

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

**IN THE MATTER OF UNAUTHORIZED LONG)
DISTANCE CHANGES AND UNAUTHORIZED)
TELEPHONE CHARGES MADE BY REDUCED)
RATE LONG DISTANCE, LLC)**

**ORDER GRANTING
INTERVENTION**

TC07-107

On October 5, 2007, Staff filed a Motion for Order to Show Cause against Reduced Rate Long Distance, LLC (Reduced Rate) based on twenty-three consumer complaints of cramming and slamming activity by Reduced Rate. Staff alleges Reduced Rate changed consumer long distance providers and/or added fees to consumer bills through deceptive practices and without proper authorization.

On October 11, 2007, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 26, 2007, to interested individuals and entities. On October 10, 2007, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from Midcontinent Communications (Midcontinent). At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 18, 2007, the Commission granted intervention to Midcontinent. On December 27, 2007, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from PrairieWave Black Hills, LLC and PrairieWave Telecommunications, Inc. (collectively PrairieWave).

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.05.

At a regularly scheduled meeting of January 15, 2008, the Commission found that the Petition to Intervene demonstrated good cause to grant intervention. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of PrairieWave is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 18th day of January, 2008.

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, electronically.
By: <u>Delaine Kalbo</u>
Date: <u>1/18/08</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Chairman

Dustin M. Johnson
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Commissioner

Steve Kolbeck
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner