

September 26, 2008

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
Capital Building, First Floor
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: In the Matter of the Application of Native American Telecom, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Local Exchange Service on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation
Docket No. TC08-109

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached via E-Filing is Fort Randall Telephone Company's Petition to Intervene in the above-entitled Docket, together with a Certificate of Service.

Very truly yours,



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 26th day of September, 2008, the attached FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE COMPANY'S PETITION TO INTERVENE was E-Filed upon the following party:

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF NATIVE AMERICAN TELECOM, LLC)
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO)
PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE ON)
THE PINE RIDGE INDIAN RESERVATION) DOCKET NO. TC08-109

FORT RANDALL TELEPHONE COMPANY

PETITION TO INTERVENE

Fort Randall Telephone Company (Fort Randall), hereby petitions to intervene as a party in this matter pursuant to ARSD § § 20:10:01:15.02 and 20:10:32:04. In support of this Petition, Fort Randall states as follows:

1. In its Petition, Native American Telecom, LLC (Native Telecom) requests authority to provide local exchange service on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, which may include a portion of Fort Randall’s service area -- in particular the area in and around Red Shirt, South Dakota.
2. Fort Randall is a telecommunications company that already holds a certificate of authority to provide local exchange service in the geographic area where Native Telecom seeks to provide local exchange service.
3. Fort Randall, by this petition, requests intervener status in this proceeding.
4. ARSD § 20:10:32:04 provides that the Commission “shall, upon request, grant each of the already certified telecommunications companies intervener status in any commission proceeding held on the application.”

5. In addition, because Native Telecom's Petition seeks certification for local exchange services within Fort Randall's service territory, Fort Randall has an interest in, and may be impacted by, this proceeding.

6. Based on the foregoing, Fort Randall is an interested party in this matter entitled to intervening party status.

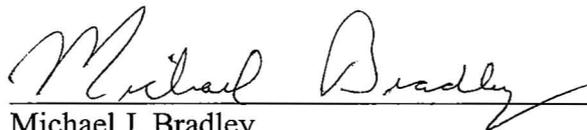
7. Subject to obtaining further information demonstrating that Native Telecom's Petition is in the public interest, Fort Randall does not anticipate objecting to Native Telecom's Petition. Fort Randall, however, reserves the right to object to future requests by Native Telecom for additional rights, such as a subsequently petition seeking eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") status.

WHEREFORE, Fort Randall requests that the Commission grant its Petition and allow it to intervene and be granted party status in this proceeding.

Dated this 26th day of September, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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