

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SWITCHED ACCESS RATES FOR SOUTH DAKOTA NETWORK, INC.))))	ORDER APPROVING REVENUE REQUIREMENT AND TARIFF REVISIONS TC97-060
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On June 2, 1997, South Dakota Network, Inc. (SDN) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its 1996 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study and tariff revisions effective July 1, 1997. On November 13, 1997, SDN filed its revised Cost Study.

On June 5, 1997, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 20, 1997, to interested individuals and entities. On June 19, 1997, the Commission received a Petition for Leave to Intervene from U S WEST Communications, Inc. (U S WEST). The Commission granted U S WEST's Petition to Intervene. The Commission also voted to assess a \$1,000 filing fee. On November 18, 1997, the Commission granted U S WEST's motion for withdrawal from this docket. The Commission considered this matter at its January 8, 1998, meeting. Commission Staff recommended approval of the revised revenue requirement and associated tariff sheets.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49- 1A-9, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07 and 20:10:27:08. Upon review of SDN's filings, the Commission found that the revised revenue requirement was fair and reasonable and the associated tariff sheets should be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED that SDN's revised revenue requirement and associated tariff sheets are hereby approved and shall be effective for telecommunications services rendered on and after January 8, 1998.

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

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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.

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

By:_____

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Date: _____

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER,
Commissioner