

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CABLE & WIRELESS GLOBAL MARKETS, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA))))))	ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TC99-040
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On April 19, 1999, 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 Cable & Wireless Global Markets, Inc. (CWGM).

CWGM proposes to offer intrastate interexchange telecommunications services on a resale basis. A proposed tariff was filed by CWGM. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On April 23, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 7, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its July 29, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered CWGM's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that CWGM not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(8).

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 CWGM has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. CWGM has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Further, the Commission finds that there is good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). The Commission approves CWGM's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that CWGM not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that CWGM's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to the condition that CWGM not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission finds good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 6th day of August, 1999.

<p style="text-align:center">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: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p>	<p>BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:</p> <p style="text-align:center">_____ JAMES A. BURG, Chairman</p> <p style="text-align:center">_____ PAM NELSON, Commissioner</p> <p style="text-align:center">_____ LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner</p>
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