

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF )  
NEW HORIZONS COMMUNICATIONS )  
CORP. FOR AN AMENDED CERTIFICATE )  
OF AUTHORITY )**

**ORDER GRANTING AMENDED  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY**

**TC14-086**

On November 19, 2014, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from New Horizons Communications Corp. (New Horizons) requesting its certificate of authority be amended to include the authority to offer prepaid services and collect deposits. New Horizons submitted a \$25,000 bond with its filing. Previously, on October 2, 2014, New Horizons was granted a certificate of authority to provide local exchange services subject to the condition that it not offer any prepaid services, for retail purposes, (including prepaid calling cards) and that it not accept or require any deposits or advance payments without prior Commission approval (TC14-072).


On November 20, 2014, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of December 5, 2014, to interested individuals and entities. No parties sought intervention.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 23, 2014, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:32:02 and 20:10:32:03. The Commission finds that New Horizons has met the legal requirements established for the granting of an amended certificate of authority. New Horizons has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission unanimously voted to approve New Horizons' request for an amended certificate of authority, subject to a continuous \$25,000 surety bond. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

**ORDERED**, that New Horizons' request for an amended certificate of authority is hereby granted. It is further

**ORDERED**, that New Horizons is subject to a \$25,000 surety bond.

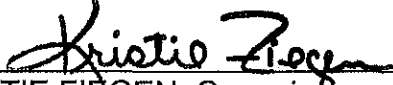
Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 30th day of December, 2014.

<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.
By: 
Date: <u>12-30-14</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
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GARY HANSON, Chairman

  
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CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

  
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KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner