

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
MEGSINET-CLEC, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE)	CERTIFICATE OF
OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)	AUTHORITY
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)	
SOUTH DAKOTA)	TC98-182

On October 14, 1998, 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 Megsinet-CLEC, Inc. (Megsinet).

Megsinet is a resale common carrier that proposes to offer interexchange direct dialed (1+), inbound toll free and travel card services to customers throughout South Dakota. Intrastate service is offered as an add-on to interstate service. A proposed tariff was filed by Megsinet. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On October 15, 1998, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 30, 1998, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its regularly scheduled November 3, 1998, meeting, the Commission considered Megsinet'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 Megsinet has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Megsinet 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 Megsinet's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Megsinet's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, effective December 14, 1998. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 9th day of November, 1998.

<p>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u><i>Helaine Kalbo</i></u></p> <p>Date: <u>11/10/98</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
 JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
 PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder
 LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner