

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY GOLDEN) WEST COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR) APPROVAL OF ITS BOUNDARY CHANGE))	ORDER APPROVING REVISED SERVICE TERRITORY TC99-029
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On March 30, 1999, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Golden West Communications, Inc. for approval of a boundary change between the Custer, South Dakota exchange served by Vivian Telephone Co. d.b.a. Golden West Communications (Vivian) and the Hot Springs exchange served by Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative (Cooperative). The boundary change is sought by a developer, the result of which would bring all of the developer's territory into the Custer exchange. The application included the minutes of both the Cooperative's Board and Vivian's Board stating their approval of the boundary change.

The new area to be serviced by the Custer exchange is described as follows:

"In order to include all of the Lone Star Subdivision in the Custer, South Dakota exchange, Vivian Telephone Company agrees to move the South exchange boundary South 1/4 Mile in Sections 7 & 8, Township 6S, Range 4E, in Custer County."

On April 26, 1999, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the matter. Staff recommended approval of the revised service territory.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31-3 and 49-31-7. Further, the Commission finds that the revised service territory shall be approved. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the revised service territory is hereby approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of May, 1999.

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>Melaine Kalbo</u>
Date: <u>5/6/99</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