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RE: CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY - DOCKET TC04-079

Dear Ms. Harrington:

Please find enclosed an Order Granting Certificate of Authority and Certificate of Authority, effective as a South Dakota telecommunications company. This Order shows that your company has been approved by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) to provide local exchange services in the state of South Dakota, subject to the Commission's restriction with respect to rural telephone companies. Each company certified by the Commission is required to demonstrate sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capability to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Please send us one copy of your company's final tariff, including the effective date, which is June 30, 2004.

Also enclosed for your information is a copy of SDCL 49-31-89 through 49-31-97 relating to slamming, which became effective July 1, 1999.

Administrative Rule 20:10:32:12 requires that each company providing local exchange services submit the following information by June 1 of each year from the preceding calendar year:

- (1) A report of its annual revenues from the preceding year resulting from operations in South Dakota;
- (2) A report identifying specifically the areas within its service area in the state where the company is operational and actually providing local exchange services. The report must separately identify areas being served primarily through resale and areas served by facilities of the companies; and
- (3) The number of access lines being served, segregated between business and residential local exchange customers.

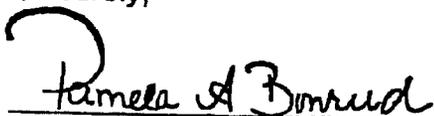
Pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-1A, on June 1 of each year, each company certified is required to file with the Commission, on forms provided by the Commission, the amount of its gross receipts derived from customers within South Dakota during the preceding calendar year. SDCL 49-1A-3 levies the annual intrastate Gross Receipts Tax. This tax of .0015 or \$250.00, whichever is greater, is due and payable on June 1 of each year.

It is also very important for each company to keep the Commission updated on information relating to the company's address, phone and fax numbers, internet address, and contact people such as officers, CEOs, managers and customer service representatives. A Certificate of Authority may not be sold, assigned, leased, or transferred without Commission approval.

All telecommunications companies should be familiar with the Administrative Rules applicable to the regulation of telecommunications services in South Dakota. If you do not have a copy of these Rules, they can be accessed at the Commission's home page at <http://www.state.sd.us/puc> or you may obtain a copy of the Rules by contacting the Commission. You may use the enclosed document entitled "Stay Informed" to subscribe to Agendas and Minutes of the Commission meetings, Weekly Filing Reports, Rules Information and News Releases. You may also receive the Agendas, Minutes and Weekly Filing Reports by fax.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Delaine Kolbo at (605) 773-3705.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

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