



December 27, 2007

VIA EMAIL

Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

RE: TC07-107 PETITION TO INTERVENE BY PRAIRIEWAVE BLACK HILLS, LLC AND PRAIRIEWAVE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.; IN THE MATTER OF UNAUTHORIZED LONG DISTANCE CHANGES AND UNAUTHORIZED TELEPHONE CHARGES MADE BY REDUCED RATES LONG DISTANCE, LLC

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Enclosed is a Petition to Intervene in the above-captioned docket filed by PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC and PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc.

If you have any questions, please contact me as indicated below. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Kristie Lyngstad".

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

IN THE MATTER OF)	
UNAUTHORIZED LONG DISTANCE)	Docket No. CT07-107
CHANGES AND UNAUTHORIZED)	
TELEPHONE CHARGES MADE BY)	PETITION TO INTERVENE
REDUCED RATES LONG DISTANCE)	

Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:10:15.02 PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC and PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. (“PrairieWave Entities”) by its undersigned counsel petitions the Commission to intervene, as follows:

1. The PrairieWave Entities are certificated telecommunications companies under the jurisdiction of the Commission, providing both local and long distance service.

2. Commission granted a Commission Staff motion for an order to show cause in this docket complaining that Reduced Rates Long Distance (“Reduced Rates”) impersonated the actual telecommunications service providers, including the PrairieWave Entities, in seeking to wrongfully change telecommunications service providers or to wrongfully bill the customer for services not received in the name of the customer’s actual carrier, including the PrairieWave Entities. The PrairieWave Entities believe that in acting as described in the Motion for Order to Show Cause and in seeking to impersonate the PrairieWave Entities, Reduced Rates has damaged the reputation of the PrairieWave Entities and has violated numerous provisions of law, including those recited by Commission staff in its motion for order to show cause.

3. The PrairieWave Entities have a direct interest in the outcome of this proceeding. As certificated local exchange and long distance carriers, the PrairieWave Entities have been damaged in their reputations and financially by the wrongful and illegal acts of Reduced Rates. The actions of Reduced Rates give rise to a direct financial impact upon the PrairieWave Entities by causing customers to switch service providers under the false assumption that Reduced Rates is an agent of one of the PrairieWave Entities and that the PrairieWave Entities still provide the underlying telecommunications service. The false and misleading representations and actions of Reduced Rates further damages the PrairieWave Entities business reputation in the state by effectively double billing the customer for service when Reduced Rates in some instances does not switch the customer to its service but leaves the service with a PrairieWave Entity but remits a bill to the customer for phantom services it never provided.

Wherefore the PrairieWave Entities request that the Commission permit their intervention and participation in this proceeding.

Submitted this 27th day of December, 2007.

/s/ filed electronically

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kristie Lyngstad, hereby certify that on the 27th day of December 2007, I served the attached **PETITION TO INTERVENE** by PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC and PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. in the above-captioned action to the following:

electronically to:

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