

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
CLARITY TELECOM, LLC DBA VAST )  
BROADBAND FOR AN AMENDED CERTIFICATE )  
OF AUTHORITY )**

**ORDER GRANTING  
INTERVENTION**

**TC16-009**

On June 20, 2016, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an Application for Amended Certificate of Authority (Application) from Clarity Telecom, LLC dba Vast Broadband (Clarity). In the Application, Clarity seeks an amendment to its existing certificate of authority in order to allow Clarity to provide local exchange service in the Brookings, South Dakota service area.

On June 23, 2016, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 8, 2016, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. Petitions to intervene were filed by the South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA), Brookings Municipal Utilities dba Swiftel Communications (Swiftel), and MCC Telephony of the Midwest, Inc. dba Mediacom (MCC). Clarity filed an Opposition to Petition of SDTA to Intervene on July 22, 2016. Commission Staff filed a Memorandum in Response to Opposition to Petition of SDTA to Intervene on July 25, 2016.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:01 and 20:10:32.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on August 2, 2016, meeting, the Commission considered the petitions to intervene. Clarity stated it did not object to granting the petitions to intervene of Swiftel and MCC. The Commission found that the petitions to intervene demonstrated good cause to grant intervention and voted unanimously to grant intervention to SDTA, Swiftel, and MCC. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of SDTA is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of Swiftel is hereby granted. It is further

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 4th day of August, 2016.

**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 or by mail.

By: Adam H. Huesch

Date: 8/4/16

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner