

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
INTERCONTINENTAL COMMUNICATIONS )  
GROUP, INC., D/B/A ICLD FOR A )  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN )  
SOUTH DAKOTA )

ORDER GRANTING  
CERTIFICATE OF  
AUTHORITY

TC97-002

On January 7, 1997, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from Intercontinental Communications Group, Inc., d/b/a ICLD (ICLD).

ICLD proposes to offer long distance voice telecommunications services over resold transmission facilities. ICLD offers "1+" direct dial calling, in-bound "800" service, operator assisted service, debit card and travel card services. A proposed tariff was filed by ICLD. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On January 9, 1997, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of January 24, 1997, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its regularly scheduled February 11, 1997, meeting, the Commission considered ICLD's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that ICLD has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. ICLD has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission approves ICLD's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that ICLD's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, effective March 7, 1997. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that ICLD shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1997.

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 first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.	
By:	<u>Alumni Kalbo</u>
Date:	<u>2/21/97</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson  
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder  
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner