

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF A JOINT )  
PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF RECIPROCAL )  
TRANSPORT AND TERMINATION )  
AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CERTAIN LOCAL )  
EXCHANGE CARRIERS AND CERTAIN CMRS )  
PROVIDERS )**

**ORDER APPROVING  
AGREEMENTS**

**TC01-138**

On August 22, 2001, the South Dakota Independent Telephone Coalition filed for approval by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) reciprocal transport and termination agreements between certain local exchange carriers and certain CMRS providers. A list of the local exchange carriers marked as Exhibit A and a list of the CMRS providers marked as Exhibit B are attached to this order.

On August 23, 2001, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of this filing to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until September 11, 2001, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed October 10, 2001, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the agreements between the local exchange carriers and the CMRS providers. Commission Staff reviewed each of the agreements. Commission Staff recommended approval.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), the Commission found that the agreements do not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreements and the agreements are consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the agreements. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the agreements.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 18th day of October, 2001.

**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: Melaine Kalbo

Date: 10/19/01

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson  
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

**EXHIBIT A**

**LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City, State, Zip</b>
Armour Independent Telephone Company	116 North Main Avenue P.O. Box 460	Hartford, SD 57033
Baltic Telecom Cooperative	501 Second Street P.O. Box 307	Baltic, SD 57003
Beresford Municipal Telephone Company	101 North Third Street	Beresford, SD 57004
Bridgewater-Canistota Independent Telephone	116 North Main Avenue P.O. Box 460	Hartford, SD 57033
Brookings Municipal Tele./Swiftel Communications	525 Western Avenue P.O. Box 588	Brookings, SD 57006
Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Telephone Authority	P.O. Box 810	Eagle Butte, SD 57625
Dakota Community Telephone	29705 - 453 <sup>rd</sup> Avenue P.O. Box 66	Irene, SD 57037-0066
East Plains Telecom, Inc.	501 Second Street P.O. Box 307	Baltic, SD 57003
Faith Municipal Telephone Company	206 Main Street P.O. Box 368	Faith, SD 57626
Fort Randall Telephone Company	722 West Highway #46	Wagner, SD 57751
Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative	415 Crown Street P.O. Box 411	Wall, SD 57790
Hanson County Telephone Company	431 Main Street P.O. Box 217	Alexandria, SD 57311
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	312 West Fourth Street P.O. Box 920	Clear Lake, SD 57226
James Valley Cooperative Telephone	235 East First Avenue P.O. Box 260	Groton, SD 57445-0260
Jefferson Telephone Company	311 Main Street P.O. Box 128	Jefferson, SD 57038-0128
Kadoka Telephone Company	121 Main Street P.O. Box 220	Kadoka, SD 57543
Kennebec Telephone Company	209 South Main P.O. Box 158	Kennebec, SD 57544
McCook Cooperative Telephone Co.	330 South Nebraska Street P.O. Box 630	Salem, SD 57058
Midstate Communications, Inc.	120 East First Street P.O. Box 48	Kimball, SD 57355
Mount Rushmore Telephone Company	P.O. Box 669	Keystone, SD 57751

RC Communications, Inc.	Main Street P.O. Box 196	New Effington, SD 57255
Roberts County Telephone Cooperative Assn.	Main Street P.O. Box 196	New Effington, SD 57255
Sanborn Telephone Cooperative	P.O. Box 67	Woonsocket, SD 57385
Sancom, Inc.	P.O. Box 67	Woonsocket, SD 57385
Sioux Valley Telephone Company	525 East Fourth Street P.O. Box 98	Dell Rapids, SD 57022
Splitrock Telecom Cooperative, Inc.	612 Third Street P.O. Box 349	Garretson, SD 57030
Splitrock Properties	612 Third Street P.O. Box 349	Garretson, SD 57030
Stockholm-Strandburg Telephone Co.	210 North Main Street P.O. Box 20	Stockholm, SD 57264
Sully Buttes Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	218 Commercial S.E. P.O. Box 157	Highmore, SD 57345
Tri-County Telecommunications, Inc.	202 North Third Street P.O. Box 304	Emery, SD 57332
Union Telephone Company	116 North Main Avenue P.O. Box 460	Hartford, SD 57033
Valley Telecommunications Cooperative	102 Main Street South P.O. Box 7	Herreid, SD 57632
Vivian Telephone Co., dba Golden Vest Telecomm.	4150 Crown Street P.O. Box 411	Wall, SD 57790
West River Cooperative Telephone Company	801 Coleman Avenue P.O. Box 39	Bison, SD 57620-0039
West River Telecommunications Cooperative	P.O. Box 467	Hazen, ND 58545
Western Telephone Company	111 Ninth Avenue North P.O. Box 128	Faulkton, SD 57438

**EXHIBIT B**

**CMRS PROVIDERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>City, State, Zip</b>
Midwest Wireless Communications, LLC	2000 Technology Drive P.O. Box 4069	Mankato, MN 56002-4069
Rural Cellular Corporation	P.O. Box 2000	Alexandria, MN 56308
Wireless Alliance, LLC	3905 Dakota Street S.W.	Alexandria, MN 56308