing that the key to happiness is having dreams and that the key to success is making dreams come true.

Qualifications

- More than fourteen years experience in telecommunications, acquiring reputation as a skilled professional. Motivated to succeed. Respected for organization, product knowledge, creativity, development, with consistent attention to detail.
 Results oriented.
- Reliable and expert liaison between customer, sales representative, support staff and management. Superior communicator. Enthusiastic people person, committed to excellence and customer satisfaction. Professional attitude and appearance.

Experience

Telliss, LLC (Fishers, IN)

President/CEO (2002—present)

Telliss was created late in 2001 by Terry Ballantini & Phyllis Ballantini to fill a void in providing quality telecommunication services at the absolute best pricing for residential, business and wholesale customers. Duties include, but not limited to, presiding at all meetings of the shareholders and the Board of Directors, direct the policies and management of the company.

American Telecommunication Services Inc. (Fishers, IN)

President & Managing Partner (1995—Dec. 2001)

ATS was formed early in 1995 by T. Ballantini & P. Ballantini to create and sustain a profitable long distance concern. Marketing efforts are directed towards affinity type marketing groups such as colleges, airline companies and member based organizations. Duties include, but not limited to, presiding at all meetings of the shareholders and the Board of Directors, direct the policies and management of the company.

Call—1—800 Inc. (Sarasota, FL)

Vice President (1994-1995)

Created and managed a new corporation into a telecommunication resale company. Provided the only telecom experience to management staff. Duties included production set-up, arrangements, brochure design, implantation, quality control, marketing negotiations, and other affairs generating a profitable income for the general partnership of the company.

One Call Communications, Inc. (Carmel, IN)

Director of Sales & Marketing (1991-1994)

Developed and managed the Commercial Agent Program, a company department designed to enlist organizations and individuals from around the country to market long distance services. Created long distance rates, marketing materials and other associated internal forms. Conducted interviews, instructed knowledge based sessions, and hired/managed sales representatives of the direct sales staff. Preformed due sales presentations with new hires. Produced monthly revenue of \$405,000.00 within a short term.

LCI International, Inc. (Qwest) (Indianapolis, IN)

Agent Sales Manager, Asst. Branch Manager, Sales Representative (1988-1991)

Aggressively pursued agent accounts for contractual arrangements, motivated external and internal sales representatives for production levels. Completed duties of branch manager during vacancies. Assisted in training for new employees and vendors. Conducted one—to—one working sessions for personal growth. Maintained goal requirements over 105%.

Education:

American Academy of Dramatic Artes (Pasadena, CA)
Southport High School (Indianapolis IN)

EXHIBIT D

Financial Statement

Telliss, LLC Profit & Loss

January through June 2002

| | Jan - Jun 02 |
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| Income | |
| Calling Cards | 3,458.70 |
| Deposit | 0.050.00 |
| Transfer | 2,850.00 |
| Deposit - Other | 1,121,022.09 |
| Total Deposit | 1,123,872.09 |
| Fees Earned | |
| Callling Card Deposit | 16,338.90 |
| Customer Payments | 86,371.14 |
| Fees Earned - Other | 805.30 |
| Total Fees Earned | 103,515.34 |
| Total Income | 1,230,846.13 |
| Cost of Goods Sold | |
| Calling Cards-J R Telecom | 8,023.51 |
| Pay Phone Commission | 1,754.43 |
| Total COGS | 9,777.94 |
| Gross Profit | 1,221,068.19 |
| Expense | |
| Advertising | 15,476.70 |
| Agent Commision AUTO | 425.85 |
| Fuel | 351.04 |
| Repair & Maintenance | 500.00 |
| Total AUTO | 851.04 |
| Total AUTO | 051.04 |
| Bank Service Charges | |
| American Express | 122.03 |
| Discover Settlement | 70.95 |
| Merchant Services Debit | 147.18 |
| Wire Transfer Fee | 120.00 |
| Bank Service Charges - Other | 30.68 |
| Total Bank Service Charges | 490.84 |
| Computer Expense | |
| Computer Repair - Network | 693.75 |
| Internet | 1,279.05 |
| Maintenance | 28,936.89 |
| Software | 499.26 |
| Computer Expense - Other | 355.45 |
| Total Computer Expense | 31,764.40 |
| Credit Bureau Reports | 364.80 |
| Donations | 4,108.45 |
| Dues and Subscriptions | |
| Columbia Club | 983.15 |

Telliss, LLC Profit & Loss

January through June 2002

| | Jan - Jun 02 |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|
| Publications | 2,218.58 |
| Dues and Subscriptions - Other | 26,078.10 |
| Total Dues and Subscriptions | 29,279.83 |
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| Freight | 1,027.74 |
| Global Crossing | 804,011.83 |
| Insurance | |
| Automobile Insurance | 1,025.91 |
| Health Insurance | 2,499.62 |
| Life Insurance | 1,106.44 |
| Medical Bill | 0.00 |
| Insurance - Other | 607.30 |
| Total Insurance | 5,239.27 |
| LOANS | |
| Loan to Officer - TB | 0.00 |
| Total LOANS | 0.00 |
| | |
| Meals & Entertainment | |
| Entertainment | 3,406.41 |
| Meals | 1,851.42 |
| Total Meals & Entertainment | 5,257.83 |
| Miscellaneous Expense | |
| Cigars | 389.25 |
| Palm Pilot | 92.46 |
| Miscellaneous Expense - Other | 26,401.79 |
| Total Miscellaneous Expense | 26,883.50 |
| Office Expense | 190.00 |
| Office Supplies | 35,223.18 |
| PAYROLL | |
| Commissions | 14,802.70 |
| Payroll - Service Fee | 1,197.33 |
| Payroll - Retirement Expenses | 761.48 |
| Payroll - Taxes | 39,942.09 |
| Salaries & Wages | 84,592.60 |
| Total PAYROLL | 141,296.20 |
| Postage | 1,695.30 |
| Printing | 677.90 |
| Professional Fees | |
| Accounting | 6,625.00 |
| Legal Fees | 29,976.93 |
| Professional Fees - Other | 2,595.00 |
| Total Professional Fees | 39,196.93 |
| REIMBURSEMENT | A 507 A0 |
| Rent | 4,527.42 7,250.91 |
| Repairs | 1,200.31 |
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Telliss, LLC Profit & Loss

January through June 2002

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| Office Repairs | 135.00 |
| Total Repairs | 135.00 |
| TAXES | |
| Property | 671.78 |
| Total TAXES | 671.78 |
| Telephone | 10,590.74 |
| Transfer Accounts | 30,000.00 |
| Travel | |
| Flight Lessons | 2,994.22 |
| Parking | 62.00 |
| Travel - Other | 2,371.28 |
| Total Travel | 5,427.50 |
| Total Expense | 1,202,064.94 |
| Net Income | 19,003.25 |

Telliss, LLC Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2002

| | Jun 30, 02 |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| ASSETS | |
| Current Assets | |
| Checking/Savings | |
| Checking | 50,683.38 |
| Total Checking/Savings | 50,683.38 |
| Accounts Receivable | |
| Accounts Receivable | 3,458.70 |
| Total Accounts Receivable | 3,458.70 |
| Total Current Assets | 54,142.08 |
| Fixed Assets | |
| Dell Computer System | 3,415.98 |
| Konica 7821 Color Printer | 3,150.00 |
| Telephone System | 3,979.42 |
| Total Fixed Assets | 10,545.40 |
| Other Assets | |
| Loan to Terry Ballantini | 18,000.00 |
| Total Other Assets | 18,000.00 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | 82,687.48 |
| LIABILITIES & EQUITY | |
| Liabilities | |
| Current Liabilities | |
| Accounts Payable | |
| Accounts Payable | 12,078.94 |
| Total Accounts Payable | 12,078.94 |
| Total Current Liabilities | 12,078.94 |
| Total Liabilities | 12,078.94 |
| Equity | |
| American Telecom Services | -127,090.00 |
| Distribution for Harbour Tan | -6,563.03 |
| Member Draw | |
| Phyllis Ballantini | -125.20 |
| Terry Ballantini | -11,393.30 |
| Total Member Draw | -11,518.50 |
| Retained Earnings | 196,776.82 |
| Net Income | 19,003.25 |
| Total Equity | 70,608.54 |
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Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2002

Jun 30, 02

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY

82,687.48

EXHIBIT E

Proposed Tariff

SOUTH DAKOTA TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

This Tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service and facilities for telecommunications services within the State of South Dakota by Telliss, LLC ("Company"). This Tariff is on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, and copies may also be inspected, during normal business hours, at the following location: 10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198, Fishers, Indiana, 46038.

Issued:

Effective:

Issued by:

Terry Ballantini, Member/President

Telliss, LLC

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198

CHECK SHEET

The title page and pages 1-39 inclusive of this Tariff are effective as of the date shown. Original and revised sheets, as named below, comprise all changes from the original Tariff in effect on the date indicated.

| <u>SHEET</u> | REVISION | SHEET | REVISION |
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| 21 | Original | | |

^{*} New or Revised Sheets

Issued:

Effective:

Issued by:

Terry Ballantini, Member/President

Telliss, LLC

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198

CONCURRING, CONNECTING AND OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS

CONCURRING CARRIERS:

No Concurring Carriers

CONNECTING CARRIERS:

No Connecting Carriers

OTHER PARTICIPATING CARRIERS:

No Participating Carriers

Issued:

Effective:

Issued by:

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APPLICABILITY

This Tariff contains the Service offerings, rates, terms and conditions applicable to the furnishing of intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within the State of South Dakota by Telliss, LLC ("Company").

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

- (D) To signify discontinued material
- (I) To signify a rate or charge increase
- (M) To signify material relocated without change in text or rate
- (N) To signify new material
- (R) To signify a reduction
- (T) To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation

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1. TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

For the purpose of this Tariff, the following definitions will apply:

Access Coordination

Provides for the design, ordering, installation, coordination, pre-service testing, service turn-up and maintenance on a Company or Customer provided Local Access Channel.

Administrative Change

A change in Customer billing address or contact name.

Alternate Access

Alternate Access is a form of Local Access except that the provider of the Service is an entity, other than the Local Exchange Carrier, authorized or permitted to provide such Service. The charges for Alternate Access may be subject to private agreement rather than published or special tariff if permitted by applicable governmental rules.

Application for Service

A standard Company order form which includes all pertinent billing, technical and other descriptive information which will enable the Company to provide a communication Service as required.

ASR

ASR (Access Service Request) means an order placed with a Local Access Provider for Local Access.

Authorized User

A person, firm, corporation or other entity that either is authorized by the Customer to receive or send communications or is placed in a position by the Customer, either through acts or omissions, to send or receive communications.

Bandwidth

The total frequency band, in hertz, allocated for a channel.

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Bill Date

The date on which billing information is compiled and sent to the Customer.

Call

A completed connection between the Calling and Called Stations.

Called Station

The telephone number called.

Calling Station

The telephone number from which a Call originates.

Cancellation of Order

A Customer initiated request to discontinue processing a Service order, either in part or in its entirety, prior to its completion. Cancellation charges will be assessed for each Circuit-end or Dedicated Access line canceled from an order prior to its completion by the Company, under the following circumstances: (1) if the LEC has confirmed in writing to the Company that the Circuit-end or Dedicated Access line will be installed; or (2) if the Company has already submitted facilities orders to an interconnecting telephone company.

Channel or Circuit

A dedicated communications path between two or more points having a Bandwidth or Transmission Speed specified in this Tariff and selected by a Customer.

Commission

South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

Company

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Company Recognized National Holidays

The following are Company Recognized National Holidays determined at the location of the originator of the Call: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, President's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day.

The evening rate is used unless a lower rate would normally apply. When a Call begins in one rate period and ends in another, the rate in effect in each rate period applies to the portion of the Call occurring within that rate period. In the event that a minute is split between two rate periods, the rate in effect at the start of that minute applies.

Customer

The person, firm, corporation or governmental unit which orders Service and which is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's Tariff regulations. A Customer is considered to be an account for billing purposes. The term Customer also includes an entity that remains presubscribed to the Company Service after its account(s) are removed from the Company's billing system, subsequently continues to use Company's network, and is billed by a local exchange carrier for such use, or otherwise uses Service for which no other Customer is obligated to compensate Company.

Customer Premises/Customer's Premises

Locations designated by a Customer where Service is originated/terminated whether for its own communications needs or for the use of its resale customers.

DCS

DCS means Digital Cross-Connect System.

Dedicated Access/Special Access

Dedicated Local Access between the Customer's Premises or serving wire center and the Company's Point-of-Presence for origination or termination of Calls.

DS-0

DS-0 means Digital Signal Level 0 Service and is a 64 Kbps signal.

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DS-1

DS-1 means Digital Signal Level 1 Service and is a 1.544 Mbps signal.

DS-0 with VF Access

DS-0 Service with VF Local Access facilities provides for the transmission of analog voice and/or data within 300 Hz to 3000 Hz frequency range.

DS-0 with DDS Access

DS-0 Service with DDS Access facilities provides for the transmission of digital data at speeds 2.4, 4.8, 9.6 or 56 Kbps.

Due Date

The Due Date is the date on which payment is due.

Expedite

A Service order initiated at the request of the Customer that is processed in a time period shorter than the Company's standard Service interval.

FCC

Federal Communications Commission

Individual Case Basis (ICB)

Individual Case Basis (ICB) determinations involve situations where complex Customer-specific Company arrangements are required to satisfactorily serve the Customer. The nature of such Service requirements makes it difficult or impossible to establish general tariff provisions for such circumstances. When it becomes possible to determine specific terms and conditions for such offerings, they will be offered pursuant to such terms and conditions.

Installation

The connection of a Circuit, Dedicated Access line, or port for new, changed or an additional Service.

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Interexchange Service

Interexchange Service means that portion of a communications channel between a Company-designated Point-of-Presence in one exchange and a Point-of-Presence in another exchange.

Interruption

Interruption shall mean a condition whereby the Service or a portion thereof is inoperative, beginning at the time of notice by the Customer to Company that such Service is inoperative and ending at the time of restoration.

Kbps

Kilobits per second.

LATA (Local Access Transport Area)

A geographical area established for the provision and administration of communications Service of a local exchange company.

Local Access

Local Access means the Service between a Customer Premises and a Company designated Point-of-Presence.

Local Access Provider

Local Access Provider means an entity providing Local Access.

Local Exchange Carrier (LEC)

The local telephone utility that provides telephone exchange services.

<u>Mbps</u>

Megabits per second.

Multiplexing

Multiplexing is the sequential combining of lower bit rate Private Line Services onto a higher bit rate Private Line Service for more efficient facility capacity usage or vice versa.

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N/A

Not available.

Nonrecurring Charges

Nonrecurring Charges are one-time charges.

Payment Method

The manner which the Customer designates as the means of billing charges for Calls using the Company's Service.

Physical Change

The modification of an existing Circuit, Dedicated Access line or port, at the request of the Customer, requiring some Physical Change or retermination.

Point-of-Presence (POP)

A Company-designated location where a facility is maintained for the purpose of providing access to its Service.

Primary Route

The route which, in the absence of Customer-designated routing or temporary re-routing, would be used by the Company in the provision of Service.

Private Line

A dedicated transmission channel furnished to a customer without intermediate switching arrangements for full-time customer use.

Private Line Service

A dedicated full-time transmission Service utilizing dedicated access arrangements.

Rate Center

A specified geographical location used for determining mileage measurements.

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Requested Service Date

The Requested Service Date is the date requested by the Customer for commencement of Service and agreed to by the Company.

Restore

To make Service operative following an interruption by repair, reassignment, re-routing, substitution of component parts, or otherwise, as determined by the carrier(s) involved.

Route Diversity

Two channels which are furnished partially or entirely over two physically separate routes.

Service

Service means any or all Service(s) provided pursuant to this Tariff.

Service Commitment Period

The term elected by the Customer and stated on the Service order during which the Company will provide the Services subscribed to by the Customer. The term can be monthly or in the case of Private Line Services for a period of up to 5 years.

Special Promotional Offerings

Special trial offerings, discounts, or modifications of its regular Service offerings which the Company may, from time to time, offer to its Customers for a particular Service. Such offerings may be limited to certain dates, times, and locations.

Start of Service Date

The Requested Service Date or the date Service first is made available by the Company whichever is later.

Tariff

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Transmission Speed

Data transmission speed or rate, in bits per seconds (bps).

Two-Way Conversation

A Two-Way Conversation is a telephone conversation between or among two or more parties.

<u>VF</u>

VF is voice frequency or voice-grade Service designed for private-line Service. Normal transmission is in the 300 hertz to 3000 hertz frequency band.

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2. <u>RULES AND REGULATIONS</u>

- 2.1. <u>Description and Limitations of Services</u>
- 2.1.1. Intrastate Telecommunications Service ("Service") is the furnishing of Company communication Services contained herein between specified locations under the terms of this Tariff.
- 2.1.2. Any member of the general public (including any natural person or legally organized entity such as a corporation, partnership, or governmental body) is entitled to obtain Service under this Tariff, provided that the Company reserves the right to deny Service: (A) to any Customer that, in the Company's reasonable opinion, presents an undue risk of nonpayment, (B) in circumstances in which the Company has reason to believe that the use of the Service would violate the provisions of this Tariff or any applicable law or if any applicable law restricts or prohibits provision of the Service, or (C) if insufficient facilities are available to provide the Service (in such cases Company shall make best efforts to accommodate the needs of all potential Customers by means of facility improvements or purchases, of capacity, if such efforts will, in the Company's opinion, provide the Company with a reasonable return on its expenditures), but only for so long as such unavailability exists.
- 2.1.3. Company, when acting at the Customer's request and as its authorized agent, will make reasonable efforts to arrange for Service requirements, such as special routing, Diversity, Alternate Access, or circuit conditioning.
- 2.1.4. Service is offered in equal access exchanges subject to the availability of facilities and the provisions of this Tariff. Company reserves the right to refuse to provide Service to or from any location where the necessary facilities and/or equipment are not available.
- 2.1.5. Service may be discontinued after five business days written notice to the Customer if:
 - 2.1.5.A. the Customer is using the Service in violation of this Tariff; or
 - 2.1.5.B. the Customer is using the Service in violation of the law or Commission regulation.
- 2.1.6. Service begins on the date that billing becomes effective and is provided on the basis of a minimum period of at least one month, 24 hours per day. For the purposes of computing charges in this Tariff, a month is considered to have 30 days.
- 2.1.7. Service will be provided until canceled, by the Customer on not less than thirty (30) days' written notice from the date of postmark on the letter giving notice of cancellation.

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- 2.1.8. Nothing herein, or in any other provision of this Tariff, or in any marketing materials issued by the Company shall give any person any ownership, interest, or proprietary right in any code or 800 number issued by the Company to its Customers.
- 2.1.9. The Company reserves the right to discontinue furnishing Services or billing options, upon written notice, when necessitated by conditions beyond its control. Conditions beyond the Company's control include, but are not limited to, a Customer's having Call volume or a calling pattern that results, or may result, in network blockage or other Service degradation which adversely affects Service to the calling party, the Customer, or other Customers of the Company.
- 2.1.10. Except as otherwise provided in this Tariff or as specified in writing by the party entitled to receive Service, notice may be given orally or in writing to the persons whose names and business addresses appear on the executed Service order and the effective date of any notice shall be the date of delivery of such notice, not the date of mailing. By written notice, Company or Customer may change the party to receive notice and/or the address to which such notice is to be delivered. In the event no Customer or Company address is provided in the executed Service order, notice shall be given to the last known business address of Customer or, as appropriate.

2.2. Other Terms and Conditions

- 2.2.1. The name(s) of the Customer(s) desiring to use the Service must be stipulated in the Application for Service.
- 2.2.2. The Customer agrees to operate the Company provided equipment in accordance with instructions of the Company or the Company's agent. Failure to do so will void the Company liability for interruption of Service and may make Customer responsible for damage to equipment pursuant to Section 2.2.3 below.
- 2.2.3. Customer agrees to return to the Company all Company-provided equipment delivered to Customer within five (5) days of termination of the Service in connection with which the equipment was used. Said equipment shall be in the same condition as when delivered to Customer, normal wear and tear only excepted. Customer shall reimburse the Company, upon demand, for any costs incurred by the Company due to Customer's failure to comply with this provision.
- 2.2.4. A Customer shall not use any service-mark or trademark of the Company or refer to the Company in connection with any product, equipment, promotion, or publication of the Customer without prior written approval of the Company.

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- 2.2.5. In the event suit is brought or any attorney is retained by the Company to enforce the terms of this Tariff, the Company shall be entitled to recover, in addition to any other remedy, reimbursement for reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, costs of investigation and other related expenses incurred in connection therewith.
- 2.2.6. The provision of Service will not create a partnership or joint venture between the Company and the Customer nor result in joint Service offerings to their respective Customers.
- 2.2.7. The rate or volume discount level applicable to a Customer for a particular Service or Services shall be the rate or volume discount level in effect at the beginning of the monthly billing period applicable to the Customer for the particular Service or Services. When a Service is subject to a minimum monthly charge, account charge, port charge or other recurring charge or Nonrecurring Charge for both intrastate and interstate Service, only one such charge shall apply per account and that charge shall be the interstate charge.
- 2.2.8. Service requested by Customer and to be provided pursuant to this Tariff shall be requested on Company Service Order forms in effect from time to time or Customer's forms accepted in writing by an authorized headquarters representative of the Company (collectively referred to as "Service Orders").
- 2.2.9. If an entity other than the company (e.g., another carrier or a supplier) imposes charges on the Company in connection with a Service that entity's charges will be passed through to the Customer also.
- 2.2.10. The Service Commitment Period for any Service shall be established by the Service Order relevant thereto and commence on the Start of Service Date. Upon expiration, each Service Commitment Period for such Service shall automatically be extended subject to written notice of termination by either Company or Customer as of a date not less than thirty (30) days after delivery of said notice to the other. The charges for Interexchange Service during any such extension shall not exceed the then current Company month-to-month charges applicable to such Service.

2.3. Liability

2.3.1. Except as provided otherwise in this Tariff, the Company shall not be liable to Customer or any other person, firm or entity for any failure of performance hereunder if such failure is due to any cause or causes beyond the reasonable control of the Company. Such causes shall include, without limitation, acts of God, fire, explosion, vandalism, cable cut, storm or other similar occurrence, any law, order, regulation, direction, action or request of the United States government or of any other government or of any civil or military authority, national emergencies, insurrections, riots, wars, strikes, lockouts or work stoppages or other labor difficulties, supplier failures, shortages, breaches or delays, or preemption of existing Services to restore service in compliance with Part 64, Subpart D, Appendix A, of the FCC's Rules and Regulations.

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- 2.3.2. The Company is not liable for any act or omission of any other company or companies (including any Company affiliate that is a participating or concurring carrier) furnishing a portion of the Service or facilities, equipment, or Services associated with such Service.
- 2.3.3. The Customer is responsible for taking all necessary legal steps for interconnecting the Customer provided terminal equipment with the Company facilities. The Customer shall ensure that the signals emitted into the Company's network do not damage Company equipment, injure personnel or degrade Service to other Customers. The Customer is responsible for securing all licenses, permits, rights-of-way, and other arrangements necessary for such interconnection. In addition, the customer shall comply with applicable LEC signal power limitations.
- 2.3.4. The Company may rely on Local Exchange Carriers or other third parties for the performance of other Services such as Local Access. Upon Customer request and execution and delivery of appropriate authorizing documents, the Company may act as agent for Customer in obtaining such other Services. Customer's liability for charges hereunder shall not be reduced by untimely Installation or non-operation of Customer provided facilities and equipment.
- 2.3.5. The failure to give notice of default, to enforce or insist upon compliance with any of the terms or conditions herein, the waiver of any term or conditions herein, or the granting of an extension of time for performance by the Company or the Customer shall not constitute the permanent waiver of any term or condition herein. Each of the provisions shall remain at all time in full force and effect until modified in writing.
- 2.3.6. In the event parties other than Customer (e.g., Customer's customers) shall have use of the Service directly or indirectly through Customer, then Customer agrees to forever indemnify and hold Company and any affiliated or unaffiliated third-party, third-party provider or operator of facilities employed in provision of the Service harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, suits, actions, losses, damages, assessments or payments which may be asserted by said parties arising out of or relating to any Defects.
- 2.3.7. In the event that Company is required to perform a Circuit redesign due to inaccurate information provided by the Customer; or, circumstances in which such costs and expenses are caused by the Customer or reasonably incurred by the Company for the benefit of the Customer, the Customer is responsible for the payment of all such charges.

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2.4. Cancellation of Service by a Customer

- 2.4.1. If a Customer cancels a Service Order before the Service begins, before completion of the Minimum Period, or before completion of some other period mutually agreed upon by the Customer and the Company, a charge will be levied upon the Customer for the nonrecoverable portions of expenditures or liabilities incurred expressly on behalf of the Customer by the Company and not fully reimbursed by Installation and monthly charges. If, based on a Service order by a Customer, any construction has either begun or been completed, but no Services provided, the nonrecoverable costs of such construction shall be borne by the Customer.
- 2.4.2. Upon thirty (30) days' prior written notice, either Customer or Company shall have the right, without cancellation charge or other liability, to cancel the affected portion of the Service, if the Company is prohibited by governmental authority from furnishing said portion, or if any material rate or term contained herein and relevant to the affected Service is substantially changed by order of the highest court of competent jurisdiction to which the matter is appeal, the Federal Communications Commission, or other local, state or federal government authority.
- 2.5. Cancellation for Cause by the Company
- 2.5.1. Upon nonpayment of any sum owing to the Company, or upon a violation of any of the provisions governing the furnishing of Service under this Tariff, the Company may, upon five business days written notification to the Customer, except in extreme cases, without incurring any liability, immediately discontinue the furnishing of such Service. The written notice may be separate and apart from the regular monthly bill for service. Customer shall be deemed to have canceled Service as of the date of such disconnection and shall be liable for any cancellation charges set forth in this Tariff.
- 2.5.2. Without incurring any liability, the Company may discontinue the furnishing of Service(s) to a Customer upon five business days written notice if the Company deems that such action is necessary to prevent or to protect against fraud or to otherwise protect its personnel, agents, facilities or Services under the following circumstances, except under extreme cases where the customer may be disconnected immediately and without notice:
 - 2.5.2.A. if the Customer refuses to furnish information to the Company regarding the Customer's credit-worthiness, its past or current use of common carrier communications Services or its planned use of Service(s);
 - 2.5.2.B. if the Customer provides false information to the Company regarding the Customer's identity, address, credit-worthiness, past or current use of Customer communications Services, or its planned use of the Company Service(s);

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- 2.5.2.C. if the Customer states that it will not comply with a request of the Company for reasonable security for the payment for Service(s);
- 2.5.2.D. if the Customer has been given five business days written notice in a separate mailing by the Company of any past due amount (which remains unpaid in whole or in part) for any of the Company's communications Services to which the Customer either subscribes or had subscribed or used;
- 2.5.2.E. in the event of unauthorized use.
- 2.5.2.F. Following the disconnection of service for any of these reasons, the Company or the local exchange utility acting as Company agent, will notify the telephone user/customer that service was disconnected and why. The notice will include all reasons for the disconnection and will include a toll-free number where an end user/customer can obtain additional information. Notice shall be deemed given upon deposit, postage prepaid, in the U.S. Mail to the end user's/customer's last known address and in compliance with the Commission's rules.
- 2.5.3. The discontinuance of Service(s) by the Company pursuant to this Section does not relieve the Customer of any obligations to pay the Company for charges due and owing for Service(s) furnished up to the time of discontinuance. The remedies set forth herein shall not be exclusive and the Company shall at all times be entitled to all rights available to it under either law or equity.

2.6. Credit Allowance

- 2.6.1. Credit allowance for the interruption of Service is subject to the general liability provisions set forth in this Tariff. Customers shall receive no credit allowance for the interruption of service which is due to the Company's testing or adjusting, negligence of the Customer, or to the failure of channels or equipment provided by the Customer. The Customer should notify the Company when the Customer is aware of any interruption in Service for which a credit allowance is desired. Before giving such notice, the Customer shall ascertain that the trouble is not being caused by any action or omission within Customer's control, or is not in wiring or equipment, if any, furnished by the Customer in connection with the Company's Services.
- 2.6.2. No credit is allowed in the event service must be interrupted in order to provide routine service quality or related investigations.

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- 2.6.3. No credit shall be allowed:
 - 2.6.3.A. For failure of services or facilities of Customer; or
 - 2.6.3.B. For failure of services or equipment caused by the negligence or willful acts of Customer.
- 2.6.4. Credit for an interruption shall commence after Customer notifies Company of the interruption and ceases when services have been restored.
- 2.6.5. Credits are applicable only to that portion of Service interrupted.
- 2.6.6. For purposes of credit computation, every month shall be considered to have 720 hours.
- 2.6.7. No credit shall be allowed for an interruption of a continuous duration of less than two hours.
- 2.6.8. The Customer shall be credited for an interruption of two hours or more at a rate of 1/720th of the monthly recurring charge for the service affected for each hour or major fraction thereof that the interruption continues. Calculations of the credit shall be made in accordance with the following formula.

Credit Formula:

Credit =
$$\frac{A}{720}$$
 x B

"A" = outage time in hours

"B" = total monthly charge for affected facility

2.7. Use of Service

2.7.1 The Services offered herein may be used for any lawful purpose, including residential, business, governmental, or other use. There are no restrictions on sharing or resale of Services. However, the Customer remains liable for all obligations under this Tariff notwithstanding such sharing or resale and regardless of the Company's knowledge of same. The Company shall have no liability to any person or entity other than the Customer and only as set forth in Section 2.3. The Customer shall not use nor permit others to use the Service in a manner that could interfere with Services provided to others or that could harm the facilities of the Company or others.

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- 2.7.2. Service furnished by the Company may be arranged for joint use or authorized use. The joint user or Authorized User shall be permitted to use such Service in the same manner as the Customer, but subject to the following:
 - 2.7.2.A. One joint user or Authorized User must be designated as the Customer.
 - 2.7.2.B. All charges for the Service will be computed as if the Service were to be billed to one Customer. The joint user or Authorized User which has been designated as the Customer will be billed for all components of the Service and will be responsible for all payments to the Company. In the event that the designated Customer fails to pay the Company, each joint user or Authorized User shall be liable to the Company for all charges incurred as a result of its use of the Company's Service.
- 2.7.3. In addition to the other provisions in this Tariff, Customers reselling Company Services shall be responsible for all interaction and interface with their own subscribers or customers. The provision of the Service will not create a partnership or joint venture between Company and Customer nor result in a joint communications Service offering to the Customers of either the Company or the Customer.
- 2.7.4. Service furnished by the Company shall not be used for any unlawful or fraudulent purposes.
- 2.7.5. The Customer will be billed directly by the LEC for certain Dedicated Access arrangements selected by the Customer for the provisioning of direct access arrangements. In those instances where the Company at the Customer's request may act as agent in the ordering of such arrangements, the Company will bill the Customer Local Access charges.
- 2.8. Payment Arrangements
- 2.8.1. The Customer is responsible for payment of all charges for Services furnished to the Customer or its joint or Authorized Users. This responsibility is not changed due to any use, misuse, or abuse of the Customer's Service or Customer provided equipment by third parties, the Customer's employees, or the public.
- 2.8.2. The Company's bills are due upon receipt. Amounts not paid within 30 days from the Bill Date of the invoice will be considered past due. Customers will be assessed a late fee on past due amounts in the amount not to exceed the maximum lawful rate under applicable state law. If a Customer presents an undue risk of nonpayment at any time, the Company may require that Customer to pay its bills within a specified number of days and to make such payments in cash or the equivalent of cash.

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- 2.8.3. In determining whether a Customer presents an undue risk of nonpayment, the Company shall consider the following factors: (A) the Customer's payment history (if any) with the Company and its affiliates, (B) Customer's ability to demonstrate adequate ability to pay for the Service, (C) credit and related information provided by Customer, lawfully obtained from third parties or publicly available, and (D) information relating to Customer's management, owners and affiliates (if any).
- 2.8.4. Disputes with respect to charges must be presented to the Company in writing within 180 days from the date the invoice is rendered or such invoice will be deemed to be correct and binding on the Customer.
- 2.8.5. If a LEC has established or establishes a Special Access surcharge, the Company will bill the surcharge beginning on the effective date of such surcharge for Special Access arrangements presently in Service. The Company will cease billing the Special Access surcharge upon receipt of an Exemption Certificate or if the surcharge is removed by the LEC.
- 2.8.6. In the event the Company incurs fees or expenses, including attorney's fees, in collecting, or attempting to collect, any charges owed the Company, the Customer will be liable to the Company for the payment of all such fees and expenses reasonably incurred.
- 2.8.7. Company will not require deposits or advance payments by Customers for Services.
- 2.9. Assignment
- 2.9.1. The obligations set forth in this Tariff shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors or assigns, provided, however, the Customer shall not assign or transfer its rights or obligations without the prior written consent of the Company.
- 2.10. Tax and Fee Adjustments
- 2.10.1. All state and local taxes (i.e., gross receipts tax, sales tax, municipal utilities tax) are listed as separate line items and are not included in the quoted rates.
- 2.10.2. If at any future time a municipality acquires the legal right to impose an occupation tax, license tax, permit fee, franchise fee or other similar charge upon the Carrier, and imposes the same by ordinance or otherwise, such taxes, fees or charges shall be billed to the end users receiving service within the territorial limits of such municipality. Such billing shall allocate the tax, fee or charge among end users uniformly on the basis of each end user's monthly charges for the types of service made subject to such tax, fee or charge.

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- 2.10.3. If at any future time a county or other local taxing authority acquires the legal right to impose an occupation tax, license tax, permit fee, franchise fee or other similar charge upon the Carrier, and imposes the same by ordinance or otherwise, such taxes, fees or charges shall be billed to the end users receiving service within the territorial limits of such county or other taxing authority. Such billing shall allocate the tax, fee or charge among end users uniformly on the basis of each end user's monthly charges for the types of service made subject to such tax, fee or charge.
- 2.10.4. When utility or telecommunications assessments, franchise fees, or privilege, license, occupational, excise, or other similar taxes or fees, based on interstate or intrastate receipts are imposed by certain taxing jurisdictions upon the Company or upon local exchange companies and passed on to the Company through or with interstate or intrastate access charges, the amounts of such taxes or fees will be billed to Customers in such a taxing jurisdiction on a prorated basis. The amount of charge that is prorated to each Customer's bill is determined by the interstate or intrastate telecommunications service provided to and billed to an end user/customer service location in such a taxing jurisdiction with the aggregate of such charges equal to the amount of the tax or fee imposed upon or passed on to the Company.
- 2.10.5. When any municipality, or other political subdivision, local agency of government, or department of public utilities imposes upon and collects from the Company a gross receipts tax, occupation tax, license tax, permit fee, franchise fee or regulatory fee, such taxes and fees shall, insofar as practicable, be billed pro rata to the Company's Customers receiving service within the territorial limits of such municipality, other political subdivision, local agency of government, or public utility commission.
- 2.10.6. The Company may adjust its rates and charges or impose additional rates and charges on its Customers in order to recover amount it is required by governmental or quasi-government authorities to collect from or pay to others in support of statutory or regulatory programs. Examples of such programs include, but are not limited to, the Universal Service Fund, the Primary Interexchange Carrier Charge, and compensation to payphone service providers for use of their payphones to access the Company's services.
- 2.11. Method for Calculation of Airline Mileage
- 2.11.1. The airline mileage between two cities can be calculated using the Vertical (V) and Horizontal (H) coordinates of the serving wire centers associated with the Company's POP locations. The method for calculating the airline mileage is obtained by reference to AT&T's Tariff F.C.C. No. 10 in accordance with the following formula:

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$$\frac{(V1-V2)^2 + (H1-H2)^2}{10}$$

where V1 and H1 correspond to the V&H coordinates of City 1 and V2 and H2 correspond to the V&H coordinates of City 2.

Example:

| | <u>V</u> | <u>_H_</u> |
|--------|----------|------------|
| City 1 | 5004 | 1406 |
| City 2 | 5987 | 3424 |

the square root of:

$$\frac{(5004-5987)^2+(1406-3424)^2}{10}$$

The result is 709.83 miles. Any fractional miles are rounded to the next higher whole number; therefore, the airline mileage for this example is 710 miles.

2.12. Time of Day Rate Periods

2.12.1. Time of Day Rate Periods are determined by the time of day at the location of the Calling Station.

The rates shown in Section 4 apply as follows:

DAY:

From 8:01 AM to 5:00 PM Monday - Friday

EVENING:

From 5:01 PM to 11:00 PM Monday - Friday and Sunday

NIGHT/

WEEKEND:

From 11:01 PM to 8:00 AM Everyday From 8:01 AM to 11:00 PM Saturday From 8:01 AM to 5:00 PM Sunday

2.13. Special Customer Arrangements

2.13.1. In cases where a Customer requests a special or unique arrangement which may include engineering, conditioning, Installation, construction, facilities, assembly, purchase or lease of facilities and/or other special Services not offered under this Tariff, the Company, at this option, may provide the requested Services. Appropriate recurring charges and/or Nonrecurring Charges and other terms and conditions will be developed for the Customer for the provisioning of such arrangements.

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- 2.14. Inspection
- 2.14.1. The Company may, upon notice, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the requirements of this Tariff are being complied with in the Installation, operation or maintenance of Customer or the Company equipment. The Company may interrupt the Service at any time, without penalty to the Company, should Customer violate any provision herein.
- 2.15. Customer Inquires and Complaints
- 2.15.1. Customers may direct inquiries and complaints to the Company or the Commission by using the address and toll free number set forth below:

Telliss, LLC 10142 Brook's School Road Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038 (866) 835-5477 South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501 (800) 332-1782

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3. DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES

- 3.1. Wide Area ("WATS") and Message ("MTS") Toll Services
- 3.1.1. The Company offers WATS and MTS intrastate interexchange long distance service utilizing switched or dedicated access arrangements between the Customers Premises and the Company's facilities for call origination. Call termination is completed through a combination of Company facilities and LEC switched access arrangements.
- 3.2. Switched Inbound Service
- 3.2.1. Switched inbound service permits inward calling (via 800 codes) to a specific location utilizing premium switched, Feature Group D access on both ends.
- 3.3. Switched Outbound Service
- 3.3.1. Switched outbound services permits outward calling utilizing premium switched Feature Group D access on both the originating and terminating ends.
- 3.4. <u>Dedicated Inbound Service</u>
- 3.4.1. Dedicated inbound service permits inward calling (via 800 codes) to a specific location featuring the use of a dedicated, special access type connection on the terminating end. The Customer shall be responsible for all LEC charges in addition to the Recurring, Non-recurring and Usage charges set forth hereinafter.
- 3.5. Dedicated Outbound Service
- 3.5.1. Dedicated outbound service permits outward calling to stations in diverse service areas. Dedicated outbound service is distinguished from other services by the existence of a dedicated, special access connection on one end. The Customer shall be responsible for all LEC charges in addition to the Recurring, Non-recurring and Usage charges set forth hereinafter.
- 3.6. Calling Card Service
- 3.6.1. The Company's Calling Card Service permits Customers to place long distance calls utilizing Company issued Calling Cards for billing purposes.

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3.7. <u>Timing of Calls</u>

- 3.7.1. Long distance usage charges are based on the actual usage of the Company network. Chargeable time begins when a connection is established between the Calling Station and the Called Station. Chargeable time ends when either party "hangs up" thereby releasing the network connection.
- 3.7.2. Unless otherwise specified in this Tariff, the minimum call duration for billing purposes is six (6) seconds. In addition, unless otherwise specified in this Tariff, usage is measured thereafter in six (6) second increments and rounded to the next higher six (6) second period.
- 3.8. Minimum Call Completion Rate
- 3.8.1. A Customer can expect a call completion rate of not less than 90% during peak use periods for all services.

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4. <u>RATES AND CHARGES</u>

- 4.1. <u>Usage Rates</u>
- 4.1.1. The following are the per minute usage charges which apply to all calls. These charges are in addition to the Non-recurring Charges and Recurring Charges referred to herein.

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4.2. Switched Inbound Usage Rates

BUSINESS DAY EVENING/NIGHT/WEEKEND

| Mileage | Initial 30 Seconds | Additional 6 Seconds |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|
| ALL | 0.09465 | 0.01893 |

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4.3. <u>Switched Outbound Usage Rates</u>

BUSINESS DAY EVENING/NIGHT/WEEKEND

| Mileage | Initial 18 Seconds | Additional 6 Seconds |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|
| All | 0.05016 | 0.01672 |

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4.4. <u>Dedicated Inbound Usage Rates</u>

BUSINESS DAY EVENING/NIGHT/WEEKEND

| Mileage | Initial 6 Seconds | Additional 6 Seconds |
|---------|-------------------|----------------------|
| All | 0.01220 | 0.01220 |

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4.5. <u>Dedicated Outbound Usage Rates</u>

BUSINESS DAY EVENING/NIGHT/WEEKEND

| Mileage | Initial 6 Seconds | Additional 6 Seconds |
|---------|-------------------|----------------------|
| ALL | 0.00763 | 0.00763 |

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4.6. Calling Card Usage Rates

BUSINESS DAY EVENING/NIGHT/WEEKEND

| Mileage | Initial 60 Seconds | Additional 6 Seconds |
|---------|--------------------|----------------------|
| ALL | 0.20 | 0.02 |

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- 4.7. Recurring Charges
- 4.7.1. Reserved for future use.
- 4.8. Non-recurring Charges
- 4.8.1. Reserved for future use.
- 4.9. Special Promotional Offering
- 4.9.1. The Company may from time to time engage in Special Promotional Offerings or Trial Service Offerings limited to certain dates, times or locations designed to attract new subscribers or increase subscriber usage when approved by Commission. Company will not have special promotional offerings for more than 90 days in any 12 month period. In all such cases, the rates charged will not exceed those specified in Section 4 hereof.
- 4.10. Emergency Calls
- 4.10.1. Customer shall configure its PBX or other switch vehicle from which a customer places a call so that 911 emergency calls, where available, and similar emergency calls will be automatically routed to the emergency answering point for the geographical location where the call originated without the intervention of Company.

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4.11. Payphone Use Service Charge

4.11.1. A Payphone Use Service Charge applies to each completed interLATA and intraLATA non-sent paid message made over a pay phone owned by a utility or Customer Owned Pay Telephone (COPT) Service. This includes calling card service, collect calls, calls billed to a third number, completed calls to Directory Assistance and Prepaid Card Service calls. This charge is collected on behalf of the pay phone owner. All Customers will pay the Company a per call service charge of \$0.32.

4.12. Universal Connectivity Charge

- 4.12.1. Services provided pursuant to this tariff are subject to an undiscountable monthly Universal Connectivity Charge. This monthly service charge is equal to 11% of the Customer's total net intrastate, interstate and international charges, after application of all applicable discounts and credits.
 - 4.12.1.A. The Company will waive the Universal Connectivity Charge with respect to specifically identified Company charges to the extent that the Customer demonstrates to the Company's reasonable satisfaction that:
 - 1. the Customer has filed a Universal Service Worksheet with the Universal Service Administrator covering the twelfth month prior to the month for which the Customer seeks the waiver;
 - 2. the charges with respect to which the waiver is sought are for services purchased by Customer for resale; and
 - 3. the Customer will file a Universal Service Worksheet with the Universal Service Administrator in which the reported billed revenues will include all billed revenues associated with the Customer's resale of services purchased from the Company.
 - 4.12.1.B. The Universal Connectivity Charge will not be waived with respect to:
 - 1. charges for services purchased by the Customer for its own use as an end user; or
 - 2. charges for which the bill date is on, prior to, or within fifteen days after, the date on which the Customer applies for a waiver with respect to those charges.

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EXHIBIT F

Authorized States

Applicant is currently authorized to provide intrastate telecommunications services within the following states:

Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wisconsin, West Virginia and Wyoming.

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CONSUMER COMPLAINTS

CN02-002

In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Kevin Ohm on behalf of Tyler TV & Appliance, Inc., Brookings, South Dakota, against NorthWestern Energy Regarding Billing.

Complainant's representative states that NorthWestern Energy bills Tyler TV & Appliance, Inc. (Tyler) for service without any explanation. Complainant's representative also feels that the amount of time to pay Tyler's bill after receiving a statement is not adequate thus leaving Complainant with late fees. Complainant's representative requests that Tyler's billing date be changed and that Tyler be given 30 days for Tyler's payment to post, and that an explanation of charges be put on Tyler's monthly bill.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-027

In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Judith McFarland, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, against McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. Regarding Billing, Delay in Disconnect and Poor Customer Service.

Complainant states that on May 8, 2002, she contacted McLeod to cancel her service that day since she had switched her service to a new provider. When Complainant spoke to the McLeod representative, she was told not to pay her bill because it was for service during the upcoming month when she would be with her new provider. When Complainant received another bill from McLeod, Complainant had a 3-way conversation with her new provider and McLeod to clear up the billing problem. The McLeod representative said that the billing would be taken care of. During this conversation, the Complainant requested that a recording be added to her old number announcing what her new number was. When this was added to the line, it took one month for the announcement to be placed on the line and the announcement was giving out an incorrect new phone number. Complainant continued to get billings from McLeod and as of July 24, 2002, the announcement was still giving out an incorrect new phone number. Complainant feels that she should be compensated because of her frustration regarding this matter.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-028

In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Sharon Gray, Vermillion, South Dakota, against UKI Communications, Inc. Regarding Unauthorized Switching of Services.

Complainant states that her service was switched to UKI without proper authorization. Complainant received a copy of the voice recorded authorization from UKI and she was surprised to hear her voice on the recording. She is 100% sure that she did not switch her service to UKI. The Complainant feels the sound quality when the sales person was speaking is of a different sound quality than when she is speaking. She feels that the tape has been spliced together or dubbed onto the portions where she was speaking. When asked to provide Complainant's mother's maiden name, Complainant states that she did not give her mother's maiden name and said "hello." Complainant requests that the company pay her \$1,500.00 for the switch in service or if the matter is not resolved, she would like to have a hearing before the PUC Commissioners and be reimbursed for expenses to come to the hearing.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-029 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Virginia Craw, Pierre, South Dakota, against McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. Regarding Delayed Service and Billing.

Complainant states that in May 2002, she requested phone service from McLeod. McLeod informed her that the service would be connected on June 3, 2002. When service was not connected, McLeod stated that the order was lost and that service would be connected on June 7, 2002. Service was not connected on June 7th. On or about June 10th, McLeod told her that service was connected and that she would have to pay an additional \$95.00 to have the technician connect service to the apartment. Complainant informed McLeod to cancel the service request as she would be changing providers. Complainant received a bill from McLeod and talked to a McLeod representative informing her not to pay the bill and that he would take care of it. Complainant received another bill from McLeod and the charges were not removed. Complainant states that she never had dial tone service with McLeod and the charges should be removed.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-030 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Jeanette Stearns on behalf of Lange & Speidel Bookkeeping & Tax Service, Belle Fourche, South Dakota, against Qwest Corporation Regarding Billing.

Complainant's representative states that after receiving a letter from Qwest offering Lange & Speidel Bookkeping & Tax Service (Lange & Speidel) a CustomChoice package with the area-wide calling plan, Lange & Speidel agreed to the service. Complainant's representative was told that the service would go into effect on November 24, 2000. Complainant never received the free area-wide calling plan and continued to be billed by Quantum Link for its in-state long distance calls. On December 19, 2000, Complainant received a letter from Qwest confirming its order for the Calling Connection Plan. Complainant did not receive the benefits of the Calling Connection Plan. On September 20, 2001, Complainant's representative spoke to Qwest about the billing problems and was told that the Complainant could not have both of the plans offered by Qwest. Complainant's representative attempted to get credit for the over-billing, but Qwest was unwilling to refund the charges. Complainant's representative calculated the over-charges from Qwest and requests that Qwest reimburse Lange & Speidel for all of Qwest billing errors in the amount of \$1,090.47.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-031 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Lyle D. Dabbert on behalf of Brown & Saenger, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, against Qwest Corporation Regarding Billing.

Complainant's representative states that Brown & Saenger was back-billed by Qwest \$8,071.87 for charges dating back to November 1999, for Brown & Saenger's T-1 service. If charges would have been billed monthly, Complainant's representative states that Brown & Saenger would have canceled its service for the T-1. Qwest is also billing Complainant \$125.00 per month as a late payment charge. Complainant's representative requests that the charges be removed from Brown & Saenger's billing because the Complainant would have canceled the billing after one month of service once it became aware of the expense.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

CT02-032 In the Matter of the Complaint filed by Robert A. Fogg, Jr., Martin, South Dakota, against CellularOne Regarding Billing.

Complainant states that he is being double-billed by CellularOne. Complainant requests numerous resolutions to resolve his dispute.

Staff Analyst: Mary Healy Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: N/A

ELECTRIC

EL02-016 In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions.

Application of MidAmerican Energy to revise its standard bill form by updating the department for customer correspondence from "Quality and Compliance" to "Customer Service Quality."

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/08/02 Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

NATURAL GAS

NG02-005 In the Matter of the Filing by MidAmerican Energy Company for Approval of Tariff Revisions.

Application of MidAmerican Energy to revise its standard bill form by updating the department for customer correspondence from "Quality and Compliance" to "Customer Service Quality."

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/08/02 Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC02-101 In the Matter of the Application of Choice Telco, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

Application of Choice Telco, LLC for a certificate of authority to provide resold interexchange telecommunications service in South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

TC02-102 In the Matter of the Application of Ridley Telephone Company, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

Ridley Telephone Company, LLC has filed an application with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange service in South Dakota. The applicant intends to provide resold interexchange service, including MTS, in-WATS, out-WATS, and calling card services throughout South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 08/12/02
Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

TC02-103 In the Matter of the Application of Tralee Telephone Company, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

Application of Tralee Telephone Company, LLC for a certificate of authority to provide resold interexchange telecommunications service in South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02 Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

In the Matter of the Application of Telliss, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

Telliss, LLC has filed an application with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange service in South Dakota. The applicant intends to provide resold interexchange service, including MTS, in-WATS, out-WATS, and calling card services throughout South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Michele Farris Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/12/02

Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

TC02-105

In the Matter of the Application of iLOKA Inc. d/b/a Microtech-tel for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services and Local Exchange Services in South Dakota.

Application of iLOKA Inc. d/b/a Microtech-tel for a certificate of authority to provide resold and facilities-based local exchange and interexchange services in South Dakota.

Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Date Docketed: 08/13/02 Intervention Deadline: 08/30/02

TC02-106 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of an Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and Sprint Communications Company L.P.

On August 14, 2002, the Commission received for approval a filing of the Unbundled Loops, Loop Mux Combination, Special Request Process, Bona Fide Request Process, and Single Point of Presence in the LATA Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and Sprint Communications, L.P (Sprint). According to the parties, this is an amendment to the negotiated interconnection agreement between Sprint and Qwest. The amendment adds terms and conditions for Unbundled Loops, Loop Mux Combination, Special Request Process, Bona Fide Request Process, and Single Point of Presence in the LATA. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than September 3, 2002. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Rolayne Ailts Wiest

Date Docketed: 08/14/02

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PUC Docket TC02-104

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request of staff member, Michele M. Farris, enclosed for filing with the Commission, please find an original and two (2) copies of the above captioned corporation's responses to staff correspondence dated September 10, 2002.

In addition, enclosed is a duplicate copy of this letter. Please date-stamp the duplicate and return it to me in the enclosed stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Should you have any questions concerning this filing, please contact me.

Very truly yours

EARLY. LENNON, CROCKER & BARTOSIEWICZ, P.L.C.

Enclosures

1. The applicant did not submit a cash flow statement. Please request a waiver from foling a cash flow statement in accordance with ARSD 20:10:24:02(08).

Applicant requests a waiver of the ARSD 20:10:24:02(08) requirement to provide these documents. Attached hereto as Attachment 1.

2. Provide the telephone number, fax number, e-mail address and toll-free number of the applicant's representative to whom all inquiries must be regarding complaints and regulatory matters.

Inquiries regarding complaints and regulatory matters may be made to:

Jody Hernandez Telliss, LLC 10142 Brooks School Road Suite 198 Fishers, IN 46038

Telephone: (317) 915-2008
Facsimile: (317) 915-2009
Toll Free: (866) 835-5477
E-mail: jody@telliss.com

3. Should item 19.(12) read \$0.035 instead of \$.35 per minute?

Item 19.(12). should read, "Applicant purchases intrastate services from Global Crossing for approximately \$0.035 per minute and resells to the public for approximately \$0.06 a minute. The amended application page is attached hereto as Attachment 2.

4. It appears that the application is missing a page after item 19.(14). Please check the original and submit the correct pages.

An amended application page is attached hereto as Attachment 2.

5. In item 2.15.1 of the tariff, include TTY through Relay Service South Dakota (800) 877-1113.

An amended S.D.P.U.C. Tariff No. 1 Original Page No. 29 is attached hereto as Attachment 3.

ATTACHMENT 1

Request for Waiver of ARSD 10:24:02(08)

Telliss, LLC, hereby respectfully requests a waiver of the ARSD 10:24:02(08) requirement to file a cash flow statement.

ATTACHMENT 2

- (7). Applicant shall offer services on all equal access areas within the State of South Dakota. Accordingly, Applicant does not attach a map describing service boundaries.
- (8). See Exhibits D and E attached hereto.
- (9). All complaints and regulatory matters should be directed to Applicant as set forth in paragraph 1 of this Application.
- (10). A list of states where the Applicant is certified is attached hereto as Exhibit
 F. Applicant has not been denied certification in any state, and is in good standing with the appropriate regulatory agency in the states where registered or certified.
- (11). Applicant intends to market its services to primarily business customers.
- (12). Cost support for rates shown in the company's tariff for all noncompetitive or emerging competitive services are as follows:

Applicant's Cost for Underlying Transport Services

Applicant proposes to resell services within South Dakota in excess of Applicant's cost of purchasing services from Applicant's underlying carrier Global Crossing. Applicant purchases intrastate services from Global Crossing for approximately \$0.035 per minute and resells to the public for approximately \$0.06 a minute.

- (13). Applicant's federal employer ID number is 35-2152825.
- (14). Applicant has had no complaints filed against the applicant with any state or federal commission regarding the unauthorized switching of a customer's telecommunications provider and the act of charging customers for services that have not been ordered.

ATTACHMENT 3

2.14. Inspection

2.14.1. The Company may, upon notice, make such tests and inspections as may be necessary to determine that the requirements of this Tariff are being complied with in the Installation, operation or maintenance of Customer or the Company equipment. The Company may interrupt the Service at any time, without penalty to the Company, should Customer violate any provision herein.

2.15. Customer Inquires and Complaints

2.15.1. Customers may direct inquiries and complaints to the Company or the Commission by using the address and toll free number set forth below:

Telliss, LLC 10142 Brook's School Road Suite 198 Fishers, Indiana 46038 (866) 835-5477 South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building 500 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, South Dakota 57501 (800) 332-1782 TTY through Relay Service South Dakota (800) 877-1113

Issued: Effective:

Issued by:

Terry Ballantini, Member/President

Telliss, LLC

10142 Brook's School Road, Suite 198

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

| IN THE MATTER OF THE | APPLICATION (| OF |) | ORDER GRANTING |
|-----------------------------|---------------|----|---|----------------|
| TELLISS, LLC FOR A | CERTIFICATE | OF |) | CERTIFICATE OF |
| AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE | INTEREXCHAN | GE |) | AUTHORITY |
| TELECOMMUNICATIONS | SERVICES | IN |) | |
| SOUTH DAKOTA | | |) | TC02-104 |

On August 13, 2002, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from Telliss, LLC (Telliss).

Telliss proposes to offer a full range of "1+" interexchange telecommunications services on a resale basis. A proposed tariff was filed by Telliss. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On August 15, 2002, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of August 30, 2002, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its October 17, 2002, meeting, the Commission considered Telliss' request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(8).

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that Telliss has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Telliss has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Further, the Commission finds that there is good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). The Commission approves Telliss' application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Telliss' application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission waives ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that Telliss shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this <u>31 ot</u> day of October, 2002.

| CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE | BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION: |
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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 first class mail, in properly addressed | Jumes U Buro |
| envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon. | JAMES A. BURG, Chairman |
| By: Suldine Kalbo | A TIM |
| Date: 11/1/02 | PAM NELSON, Commissioner |
| (OFFICIAL SEAL) | Robert K. Sale |
| | ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner |

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

To Conduct Business As ATelecommunications Company
Within The State of South Dakota

Authority was Granted as of the date of the Order Granting Certificate of Authority

Docket No. TC02-104

This is to certify that

TELLISS, LLC

is authorized to provide interexchange telecommunications services in South Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, and is subject to all of the conditions and limitations contained in the rules and statutes governing its conduct of offering telecommunications services.

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner