

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF
GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS CONSULTING
CORP. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN
SOUTH DAKOTA**

**ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC02-112

On August 28, 2002, 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 Global Communications Consulting Corp. (Global).

Global proposes to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout South Dakota on a resale basis. A proposed tariff was filed by Global. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On August 29, 2002, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 13, 2002, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its October 17, 2002, meeting, the Commission considered Global's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority subject to the condition that Global not offer a prepaid calling card or require or accept deposits or advanced payments without prior approval of the Commission. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(8) and that the certificate of authority have an effective date of October 28, 2002.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that Global has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Global 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 Global's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Global's application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted subject to the condition that Global not offer a prepaid calling card or require or accept deposits or advanced payments without prior approval of the Commission, effective October 28, 2002. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission waives ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that Global shall file informational copies of tariff changes

with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of October, 2002.

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 first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.

By: Tina Douglas

Date: 11/1/02

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

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PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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