

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
DAKOTA TELECOM, INC. TO AMEND ITS)	INTERVENTION
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO ALLOW)	
DAKOTA TELECOM, INC. TO PROVIDE)	TC99-114
SERVICE TO THE JEFFERSON, SOUTH)	
DAKOTA EXCHANGE)	

On December 6, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Notice of Intent and Request to Amend Certificate from Dakota Telecom, Inc. (DTI).

On December 9, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of December 24, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. Jefferson Telephone Company (Jefferson) filed a Petition to Intervene on December 23, 1999.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31.

At a regularly scheduled meeting of January 6, 2000, the Commission found that the Petition to Intervene was timely filed and demonstrated good cause to grant intervention. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of Jefferson Telephone Company is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 12th day of January, 2000.

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>Delaine Kaebo</i></u>
Date: <u>1/13/00</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