

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

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT |) | ORDER APPROVING TARIFF |
| OF SWITCHED ACCESS RATES FOR THE |) | REVISIONS, SUBJECT TO |
| LOCAL EXCHANGE CARRIERS ASSOCIATION |) | REFUND WITH INTEREST |
| |) | TC03-108 |

On June 30, 2003, the Local Exchange Carriers Association (LECA) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) revised pages of its LECA Tariff No. 1. LECA stated: "The purpose of these revisions is to implement changes in rates as necessitated by revisions in member companies' revenue requirements contained in their 2002 cost study filing. The revised rates are proposed to be effective upon PUC approval of the corresponding cost studies."

On July 3, 2003, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 18, 2003, to interested individuals and entities. On September 16, 2003, the Commission voted to assess a \$1,000 filing fee, subject to additional amounts as requested by the Executive Director up to the statutory limit of \$100,000. On May 5, 2004, the Commission received revised pages of LECA's Tariff No. 1. The purpose of these revisions is to implement changes in rates as necessitated by revisions in member companies' revenue requirements. LECA requested a June 4, 2004, effective date. The Commission considered this matter at its May 24, 2004, meeting. Commission Staff recommended approval of the tariff revisions, subject to refund with interest.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-1A-9, 49-31-12.2, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07 and 20:10:27:08. Upon review of LECA's filing, the Commission found that the proposed tariff revisions were timely noticed for a June 4, 2004, effective date. As the Commission's decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that LECA's tariff revisions are effective as of June 4, 2004, subject to refund with interest.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of June, 2004.

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: 6/3/04

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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