

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
WIDEVOICE COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR A )  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE )  
INTEREXCHANGE TELECOMMUNICATIONS )  
SERVICES AND LOCAL EXCHANGE )  
SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA )**

**ORDER PERMITTING  
WITHDRAWAL OF FILING  
AND CLOSING DOCKET**

**TC09-083**

On August 11, 2009, WideVoice Communications, Inc (Widevoice) filed an application for a certificate of authority to enter the South Dakota market as a provider of local and interexchange service, as well as switched access service, long distance resale, advanced services and high speed digital service. WideVoice specifically requests authority to operate as a provider of facilities-based and resale local exchange telecommunications services in eligible interconnection areas in South Dakota, Qwest's incumbent local exchange areas, as well as authority to offer interexchange interLATA and intraLATA services statewide.

On August 27, 2009, the South Dakota Telecommunications Association filed a Petition to Intervene. Midstate Communications and Midstate Telecom Inc. filed a Petition to Intervene on August 28, 2009. The Commission granted intervention to SDTA and Midstate at its September 8, 2009, meeting.

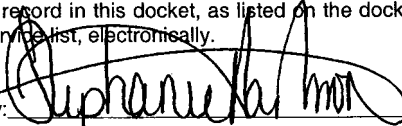
On November 20, 2009, WideVoice requested withdrawal of its application. On November 23, 2009, the Commission received a request from WideVoice to reinstate the application. On January 27, 2010, a request was received to withdraw the application of WideVoice for a certificate of authority within South Dakota originally filed on August 11, 2009.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of February 9, 2010, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31. The Commission approved WideVoice's request to withdraw its filing and closed the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that WideVoice shall be permitted to withdraw its filing, and it is further

ORDERED, that this docket is closed.

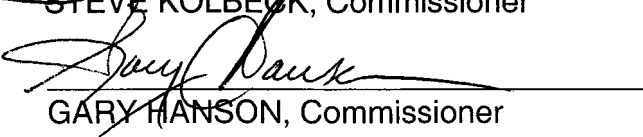
Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2010.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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.
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Chairman

  
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner

  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner