

Docket Number: TC16-050
Subject Matter: First Data Request
Request to: eNetworks, LLC (eNetworks or Company)
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff (Staff)
Date of Request: September 16, 2016
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Response of
eNetworks, LLC
Docket No. TC16-050

- 1.1. Confirm that the company is applying for a certificate of authority for local exchange service. Page 1 of the application references ARSD 20:10:24:02, which pertains to interexchange service, instead of ARSD 20:10:32:03, which pertains to local exchange service.

Response: The Company is requesting local exchange service certification under ARSD 20:10:32:03.

- 1.2. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(5), provide a copy of the company's certificate of authority to transact business in South Dakota from the secretary of state. It appears that the company submitted a certificate of authorization.

Response: See Attachment I for the South Dakota Certificate of Authority for eNetworks, LLC.

- 1.3. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(1), provide the company's E-mail address.

Response: www.enetworksllc.com. The company's main contact can be reached at gina.lawrence@essentia-inc.com.

- 1.4. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(6), provide a description of the applicant's experience providing any telecommunications services in other jurisdictions, including the types of services provided and the nature of state authorization to provide the services.

Response: See Attachment II for the current certification status of eNetworks, LLC.

- 1.5. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(7), provide the addresses of the company's affiliates, subsidiaries, and parent organizations.

Response: All of the Company's affiliates share the same address.

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- 1.6. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(8)(b), provide information indicating the extent to which the company will provide local exchange services through the resale of a local exchange carrier's services, the purchase of a local exchange carrier's network elements, the use of the applicants own facilities or a combination of these methods.

Response: Applicant does not plan on providing local exchange service in the service area of a rural telephone company. eNetworks does not plan to sign any interconnection agreements with any local exchange carrier as they do not plan to provide dial tone type services. The Company proposes to deploy underground and/or aerial fiber optic cable along with fiber and outdoor metro cell nodes. (A metro cell node is comprised of equipment and an antenna most typically mounted on or near a utility pole or light pole). Incumbent local exchange companies as well as other utilities with poles or conduit require the company to obtain CLEC licenses prior to any negotiations with the company.

- 1.7. The response for ARSD 20:10:32:03(10)(b) seems contradictory in reference to a toll-free number. Will it have a toll-free number in the future or not?

Response: Initially the company did not plan on having a toll free number based upon the direct nature of the relationship they have with their customers. However, the company has decided otherwise and now has 844-222-2344 as their customer service toll free number.

- 1.8. Will the company be asking for a waiver of ARSD 20:10:32:03(11)?

Response: Yes the company requests a waiver of ARSD 20:10:32:03(11). The company's initial service offering will not include any end user services as defined in #1.6 above.

- 1.9. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(13)(c), provide a copy of any request for interconnection made by the applicant to any local exchange carrier.

Response: See response to Item # 1.6 above.

- 1.10. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(14), does the applicant engage in multilevel marketing? Also, provide copies of any company brochures that will be used to assist in the sales of the services.

Response: No. The company will market its services through direct sales channels.

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1.11. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:03(24), provide the applicant's South Dakota sales tax number.

Response: The company did not plan on receiving its South Dakota sales tax registration until it had a firm order for service. eNetworks has filed a sales tax registration on October 19, 2016 to facilitate the completion of this application. The sales tax number will be provided to the Commission upon receipt.

1.12. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:32:04, has the company given notice of its application to each telecommunications company that already holds a certificate of authority to provide local exchange service in the geographic area where the applicant seeks to provide local exchange service?

Response: Yes, the company provided notice of this filing to all certificated local exchange companies on October 21, 2016.