

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION
FOR MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS
FOR APPROVAL OF ITS SWITCHED
ACCESS RATES

TC07-117

**MIDCONTINENT'S
RATE TARIFF
FILING**

Pursuant to the Commission's order dated January 14, 2009, in this docket and SDCL §§ 49-31-12.2, 49-31-12.4 and ARSD Chapters 20:10:27, 20:10:28 and 20:10:29, Midcontinent Communications ("Midcontinent") states as follows:

1. Attached as Exhibit A is Midcontinent's tariff filed herewith in accordance with the citations stated in the preamble and the Commission's order of January 14, 2009. Attached as Exhibit B is the public notice required by SDCL § 49-31-12.2, providing 30 days notice of the filing.

2. As the Commission is aware from prior proceedings in this docket, Midcontinent has produced a cost study which translates Midcontinent's GAAP accounting into a workable proxy for the Commission's switched access rules. The methodology was dealt with in the prefiled testimony of Warren R. Fischer, describing the manner in which the cost study replicates the Commission's switched access rules and the USOA accounting methodology set forth in the rules. As stated in the Commission's order of January 14, 2009, in this matter, Staff is to perform an evaluation of the cost study.

3. Midcontinent's costs study is filed with the Commission and has been filed with the Commission as a part of earlier proceedings in the captioned docket.

WHEREFORE, Midcontinent prays that the Commission cause its Staff to review the cost study and approve it as an accurate and reasonable replication of the Commission's switched access rules.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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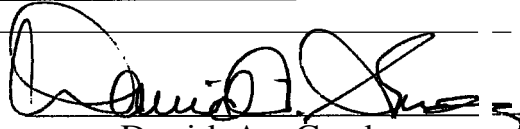
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17. Rates and Charges

17.1 Recurring Charges

17.1.1 Carrier Common Line Access Service

Regulations concerning Carrier Common Line Access are set forth in Section 3 preceding.

Per Access Minute Charge: \$0.0513 (I)

17.1.2 Transport Services

1. Installation Charge: ICB

2. Port Connections:

a. Monthly Charge ICB

b. DS1 Port Connection ICB

c. DS3 Port Connection ICB

Per Access Minute Charge: \$0.0187 (I)

Switch Management Services Expedited **Trunk** Code Routing Changes (1-15 codes)

17.1.3 End Office Local Switching

Per Access Minute Charge: \$0.0285 (I)

17. Rates and Charges (continued)

17.1 Recurring Charges (continued)

17.1.4 8XX Data Base Access Service Queries

Per Query:

Basic \$0.003312

Vertical Feature:

POTS Translation Charge Per Call \$0.003665

Call Handling & Destination Feature Charge \$0.000694

17.2 Nonrecurring Charges

17.2.1 Transport Services

Nonrecurring ICB

17.2.2 Special Construction

Special Construction Charges ICB

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**MIDCONTINENT'S STATUTORY NOTICE OF
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SWITCHED ACCESS SERVICES**

**TO: THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH
DAKOTA AND TO THE PUBLIC**

YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on February 25, 2009, Midcontinent Communications filed a tariff increasing published rates or prices for noncompetitive telecommunications services, which shall be effective 30 days after the filing of Midcontinent's tariff.

Attached to this notice is a copy the proposed tariff.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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