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January 29, 1999

VIA AIRBORNE EXPRESS

Mr. William Bullard
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501-5070
(605) 773-3201

Re: Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.

Dear Mr. Bullard:

Enclosed please find one original and ten (10) copies of Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.'s Application for Registration of a Telecommunications Company.

In order to expedite the processing of this application, I would like to suggest that all requests for information by the analyst be made by either telephone or facsimile. I will make every effort to respond on the day of the request.

I have also enclosed a check in the amount of \$250.00 payable to the "South Dakota Public Utilities Commission" for the filing fee, and an extra copy of this cover letter to be date stamped and returned to me in the enclosed self-addressed prepaid envelope.

If you have any questions or if I may provide you with any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully Submitted,


Lance J.M. Steinhart
Attorney for Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.

Enclosures
cc: Laura Booker

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION
 OF ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.
 FILED WITH THE
 SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE)
 APPLICATION OF)
 ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.)
 FOR AN ORDER) Docket No. _____
 AUTHORIZING THE REGISTRATION)
 OF APPLICANT AS A)
 TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANY)

APPLICATION

Application is hereby made to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for an Order authorizing Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc. ("Applicant") to register as a telecommunications company within the State of South Dakota. The following information is furnished in support thereof:

1. Name, Address and Telephone Number of Applicant:

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.
 412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207
 Tampa, Florida 33602
 (813) 273-6789

2. The name under which the Applicant will provide these services if different than in 1. above:

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.

3. Applicant's corporate information:

Applicant was incorporated in the State of Florida on September 23, 1991. A copy of Applicant's Articles of Incorporation is attached hereto as Exhibit A. A copy of Applicant's Certificate of Authority to transact business as a foreign corporation in the State of South Dakota is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

The Applicant has no principal office in South Dakota. The name and address of the Applicant's registered agent are:

National Registered Agents, Inc.
300 South Phillips Avenue, Ste. 300
Sioux Falls, SD 57102

The names and address of each corporation, association, partnership, cooperative, or individual holding a 20% or greater ownership or management interest in the Applicant corporation and the amount and character of the ownership or management interest are as follows:

Name and Address	Shares Owned	Percentage of all Shares Issued and Outstanding and Voting Control
Curt Barnes	100	100%

The above shareholder can be reached at Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc., 412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207, Tampa, Florida 33602, (813) 273-6789.

4. Partnership Information:

Not Applicable.

5. Description of Services Applicant intends to offer:

Applicant is a reseller which intends to offer 1+ and 101XXXX direct outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, and travel card service.

6. Means by which the Applicant intends to provide services:

Applicant does not own or maintain any transmission facilities or switching equipment in the State of South Dakota. The Applicant will provide services through Frontier Communications, its underlying carriers, or other certified carriers. As a reseller, Applicant has no points of presence in the State of South Dakota, thus Applicant neither owns, leases, nor operates any switching, transmission, or other physical facilities in the State of South Dakota, and no such facilities will be used by Applicant in providing service in the State of South Dakota. Rather, Applicant will be engaged in reselling services provided by facilities-based carriers within the State of South Dakota.

7. Geographic Areas in which services will be offered:

Applicant intends to provide services on a statewide basis.

8. Financial Qualifications:

Applicant is financially qualified to provide intrastate interexchange telecommunications services within South Dakota. In particular, Applicant has adequate access to the capital necessary to fulfill any obligations it may undertake with respect to the provision of intrastate telecommunications

services in the State of South Dakota. See Exhibit C, which is attached hereto, Applicant's Balance Sheet and Income Statement for the 11 months ended November 30, 1998, which demonstrate that Applicant has the financial ability to provide the services that it proposes to offer.

9. Applicant's complaints and regulatory matters contact and how Applicant handles customer billings and customer service matters.

All inquiries regarding regulatory matters should be addressed to:

Laura Booker, Assistant Secretary
412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207
Tampa, Florida 33602
(800) 966-6950 (Phone)
(813) 224-9111 (Fax)

All inquiries regarding complaints should be addressed to:

Lesa Reich, Customer Service Manager
412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207
Tampa, Florida 33602
(800) 966-6950 (Phone)
(813) 224-9111 (Fax)

The Applicant's customers will be direct billed utilizing "real-time" completed call detail information from Applicant's underlying carriers and its own switching equipment. Applicant's toll-free number will be on all invoices and customer service will be provided in-house by the Applicant.

10. Regulatory Status:

Applicant is currently in the process of obtaining all required authorizations from the state regulatory agencies. Applicant is currently authorized to provide service in the District of Columbia, Florida, Iowa, Michigan, Montana, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Virginia and Wyoming. The Applicant has never been denied registration or certification in any state. The Applicant is in good standing with the appropriate regulatory agency in the states where it is registered or certified.

11. Description of Marketing

Applicant intends to market its services to primarily to small to mid-sized businesses and residential customers. All sales personnel will have telecommunications service experience. Applicant will market through direct sales by employees and agents. Applicant does not intend to engage in multilevel marketing. No marketing materials are available at this time.

12. Cost Support:

Applicant intends to provide services at a price above its cost.

13. Federal Tax Identification Number:

95-3089574

14. The Number and Nature of Complaints filed against the Applicant with any state or federal regulatory commission regarding the unauthorized switching of a customer's telecommunications provider and the act of charging customers for services that have not been ordered:

None

15. **Tariff**

A copy of Applicant's proposed tariff is attached hereto as Exhibit D.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned Applicant requests that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission enter an order granting this application.

DATED this 24th day of July, 1999.

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.

By: 
Lance J. Steinhart, Its Counsel

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Suite 285
Duluth, Georgia 30097
(770) 232-9200

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

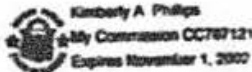
Curt Barnes, being first duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the President of Atlantic Telephone Co., Inc., the Applicant in the proceeding entitled above, that he has read the foregoing application and knows the contents thereof; that the same are true of his knowledge, except as to matters which are therein stated on information or belief, and to those matters he believes them to be true.

Curt D. Barnes
Curt Barnes

Subscribed and sworn to before this 7 day of December 1998.

Kimberly A. Phillips
Notary Public

My Commission expires: 11-01-2002



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LIST OF EXHIBITS

- A - ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**
- B - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY**
- C - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**
- D - PROPOSED TARIFF**

EXHIBIT A - ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

State of Florida



Department of State

I certify the attached is a true and correct copy of the Articles of Incorporation of ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC., a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on September 23, 1991, as shown by the records of this office.

The document number of this corporation is S82779.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of Florida
at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this the
Ninth day of December, 1998



CR2EO22 (2-95)

Sandra B. Northman

Sandra B. Northman
Secretary of State

INCORPORATION

The undersigned, **ACT**
General Corporation Act
such corporations
INCORPORATED. The purpose
INC.

ator of a Corporation under the Florida
Articles of Incorporation for
INCORPORATED COMPANY

2. NATURE

3. PURPOSE

permitted under the laws of the United States of America and of Florida.

4. CAPITAL STOCK

one class at \$1.00 par value.

5. INITIAL REGISTERED

initial registered

6. INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

directors initially. The number of directors may increase or decrease from time to time by an amendment to the laws of the corporation in the manner provided by law.

The names and addresses of the directors and shareholders of this

Granada Boulevard, Suite One
Beach, Florida 32176

7. INCORPORATORS

articles of incorporation is:

Granada Boulevard, Suite One
Beach, Florida 32176

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APR 23 1964
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

* 1555 02120

The Corporation's principal

111 East ... Boulevard, Suite One ...
Ground Floor ...

9. SHAREHOLDER QUORUM AND VOTING

entitled to vote, represented and in person or by proxy, shall constitute a quorum and a meeting of the shareholders. If ... of 50% of the shares represented by ... subject matter shall be the ...

10. PRE-EMPTION

the right to purchase shares ... convertible into shares ... class, kind or series of stock in the corporation that may from time to time be issued (whether or not presently authorized), including shares from the treasury of this corporation, in the ratio that the number of shares he holds at the time of the issue bears to the total number of shares by any shareholder who does not exercise and may be exercised within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice in writing and conditions of the issue ... The right may be waived by the shareholder to the corporation.

11. SPECIAL ACTION OF DIRECTORS

any action to be taken by the corporation and the writ to evidence thereof, consent, filed with the secretary of the corporation, the action shall be validly authorized in a meeting of the board ...

IN WITNESS WHEREOF

Articles of Incorporation

I affirmatively agree to act as president for the above-mentioned corporation.

David Frantz
DAVID FRANTZ
President

* 1555 021217

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF

BEFORE ME the undersigned
FRACER to me known to be the person who
of Incorporation and he acknowledged
statement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
day of *September* 1999

Notary Public, Susan R. [unclear]
the foregoing articles
me that he executed said
set my hand and seal this

My Commission Expires

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA AT LARGE
BY COMMISSION EXPIRES 12/31/02
BONITA BEY INCORPORATED & ASSOCIATES

FILED
OCT 23 1999
CLERK OF THE COURT
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

* 5551 2028

State of Florida



Department of State

I certify from the records of this office that ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC., is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Florida, filed on September 23, 1991.

The document number of this corporation is S82779.

I further certify that said corporation has paid all fees and penalties due this office through December 31, 1998, that its most recent annual report was filed on July 29, 1998, and its status is active.

I further certify that said corporation has not filed Articles of Dissolution.

Given under my hand and the
Great Seal of the State of Florida
at Tallahassee, the Capitol, this the
Ninth day of December, 1998



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Sandra B. Moriham
Secretary of State

EXHIBIT B - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

State of South Dakota

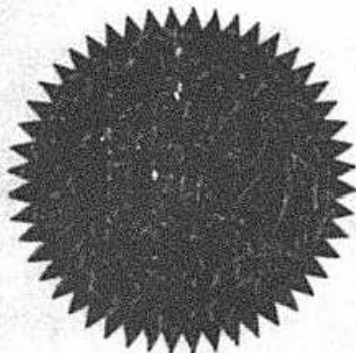


OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

I, JOYCE HAZELTINE, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Application for a Certificate of Authority of ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. (FL) to transact business in this state duly signed and verified pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Corporation Acts, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Authority and attach hereto a duplicate of the application to transact business in this state.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this January 12, 1999.

Joyce Hazeltine
JOYCE HAZELTINE
Secretary of State

EXHIBIT C - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.
Income Statement
For the Eleven Months Ending November 30, 1998

	Current Month		Year to Date	
Revenues				
Sales - I-	27,429.34	91.82	675,374.62	78.63
Sales - Conf. Calls	0.00	0.00	7,012.53	0.82
Interest Income	0.00	0.00	46.20	0.01
Other Income	854.50	2.86	62,632.91	7.29
Commissions Income	0.00	0.00	20.05	0.00
Gain <Loss> on Debt Settlement	0.00	0.00	106,324.98	12.38
Finance Charge Income	1,587.63	5.31	7,560.03	0.88
Total Revenues	29,871.47	100.00	858,971.32	100.00
Cost of Sales				
Cost of Goods Sold - Traffic	17,943.73	60.07	592,451.19	68.97
Cost of Sales - Carrier Circu	52,167.99	174.64	201,397.86	23.45
Cost of Sales - Conf Call	0.00	0.00	5,995.85	0.70
Cost of Sales- Other	0.00	0.00	4,086.45	0.48
Total Cost of Sales	70,111.72	234.71	803,931.35	93.59
Gross Profit	<40,240.25>	<134.71>	55,039.97	6.41
Expenses				
Advertising Expense	0.00	0.00	1,126.00	0.13
Alarm Monitoring	0.00	0.00	115.62	0.01
Auto Expenses	0.00	0.00	768.06	0.09
Bad Debt Expense	0.00	0.00	5,462.00	0.64
Bank Charges	0.00	0.00	1,151.56	0.13
Cash Over and Short	0.00	0.00	<94.28>	<0.01>
Circuit Installation	0.00	0.00	2,980.00	0.35
Commissions and Fees Exp	64.43	0.22	10,728.26	1.25
Credit Reporting Expense	0.00	0.00	26.50	0.00
Depreciation Expense-Furniture	12.00	0.04	222.00	0.03
Depreciation Expense-Computer	28.00	0.09	308.00	0.04
Depreciation Expense-Signs	3.00	0.01	33.00	0.00
Depreciation Expense-Equipment	492.00	1.65	5,412.00	0.63
Dues and Subscriptions Exp	0.00	0.00	1,935.00	0.23
Employee Benefit Programs Exp	0.00	0.00	415.10	0.05
Freight Expense	0.00	0.00	82.97	0.01
Insurance Expense	588.53	1.97	6,271.57	0.73
Interest Expense	0.00	0.00	4,727.44	0.55
Late Fees	459.02	1.54	3,897.34	0.45
Legal and Professional Expense	0.00	0.00	257.38	0.03
Licenses Expense	888.55	2.97	1,567.30	0.18
Maintenance Expense	100.00	0.33	1,710.94	0.20
Maintenance Expense - Switch	0.00	0.00	62.50	0.01
Marketing Expense	0.00	0.00	232.24	0.03
Meals and Entertainment Exp	424.58	1.42	1,783.80	0.21
Office Expense	0.00	0.00	560.57	0.07
Office Supplies Expense	696.82	2.33	3,763.30	0.44
Office Furniture Expense	0.00	0.00	204.80	0.02
Other Taxes	0.00	0.00	135.83	0.02
Parking Expense	48.00	0.16	80.60	0.01
Paging Expense	0.00	0.00	92.52	0.01
Payroll Tax Expense	142.75	0.48	2,874.73	0.33
Penalties and Fines Exp	0.00	0.00	3,226.79	0.38
PIC Charges	2,790.80	9.34	37,147.31	4.32
Property Tax Expense	1,200.45	4.02	1,200.45	0.14
Professional Service Expense	0.00	0.00	235.50	0.03

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Postage Expense	771.85	2.58	4,652.70	0.54
Printing	81.15	0.27	1,428.87	0.17
Rent or Lease Expense	4,271.63	14.30	33,594.78	3.91
Salaries Expense	1,500.00	5.02	70,074.86	8.16
Telephone Expense	218.97	0.73	7,057.13	0.82
Travel Expense	3,242.82	10.86	18,391.07	2.14
Utilities Expense	223.01	0.75	2,924.26	0.34
Other Expense	3,161.08	10.58	60,824.96	7.08
Fraud Loss	0.00	0.00	5,449.24	0.63
Non-Employee Comp. Exp	0.00	0.00	22,428.35	2.61
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Total Expenses	21,409.44	71.67	327,530.92	38.13
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Net Income	\$ <61,649.69>	<206.38>	\$ <272,490.95>	<31.72>
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For Management Purposes Only

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.
Balance Sheet
November 30, 1998

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Petty Cash	\$ 100.00
Operating Account	<5,739.32>
Accounts Receivable - Carrier	56,929.50
Accounts Receivable - 1+	85,234.47
Allowance for Doubtful Account	<4,839.75>
Prepaid Expense--Long Distance	100,000.00
Prepaid Expenses	584.78
Employee Advances	1,000.00
Credits Pending	27,083.91
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Total Current Assets	260,353.59
Property and Equipment	
Computer	10,392.74
Furniture and Fixtures	3,061.50
Equipment	110,834.18
Automobiles	141,071.47
Signs	590.00
Leasehold Improvements	2,836.83
Accum. Depreciation-Furniture	<2,538.00>
Accum. Depreciation-Equipment	<64,351.00>
Accum. Depreciation -- Signs	<600.00>
Accum. Depreciation -- Compute	<9,565.00>
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Total Property and Equipment	191,732.72
Other Assets	
Deposits	16,249.74
Organization Costs	450.00
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Total Other Assets	16,249.74
Total Assets	\$ 468,336.05

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 279,360.14
Excise Tax Payable	18,744.51
Sales Tax Payable	19,305.75
City Tax Payable	13,922.93
Gross Receipts Payable	12,799.72
Federal Payroll Taxes Payable	431.78
Contracts Payable- Current	116,166.13
Inter-Company Loans	334,533.89
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Total Current Liabilities	795,264.85
Long-Term Liabilities	
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Total Long-Term Liabilities	0.00
Total Liabilities	795,264.85

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Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc.
Balance Sheet
November 30, 1998

Capital		
Common Stock	200.00	
Retained Earnings	<54,637.85>	
Net Income	<172,490.95>	
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Total Capital		<326,928.80>
Total Liabilities & Capital	\$	<hr/> <hr/> 468,336.05

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EXHIBIT D - PROPOSED TARIFF

ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

ORIGINAL SHEET 1

SOUTH DAKOTA PUC TARIFF NO. 1

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

TITLE SHEET

SOUTH DAKOTA TELECOMMUNICATIONS TARIFF

This tariff contains the descriptions, regulations, and rates applicable to the furnishing of service or facilities for Telecommunications Services furnished by Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc. ("ATC"), with principal offices at 412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207, Tampa, Florida 33602. This tariff applies for services furnished within the State of South Dakota. This tariff is on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission, and copies may be inspected, during normal business hours, at the company's principal place of business.

ISSUED: February 1, 1999

EFFECTIVE: , 1999

ISSUED BY:

Curt Barnes

412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207
Tampa, Florida 33602

ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

ORIGINAL SHEET 2

SOUTH DAKOTA PUC TARIFF NO. 1

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

RESERVED FOR FUTURE USE

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ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

ORIGINAL SHEET 3

SOUTH DAKOTA PUC TARIFF NO. 1

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

CHECK SHEET

The Sheets of this tariff are effective as of the date shown at the bottom of the respective sheet(s). Original and revised sheets as named below comprise all changes from the original tariff and are currently in effect as of the date on the bottom of this sheet.

<u>SHEET</u>	<u>REVISION</u>
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28	Original

* New or Revised Sheet

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFFTARIFF FORMAT

A. Sheet Numbering: Sheet numbers appear in the upper right corner of the page. Sheets are numbered sequentially. However, new sheets are occasionally added to the tariff. When a new sheet is added between sheets already in effect, a decimal is added. For example, a new sheet added between pages 11 and 12 would be page 11.1.

B. Sheet Revision Numbers: Revision numbers also appear in the upper right corner of each sheet where applicable. These numbers are used to indicate the most current page version on file with the Commission. For example, 4th Revised Sheet 13 cancels 3rd Revised Sheet 13. Consult the Check Sheet for the sheets currently in effect.

C. Paragraph Numbering Sequence: There are nine levels of paragraph coding. Each level of coding is subservient to its next higher level:

- 2.
- 2.1
- 2.1.1
- 2.1.1.A
- 2.1.1.A.1
- 2.1.1.A.1.(a)
- 2.1.1.A.1.(a).I
- 2.1.1.A.1.(a).I.(i)
- 2.1.1.A.1.(a).I.(i).(1)

D. Check Sheets: When a tariff filing is made with the Commission, an updated Check Sheet accompanies the tariff filing. The Check Sheet lists the sheets contained in the tariff, with a cross reference to the current Revision Number. When new sheets are added, the Check Sheet is changed to reflect the revision. All revisions made in a given filing are designated by an asterisk (*). There will be no other symbols used on this sheet if these are the only changes made to it (i.e., the format, etc. remains the same, just revised revision levels on some sheets). The tariff user should refer to the latest Check Sheet to find out if a particular sheet is the most current on Commission file.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF

SYMBOLS

The following are the only symbols used for the purposes indicated below:

- (C) to signify change in regulation
- (D) to signify a deletion
- (I) to signify a rate increase
- (L) to signify material relocated in the tariff
- (N) to signify a new rate or regulation
- (R) to signify a rate reduction
- (T) to signify a change in text, but no change in rate or regulation

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Curt Barnes
412 E. Madison Street, Suite 1207
Tampa, Florida 33602

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFFSECTION 1 - TECHNICAL TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

Access Line - An arrangement from a local exchange telephone company or other common carrier, using either dedicated or switched access, which connects a Customer's location to ATC's location or switching center.

Authorization Code - A numerical code, one or more of which may be assigned to a Customer, to enable ATC to identify the origin of the Customer so it may rate and bill the call. Automatic number identification (ANI) is used as the authorization code wherever possible.

Commission - Used throughout this tariff to mean the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Customer - The person, firm, corporation or other legal entity which orders the services of ATC and is responsible for the payment of charges and for compliance with the Company's tariff regulations.

Company or ATC - Used throughout this tariff to mean Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc., a Florida Corporation.

Dedicated Access - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a direct path from the Customer's location to the Company's point of presence.

Holiday - New Year's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. Holidays shall be billed at the evening rate from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. After 11 p.m., the lower night rate shall go into effect.

Resp. Org - Responsible Organization or entity identified by an 800 service Customer that manages and administers records in the 800 database and management system.

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Switched Access - The Customer gains entry to the Company's services by a transmission line that is switched through the local exchange carrier to reach the Company's point of presence.

Telecommunications - The transmission of voice communications or, subject to the transmission capabilities of the services, the transmission of data, facsimile, signaling, metering, or other similar communications.

Underlying Carrier - The telecommunications carrier whose network facilities provide the technical capability and capacity necessary for the transmission and reception of Customer telecommunications traffic.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFFSECTION 2 - RULES AND REGULATIONS2.1 Undertaking of the Company

This tariff contains the regulations and rates applicable to intrastate resale telecommunications services provided by ATC for telecommunications between points within the State of South Dakota. Resale services are furnished subject to the availability of facilities and subject to the terms and conditions of this tariff in compliance with limitations set forth in the Commission's rules. The Company's services are provided on a statewide basis and are not intended to be limited geographically. The Company offers service to all those who desire to purchase service from the Company consistent with all of the provisions of this tariff. Customers interested in the Company's services shall file a service application with the Company which fully identifies the Customer, the services requested and other information requested by the Company. The Company reserves the right to examine the credit record and check the references of all applicants and Customers. The Company may examine the credit profile/record of any applicant prior to accepting the service order. The service application shall not in itself obligate the Company to provide services or to continue to provide service if a later check of applicant's credit record is, in the opinion of the Company, contrary to the best interest of the Company. The Company may act as the Customer's agent for ordering access connection facilities provided by other carriers or entities when authorized by the Customer, to allow connection of a Customer's location to a service provided by the Company. The Customer shall be responsible for all charges due for such service arrangement.

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- 2.1.1 The services provided by ATC are not part of a joint undertaking with any other entity providing telecommunications channels, facilities, or services, but may involve the resale of the Message Toll Services (MTS) and Wide Area Telecommunications Services (WATS) of underlying common carriers subject to the jurisdiction of this Commission.
- 2.1.2 The rates and regulations contained in this tariff apply only to the resale services furnished by ATC and do not apply, unless otherwise specified, to the lines, facilities, or services provided by a local exchange telephone company or other common carriers for use in accessing the services of ATC.
- 2.1.3 The Company reserves the right to limit the length of communications, to discontinue furnishing services, or limit the use of service necessitated by conditions beyond its control, including, without limitation: lack of satellite or other transmission medium capacity; the revision, alteration or repricing of the Underlying Carrier's tariffed offerings; or when the use of service becomes or is in violation of the law or the provisions of this tariff.

2.2 Use of Services

- 2.2.1 ATC's services may be used for any lawful purpose consistent with the transmission and switching parameters of the telecommunications facilities utilized in the provision of services, subject to any limitations set forth in this Section 2.2.
- 2.2.2 The use of ATC's services to make calls which might reasonably be expected to frighten, abuse, torment, or harass another or in such a way as to unreasonably interfere with use by others is prohibited.

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- 2.2.3 The use of ATC's services without payment for service or attempting to avoid payment for service by fraudulent means or devices, schemes, false or invalid numbers, or false calling or credit cards is prohibited.
- 2.2.4 ATC's services are available for use twenty-four hours per day, seven days per week.
- 2.2.5 ATC does not transmit messages, but the services may be used for that purpose.
- 2.2.6 ATC's services may be denied for nonpayment of charges or for other violations of this tariff.
- 2.2.7 Customers shall not use the service provided under this tariff for any unlawful purpose.
- 2.2.8 The Customer is responsible for notifying the Company immediately of any unauthorized use of services.

2.3 Liability of the Company

- 2.3.1 The Company shall not be liable for any claim, loss, expense or damage for any interruption, delay, error, omission, or defect in any service, facility or transmission provided under this tariff, if caused by the Underlying Carrier, an act of God, fire, war, civil disturbance, act of government, or due to any other causes beyond the Company's control.
- 2.3.2 The Company shall not be liable for, and shall be fully indemnified and held harmless by the Customer against any claim, loss, expense, or damage for defamation, libel, slander, invasion, infringement of copyright or patent, unauthorized use of any trademark, trade name or service mark, proprietary or creative right, or any other injury to any person, property or entity arising out of the material, data or information transmitted.

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- 2.3.3 No agent or employee of any other carrier or entity shall be deemed to be an agent or employee of the Company.
- 2.3.4 Reserved for Future Use
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- 2.3.7 The remedies set forth herein are exclusive and in lieu of all other warranties and remedies, whether express, implied, or statutory, INCLUDING WITHOUT LIMITATION IMPLIED WARRANTIES OF MERCHANTABILITY AND FITNESS FOR A PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

2.4 Responsibilities of the Customer

- 2.4.1 The Customer is responsible for placing any necessary orders and complying with tariff regulations. The Customer is also responsible for the payment of charges for services provided under this tariff.
- 2.4.2 The Customer is responsible for charges incurred for special construction and/or special facilities which the Customer requests and which are ordered by ATC on the Customer's behalf.
- 2.4.3 If required for the provision of ATC's services, the Customer must provide any equipment space, supporting structure, conduit and electrical power without charge to ATC.
- 2.4.4 The Customer is responsible for arranging access to its premises at times mutually agreeable to ATC and the Customer when required for ATC personnel to install, repair, maintain, program, inspect or remove equipment associated with the provision of ATC's services.
- 2.4.5 The Customer shall cause the temperature and relative humidity in the equipment space provided by Customer for the installation of ATC's equipment to be maintained within the range normally provided for the operation of microcomputers.

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- 2.4.6 The Customer shall ensure that the equipment and/or system is properly interfaced with ATC's facilities or services, that the signals emitted into ATC's network are of the proper mode, bandwidth, power and signal level for the intended use of the subscriber and in compliance with criteria set forth in this tariff, and that the signals do not damage equipment, injure personnel, or degrade service to other Customers. If the Federal Communications Commission or some other appropriate certifying body certifies terminal equipment as being technically acceptable for direct electrical connection with interstate communications service, ATC will permit such equipment to be connected with its channels without the use of protective interface devices. If the Customer fails to maintain the equipment and/or the system properly, with resulting imminent harm to ATC equipment, personnel or the quality of service to other Customers, ATC may, upon written notice, require the use of protective equipment at the Customer's expense. If this fails to produce satisfactory quality and safety, ATC may, upon written notice, terminate the Customer's service.
- 2.4.7 The Customer must pay ATC for replacement or repair of damage to the equipment or facilities of ATC caused by negligence or willful act of the Customer or others, by improper use of the services, or by use of equipment provided by Customer or others.
- 2.4.8 The Customer must pay for the loss through theft of any ATC equipment installed at Customer's premises.
- 2.4.9 If ATC installs equipment at Customer's premises, the Customer shall be responsible for payment of any applicable installation charge.

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- 2.4.10 The Customer must use the services offered in this tariff in a manner consistent with the terms of this tariff and the policies and regulations of all state, federal and local authorities having jurisdiction over the service.

2.5 Cancellation or Interruption of Services

- 2.5.1 Without incurring liability, upon five (5) working days' (defined as any day on which the company's business office is open and the U.S. Mail is delivered) written notice to the Customer, ATC may immediately discontinue services to a Customer or may withhold the provision of ordered or contracted services:
- 2.5.1.A For nonpayment of any sum due ATC for more than thirty (30) days after issuance of the bill for the amount due,
- 2.5.1.B For violation of any of the provisions of this tariff,
- 2.5.1.C For violation of any law, rule, regulation, policy of any governing authority having jurisdiction over ATC's services, or
- 2.5.1.D By reason of any order or decision of a court, public service commission or federal regulatory body or other governing authority prohibiting ATC from furnishing its services.

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- 2.5.2 Without incurring liability, ATC may interrupt the provision of services at any time in order to perform tests and inspections to assure compliance with tariff regulations and the proper installation and operation of Customer and ATC's equipment and facilities and may continue such interruption until any items of noncompliance or improper equipment operation so identified are rectified.
- 2.5.3 Service may be discontinued by ATC without notice to the Customer, by blocking traffic to certain countries, cities or NXX exchanges, or by blocking calls using certain Customer authorization codes, when ATC deems it necessary to take such action to prevent unlawful use of its service. ATC will restore service as soon as it can be provided without undue risk, and will, upon request by the Customer affected, assign a new authorization code to replace the one that has been deactivated.
- 2.5.4 The Customer may terminate service upon thirty (30) days written notice for the Company's standard month to month contract. Customer will be liable for all usage on any of the Company's service offerings until the Customer actually leaves the service. Customers will continue to have Company usage until the Customer notifies its local exchange carrier and changes its long distance carrier. Until the Customer so notifies its local exchange carrier, it shall continue to generate and be responsible for long distance usage.

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2.6 Credit Allowance

- 2.6.1 Credit may be given for disputed calls, on a per call basis.
- 2.6.2 Credit shall not be issued for unavailability of long distance services.

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2.7 Restoration of Service

The use and restoration of service shall be in accordance with the priority system specified in part 64, Subpart D of the Rules and Regulations of the Federal Communications Commission.

2.8 Deposit

The Company does not require deposits to commence service.

2.9 Advance Payments

ATC does not require advance payments.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF2.10 Payment and Billing

- 2.10.1 Service is provided and billed on a billing cycle basis, beginning on the date that service becomes effective. Billing is payable upon receipt. A late fee will be assessed on unpaid amounts 30 days after rendition of bills.
- 2.10.2 The customer is responsible for payment of all charges for services furnished to the Customer, as well as to all persons using the Customer's codes, exchange lines, facilities, or equipment, with or without the knowledge or consent of the Customer. The security of the Customer's Authorization Codes, subscribed exchange lines, and direct connect facilities is the responsibility of the Customer. All calls placed using direct connect facilities, subscribed exchange lines, or Authorization Codes will be billed to and must be paid by the Customer. Recurring charges and non-recurring charges are billed in advance. Charges based on actual usage during a month and any accrued interest will be billed monthly in arrears.
- 2.10.3 All bills are presumed accurate, and shall be binding on the customer unless objection is received by the Company in writing within 180 days after such bills are rendered. No credits, refunds, or adjustments shall be granted if demand therefore is not received by the Company in writing within such 180 day period.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF**2.11 Collection Costs**

In the event Company is required to initiate legal proceedings to collect any amounts due to Company for regulated or non-regulated services, equipment or facilities, or to enforce any judgment obtained against a Customer, or for the enforcement of any other provision of this tariff or applicable law, Customer shall, in addition to all amounts due, be liable to Company for all reasonable costs incurred by Company in such proceedings and enforcement actions, including reasonable attorneys' fees, collection agency fees or payments, and court costs. In any such proceeding, the amount of collection costs, including attorneys' fees, due to the Company, will be determined by a court of competent jurisdiction or by the Commission.

2.12 Taxes

All federal, state and local taxes, assessments, surcharges, or fees, including sales taxes, use taxes, gross receipts taxes, and municipal utilities taxes, are billed as separate line items and are not included in the rates quoted herein.

2.13 Late Charge

A late fee of 1.5% per month or the amount otherwise authorized by law, whichever is lower, will be charged on any past due balances.

2.14 Returned Check Charge

A fee of \$20.00 will be charged whenever a check or draft presented for payment for service is not accepted by the institution on which it is written.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFFSECTION 3 - DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE3.1 Computation of Charges

- 3.1.1 The total charge for each completed call may be a variable measured charge dependent on the duration, distance and time of day of the call. The total charge for each completed call may also be dependent only on the duration of the call, i.e. a statewide flat rate per minute charge. The variable measured charge is specified as a rate per minute which is applied to each minute. All calls are measured in six second increments with a one minute minimum per call. All calls are rounded up to the next whole increment.
- 3.1.2 Where mileage bands appear in a rate table, rates for all calls are based upon the airline distance between the originating and terminating points of the call, as determined by the vertical and horizontal coordinates associated with the exchange (the area code and three digit central office code) associated with the originating and terminating telephone numbers. If the Customer obtains access to the Company's network by a dedicated access circuit, that circuit will be assigned an exchange for rating purposes based upon the Customer's main telephone number at the location where the dedicated access circuit terminates. The vertical and horizontal (V & H) coordinates for each exchange and the airline distance between them will be determined according to industry standards.

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3.1.3 Timing begins when the called station is answered and two way communication is possible, as determined by standard industry methods generally in use for ascertaining answer, including hardware answer supervision in which the local telephone company sends a signal to the switch or the software utilizing audio tone detection. Recognition of answer supervision is the responsibility of the Underlying Carrier. Timing for each call ends when either party hangs up. ATC will not bill for uncompleted calls.

3.2 Customer Complaints and/or Billing Disputes

Customer inquiries or complaints regarding service or accounting may be made in writing or by telephone to the Company at:

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(800) 966-6950

Any objection to billed charges should be reported promptly to ATC. Adjustments to Customers' bills shall be made to the extent that records are available and/or circumstances exist which reasonably indicate that such charges are not in accordance with approved rates or that an adjustment may otherwise be appropriate.

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The Company will respond within seventy two (72) hours of receipt of an inquiry. If the Customer is dissatisfied with the Company's response to a complaint or inquiry, the Customer may file the Commission for resolution of the conflict. The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission can be reached at:

500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501-5070
(605) 773-3201
(800) 332-1782
TTY through Relay Service South Dakota -
(800) 877-1113

If a Customer accumulates more than One Dollar of undisputed delinquent ATC 800 Service charges, the ATC Resp. Org. reserves the right not to honor that Customer's request for a Resp. Org. change until such undisputed charges are paid in full.

3.3 Level of Service

A Customer can expect end to end network availability of not less than 99% at all times for all services.

3.4 Billing Entity Conditions

When billing functions on behalf of ATC or its intermediary are performed by local exchange telephone companies or others, the payment of charge conditions and regulations of such companies and any regulations imposed upon these companies by regulatory bodies having jurisdiction apply. ATC's name and toll-free telephone number will appear on the Customer's bill.

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF3.5 Service Offerings

3.5.1 1+ Dialing

This service permits Customers to originate call via switched or dedicated access lines, and to terminate intrastate calls. The Customer dials "1+" followed by "ten digits" or dials "10XXXX" followed by "1+ ten digits".

3.5.2 Travel Cards

The Customer utilizes an 11 digit "toll-free" access number established by the Company to access a terminal. Upon receiving a voice prompt, the Customer uses push button dialing to enter an identification code assigned by the Company, and the ten digit number of the called party.

3.5.3 800 Service (Toll-Free)

This service is inbound calling only where an 800, 888 or other toll-free prefix number rings into a Customer's premise routed to a specific telephone number or terminated over a dedicated facility.

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3.5.4 Directory Assistance.

Access to long distance directory assistance is obtained by dialing 1 + 555-1212 for listings within the originating area code and 1 + (area code) + 555-1212 for other listings. When more than one number is requested in a single call, a charge will apply for each number requested. A charge will be applicable for each number requested, whether or not the number is listed or published.

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3.5.5 Specialized Pricing Arrangements.

Customized service packages and competitive pricing packages at negotiated rates may be furnished on a case-by-case basis in response to requests by Customers to the Company for proposals or for competitive bids. Service offered under this tariff provision will be filed with the Commission. Specialized rates or charges will be made available to similarly situated Customers on a non-discriminatory basis. The Company will notify the Commission of such arrangements as required by Commission rules and regulations.

3.5.6 Emergency Call Handling Procedures

Emergency "911" calls are not routed to company, but are completed through the local network at no charge.

3.5.7 Promotional Offerings

The Company may, from time to time, make promotional offerings to enhance the marketing of its services. These offerings may be limited to certain dates, times and locations. The Company will notify the Commission of such offerings as required by Commission rules and regulations.

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SECTION 4 - RATES

4.1 1+ Dialing

\$0.15 per minute

4.2 Travel Cards

\$.25 per minute

4.3 Toll Free

\$0.15 per minute

4.4 Directory Assistance

\$.95

4.5 Returned Check Charge

\$20.00

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES TARIFF**4.6 Rate Periods**

	Monday - Friday	Sat.	Sun.
8 a.m. to 5 p.m.*	Daytime Rate Period		
5 p.m. to 11 p.m.*	Evening Rate Period		Evening Rate Period
11 p.m. o 8 a.m.*	Night/Weekend Rate Period		

* To, but not including

When a message spans more than one rate period, total charges for the minutes in each rate period are calculated and the results for each rate period are totaled to obtain the total message charge. If the calculation results in a fractional charge, the amount will be rounded down to the lower cent.

4.7 Payphone Dial Around Surcharge

A dial around surcharge of \$.35 per call will be added to any completed INTRASTATE toll access code and subscriber 800/888 type calls placed from a public or semi-public payphone.

4.8 Universal Service Fund Assessment & Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge

The Customer will be assessed a monthly federal Universal Service Fund Contribution charge on all telecommunications services, which in no event shall be less than the prevailing contribution percentage rate charged the Company on intrastate traffic by the Universal Service Administrative Company (or any successor). A Presubscribed Interexchange Carrier Charge ("PICC") applies on a monthly basis to all Customer monthly bills at the prevailing rate.

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Jan 7, 1999

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION BILL

DATE

AMOUNT

\$250.00

Two hundred fifty and 0/100 dollars



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South Dakota Public Utilities Commission

WEEKLY FILINGS

For the Period of January 28, 1999 through February 3, 1999

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NATURAL GAS

- NG99-001 In the Matter of the Filing by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc. for Approval of Gas Extension Policy Rate 120.

Montana-Dakota Utilities is proposing to revise the Gas Extension Policy Rate 120 schedule in order to provide for the use of an Incremental Expansion Surcharge (Surcharge) for certain gas main extension projects. The proposed Surcharge provides for a payment option that may make the required contribution more palatable to the new customers while still ensuring that existing customers are not subsidizing the extension required for serving the new customers.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Date Filed: 02/1/99
Intervention Deadline: 02/19/99

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

- TC99-011 In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel Long Distance, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

CenturyTel Long Distance, Inc. (CenturyTel) is a switchless reseller of interexchange telecommunications services. CenturyTel will offer outbound presubscribed and casual calling service, toll free inbound service and travel card service.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Date Filed: 01/29/99
Intervention Deadline: 02/19/99

- ~~TC99-012~~ In the Matter of the Application of Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services in South Dakota

Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc. (Atlantic) is a reseller which intends to

offer 1+ and 101XXXX direct outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, and travel card service on a statewide basis. Atlantic intends to market its services primarily to small to mid-sized businesses and residential customers.

Staff Attorney: Camron Hoseck
Staff Analyst: Harlan Best
Date Filed: 02/02/99
Intervention Deadline: 02/19/99

TC99-013 In the Matter of the Application of TRI-M Communications, Inc. dba TMC Communications for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.

TRI-M Communications, Inc. dba TMC Communications (TMC) proposes to provide intrastate long distance telecommunications service, including debit cards, over resold transmission facilities. TMC will also provide South Dakota customers with service to foreign countries.

Staff Attorney: Camron Hoseck
Staff Analyst: Michele Farris
Date Filed: 02/3/99
Intervention Deadline: 02/19/99

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
ATLANTIC TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. FOR)
A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)
SOUTH DAKOTA)

ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY

TC99-012

On February 2, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from Atlantic Telephone Company, Inc. (Atlantic).

Atlantic is a reseller which intends to offer 1+ and 101XXXX direct outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, and travel card service. A proposed tariff was filed by Atlantic. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On February 4, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of February 19, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its regularly scheduled March 9, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered Atlantic's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that Atlantic has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Atlantic has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission approves Atlantic's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Atlantic's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, effective April 2, 1999. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that Atlantic shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 15th day of March, 1999.

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, by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u><i>Allexis Kalbs</i></u>
Date: <u>3/16/99</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

To Conduct Business As A Telecommunications Company
Within The State Of South Dakota

Authority was Granted March 9, 1999, effective April 2, 1999
Docket No. TC99-012

This is to certify that

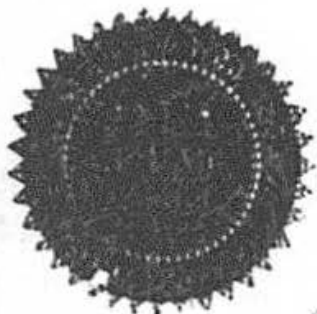
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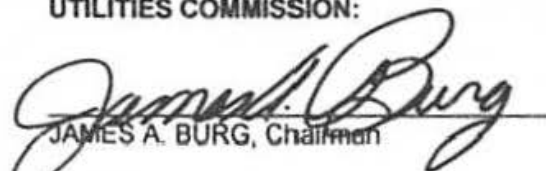
is authorized to provide telecommunications services in South Dakota.

This certificate is issued in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, and is subject to all of the conditions and limitations contained in the rules and statutes governing its conduct of offering telecommunications services.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 15th day of March, 1999.

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
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