

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY WWC)	ORDER GRANTING
LICENSE, LLC D/B/A CELLULARONE FOR)	MOTION TO WITHDRAW
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN OTHER)	TC03-191
RURAL AREAS)	

On November 5, 2003, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by WWC Holding Co., Inc. d/b/a CellularOne (WWC) petitioning for approval of it as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) in the study areas of the following rural telephone companies: Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, Splitrock Properties, Inc., Venture Communications Cooperative f/k/a Sully Buttes Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Tri-County Telcom, Inc., Vivian Telephone Company, West River Telecommunications Cooperative (Mobridge) - SD, and West River Telecommunications Cooperative - SD.

On November 6, 2003, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 21, 2003, to interested individuals and entities. On November 21, 2003, Petitions to Intervene were filed by James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company, South Dakota Telecommunications Association, Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc., Splitrock Properties, Inc., West River Telecommunications Cooperative, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Vivian Telephone Company, Venture Communications Cooperative, and Tri-County Telcom, Inc. WWC objected to the intervention of South Dakota Telecommunications Association. At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 2, 2003, the Commission granted the above Petitions to Intervene. On January 2, 2004, WWC filed a Motion to Amend Petition to substitute as petitioner WWC License, LLC as the correct party. At its regularly scheduled meeting of January 20, 2004, the Commission granted the Motion to Amend Petition.

On March 11, 2004, the Commission received a Motion to Withdraw Petition to Intervene of Alliance and Splitrock. At its March 23, 2004, meeting, the Commission considered this motion. No party objected to granting the Motion to Withdraw Petition to Intervene of Alliance and Splitrock. An Order Granting Motion to Withdraw Petition to Intervene of Alliance and Splitrock was issued on March 25, 2004.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31, including 1-26-18, 1-26-19, 49-31-3, 49-31-7, 49-31-7.1, 49-31-11, 49-31-78, 49-31-81; ARSD 20:10:32:42 through 20:10:32:46, inclusive; and 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1) through (5).

On March 22, 2004, the Commission received a Motion to Withdraw Petition of West River Telecommunications Cooperative (West River). At its April 6, 2004, meeting, the Commission considered this motion. No party objected to granting the Motion to Withdraw Petition of West River. The Commission voted to grant the motion.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Motion to Withdraw Petition of West River is granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 19th day of April, 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: Helaine Kalbo

Date: 4/20/04

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman *dk*

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