BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED BY BERNIECE PRAVECEK, MITCHELL, SOUTH DAKOTA, AGAINST DIRECT ONE COM.LONG DISTANCE REGARDING UNAUTHORIZED TELECOMMUNICATIONS CHARGES AND SERVICES	))))))	**ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT AND CLOSING DOCKET** **CT01-040**

On September 17, 2001, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a complaint filed by Berniece Pravecek, Mitchell, South Dakota (Complainant), against Direct One Com.Long Distance (Direct One) regarding unauthorized telecommunications charges and services.

On September 17, 2001, the complaint was faxed to Direct One. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, Direct One was notified that it must satisfy the complaint or file an answer in writing with the Commission by October 9, 2001. On September 24, 2001, the Commission received a letter response from Direct One. Commission Staff was informed that settlement had been reached in this matter.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-13, including 49-13-1 through 49-13-14, inclusive, and SDCL Chapter 49-31, including 49-31-3, 49-31-7, 49-31-7.1, 49-31-7.2, 49-31-7.3, 49-31-7.4, 49-31-10, 49-31-11, 49-31-38, 49-31-38.1, 49-31-38.2, 49-31-38.3, 49-31-89 through 49-31-97, inclusive, and ARSD Chapters 20:10:01 and 20:10:34.

On October 23, 2001, at a regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this matter. Upon recommendation of Commission Staff, the Commission voted to dismiss the complaint and close the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the complaint shall be dismissed and the docket closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 31st day of October, 2001.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

By: Delaine Kolbo

Date: 11/1/01

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson

PAM NELSON, Commissioner