

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY KADOKA) ORDER APPROVING TARIFF
TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR SWITCHED) REVISIONS
ACCESS TARIFF REVISIONS)
) TC97-056

On May 19, 1997, Kadoka Telephone Company (Kadoka) filed an application with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission). Kadoka stated that it is concurring in the new South Dakota average access rates which reflect the recent FCC pay phone reclassification and deregulation. The effective date of the rates were April 15, 1997. On December 29, 1997, Kadoka filed a letter to correct the rate information contained in the May 19, 1997, letter.

On May 29, 1997, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 13, 1997, to interested individuals and entities.

On January 8, 1998, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this filing. Commission Staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions received on December 29, 1997. The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07, 20:10:27:08, and 20:10:27:14. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the revisions received on December 29, 1997, to Kadoka's access rates. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Kadoka's revisions to its access rates are approved and shall be effective for service rendered on and after April 15, 1997.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 21st day of January, 1998.

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: <u><i>Alvin Kaabo</i></u>
Date: <u>1/23/98</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner