

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING FOR) APPROVAL OF A WIRELINE ADOPTION) INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT AND) CONCURRENT AMENDMENT TO THE) AGREEMENT AS IT IS ADOPTED BETWEEN) QWEST CORPORATION AND ICG TELECOM) GROUP, INC.)	ORDER APPROVING ADOPTION AGREEMENT AND CONCURRENT AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT TC02-045
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On May 7, 2002, Qwest Corporation (Qwest) filed for approval by the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) a wireline adoption interconnection agreement and concurrent amendment to the agreement between ICG Telecom Group, Inc. (ICG) and Qwest.

On May 16, 2002, 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 May 28, 2002, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed December 19, 2002, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement between Qwest and ICG. Commission Staff recommended its 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 adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement do not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement and the adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement are consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the adoption agreement and amendment to the agreement.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 3rd day of January, 2003.

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>Aldino Kelbo</i></u>
Date: <u>1/6/03</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner