

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPROVAL OF
THE AMENDMENT TO THE)
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)
BETWEEN QWEST CORPORATION AND)
SOUTH DAKOTA NETWORK, LLC)**

**ORDER APPROVING
AMENDMENT TO
AGREEMENT**

TC11-014

On April 11, 2011, the Commission received an Amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and South Dakota Network, LLC. The parties have amended the agreement by adding terms and conditions related to xDSL Capable Loops. The parties have agreed to implement the provisions of this Amendment the later of April 8, 2011, or upon the Commission approval date.

On April 14, 2011, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing of the amendment to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until May 3, 2011, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its August 24, 2011, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the negotiated amendment to the agreement between Qwest Corporation and South Dakota Network, LLC. Commission Staff recommended 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 agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement and the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the agreement.

It is therefore

ORDERED, that the amendment to the Wireline Interconnection Agreement between Qwest and South Dakota Network, LLC is hereby approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 26th day of August, 2011.

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>Tina Douglas</u>
Date: <u>8-26-11</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Chairman

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Vice Chairman

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner