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June 11, 2001

Ms. Debra Elofson, Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-5070

Dear Director Elofson:

On behalf of our client, Three River Telco (Three River), we are enclosing.

- an original and ten copies of Three River's application for certification as an interexchange carrier;
- its articles of incorporation and amendments;
- its most recent financial report; and
- a draft of its long-distance services catalog

We are also enclosing the required \$250.00 filing fee. Three River plans to offer long distance services to its local exchange customers in Nebraska and to its customers residing in South Dakota served by the Naper, Nebraska central office. Three River will make this service available to its South Dakota customers on August 14, 2001. A final services catalog will be filed with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission after approval of the enclosed application.

Questions regarding this application should be directed to Neil Classen at (402)569-2666, or to me at (402)398-0062.

Yours truly,



Loretta Calabro

Enclosures

cc: Neil Classen, Three River Telco

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SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Application of Three River)	
Long Distance for Authority to Operate as an)	
Interexchange Carrier of Telecommunications)	Application No. _____
Services for its Customers Located Within the)	
State of South Dakota)	

APPLICATION AND REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY

Application is hereby made to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission for a certificate authorizing Three River Telco ("Applicant") to operate as an interexchange carrier of telecommunications services in the State of South Dakota pursuant to SDCL 49-31-3. Applicant proposes to offer interexchange telecommunications services under the name of Three River Long Distance to its customers located in South Dakota. The following general information and exhibits are furnished in support of the application:

1. Applicant is a rural telephone cooperative, organized as a non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Nebraska from July 28, 1955, to present. On September 10, 1976, Applicant changed its corporate name to Three River Telco from Boyd County Telephone Corporation. A copy of Applicant's articles of incorporation and amendments appears as Exhibit 1. Applicant's federal tax identification number is: 47-0425474. Applicant's legal name, address of its principal office and telephone number are:

Three River Telco
P.O. Box 66
4th and Adams
Lynch, NE 68746
(402)569-2666

2. Questions concerning this application should be directed to Applicant:

Neil Classen, Manager
P.O. Box 66
4th and Adams
Lynch, NE 68746
(402)569-2666

3. Applicant is requesting authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services as a resale carrier to its customers in the State of South Dakota. Network services will be supplied through contractual arrangements with Applicant by other registered interexchange carriers. Applicant has negotiated an agreement with WRLD Alliance for the provision of such services. From time to time, Applicant may offer other services provided by other registered interexchange carriers. All network facilities are the property of other carriers. Applicant contracts with Mid America Computer Corporation (MACC) for billing services. Customer service is available through a toll free number during normal business hours. An answering service is utilized outside normal business hours for emergency purposes. Applicant does not provide alternative operator services nor own or lease facilities.

4. Applicant has no shareholders having a beneficial interest in five percent or more of Applicant's voting securities as Applicant is owned by its members, each member having an equal interest and membership not being transferrable. A copy of Three River Telco's most recent independently prepared financial statements and annual report are attached (see Exhibit 2).

5. Applicant currently transacts business only in the State of Nebraska as an incumbent local exchange carrier providing telecommunications services within its service area, and an interexchange carrier offering interexchange telecommunications services to its local exchange customers. Applicant provides local exchange phone service to eight customers in South Dakota. Service for these eight customers is provided out of Three River Telco's central

office in Naper, Nebraska. This applications seeks interexchange carrier certification in South Dakota so that Applicant can offer interexchange service to its eight customers in South Dakota.

6. No officer, nor any of Applicant's business operations, has been involved in a formal complaint or other investigatory or enforcement proceeding.

7. Applicant proposes to offer switched and dedicated interexchange services and "1+" long distance communications services suitable for voice and limited data applications for its customers in the State of South Dakota. The Applicant does not propose to provide alternative operator services. Applicant attaches as Exhibit 3 a draft of its South Dakota long distance service catalog detailing the terms and conditions of its service. Because Applicant does not offer any noncompetitive or emerging competitive services, Applicant asks for waiver of item 12, cost support for tariffed rates for such services.

8. Applicant proposes to provide its services originating with its eight South Dakota customers.

9. Applicant proposes to serve as a reseller of telecommunications services provided over the networks of an underlying carrier with whom it will contract. Therefore, Applicant will be primarily dependent upon the technical capabilities of its underlying carrier or carriers. However, Applicant itself possesses technical capabilities and employs Neil Classen as its manager. Neil Classen has twenty years experience with Applicant providing local, long distance and data services in connection with Applicant's telecommunications operations.

10. Customer complaints are to be addressed to:

Three River Telco
P.O. Box 66
4th and Adams
Lynch, NE 68746
(402)569-2666
(866)569-2666
Fax: (402)569-4455

11. Applicant submits the following reasons in support of its belief that the public interest will be served by the approval of this application:

a. Applicant's proposed intrastate telecommunications services are developed to serve the long distance needs of subscribers who cannot otherwise realize similar cost savings through major carriers.

b. An increase in the traffic generated through provision of Applicant's proposed intrastate services over existing major carriers' communications facilities will improve the efficiency and reduce major carriers' costs in provision of these services.

c. The public will benefit from greater consumer choice created through the broadening of innovative telecommunications service alternatives and ongoing affordable rates maintained by the additional competitive pressure placed on other competitors

12. The information contained in and attached to this application fully describes Applicant's business and its ability to provide end users and customers with a viable and economical alternative telecommunications service, and demonstrates that Applicant has the resources and ability to provide its services for the benefit of the public.

WHEREFORE, Three River Telco requests that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission enter an order granting a certificate authorizing Three River Telco to operate as an interexchange carrier of telecommunications services in the State of South Dakota pursuant to SDCL 49-31-3.

Respectfully submitted June 15, 2001.

Three River Telco

By: 
Neil Classen, Manager

EXHIBIT 1

STATE OF



NEBRASKA

Department of State

I, Allen J. Beermann, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that

the attached is a true and correct copy of Articles of Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of

BOYD COUNTY TELEPHONE CORPORATION

with registered office at Lincoln, Nebraska, changing the corporate name

THREE RIVER TELCO.

as filed and recorded in the office of the Secretary of State on December 10, 1976.

In Testimony Whereof,

I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska.

Done at Lincoln this

day of _____

in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and _____

Allen J. Beermann
SECRETARY OF STATE

AMENDED
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
BOYD COUNTY TELEPHONE CORPORATION

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That we, the undersigned, have this day voluntarily associated ourselves together for the purpose of forming and becoming a Corporation under the "General Non-profit Corporation Law of the State of Nebraska", 1 Rev. Stat. of Neb. 1943, Sec. 21-1523 et seq, and for that purpose do hereby adopt these articles of incorporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation is:

Boyd County Telephone Corporation.

ARTICLE II

(a) The principal office of the Corporation shall be located at Lynch, Boyd County, Nebraska.

(b) The resident agent, upon whom all notices and processes, including service of summons, may be served ^{shall} be Thomas J. Coursoy, at Lynch, County of Boyd, State of Nebraska.

ARTICLE III

The nature of the business, or objects or purposes to be transacted promoted and carried on by the Corporation shall be:

(a) To furnish, improve and expand telephone service on a co-operative non-profit basis;

(b) To construct, erect, purchase, lease as lessee, or otherwise acquire, and to own, hold, maintain, operate, improve, expand, install and equip, and to sell, assign, convey, lease as lessor, exchange mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of or encumber telephone lines, facilities or systems, lands, buildings, structures, plants, equipment, exchanges, and any other real or personal property, tangible or intangible, which shall be deemed necessary, useful, or appropriate to accomplish any or all of the purposes of the Corporation;

(c) To purchase, lease as lessee, or otherwise acquire, and to own, hold, use and exercise, and, to the extent permitted by law, to sell, assign, convey, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of or encumber,

easements necessary, useful, or appropriate to accomplish any or all of the purpose of the Corporation.

- (d) To borrow money and otherwise contract indebtedness, and to make and issue or guarantee bonds, notes, and other evidence of indebtedness secured or unsecured, for moneys borrowed or in payment of property acquired, or for any of the other objects or purposes of the Corporation and to secure the payment thereof by mortgage, pledge, or deed of trust of, or any other encumbrance upon, any or all of its then owned or after acquired real or personal property, assets, revenues, franchises, rights, privileges, licenses, rights of way, easements, or permits;
- (e) To connect and interconnect its telephone lines, facilities, or systems with other telephone lines, facilities, or systems;
- (f) To do and perform any and all acts and things, and to have and exercise any and all powers which may be necessary or convenient to accomplish any or all of the foregoing purposes, or which may be permitted from time to time by the Act under which the Corporation is formed and the laws of the State of Nebraska; provided, however, that all of the operations of the Corporation shall be in a co-operative basis, not for profit.

ARTICLE IV

The names and places of residence of each of the incorporations are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Post Office Address</u>
Frank Carsten 1	Lynch, Nebraska
Alden Zink	Lynch, Nebraska
Thomas J. Courtney 2	Lynch, Nebraska
John Davis 3	Hape , Nebraska
Reo Ludemann 6	Hape, Nebraska
G. F. Franklin 4	Verdel, Nebraska
Albert R. Peed 7	Verdel, Nebraska

ARTICLE V

The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual.

ARTICLE VI

The private property of the members of the Corporation shall be exempt from execution for the debts of the Corporation and no member shall be individually liable or responsible for any debts or liabilities of the Corporation.

whose business is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00).

ARTICLE VIII

The Corporation is organized as a non-profit corporation and shall have capital stock. The authorized capital stock of the Corporation is \$100,000.00, to consist of 10,000 shares, there shall be 6,000 shares of common stock at a par value of \$10.00; to be fully paid when issued, and 4,000 shares of preferred stock with a par value of \$10.00, to be fully paid when issued.

ARTICLE IX

That each common stockholder shall be entitled to only one vote in person or by proxy at every meeting and the holders of preferred stock shall have no voting rights.

ARTICLE X

The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by a board of seven directors which shall exercise all of the powers of the Corporation except such as are by law, the articles of Incorporation or the bylaws upon or reserved to the stockholders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the incorporators, have hereunto set our hands and seal this 21st day of June, 1956, as such ⁱⁿcorporators, in the County of Boyd, State of Nebraska.

Thomas Courtney
H. F. Franklin
Albert R. Reed
Alden L. Zink
Frank Warton
Perdu Hermann
John Davis

STATE OF NEBRASKA }
 } ss.
COUNTY OF BOYD }

On this 5th day of ~~May~~^{July}, 1956, before me a notary public,
in and for said county and state, residing therein, personally app-
eared-- John Davis, Neo Ludemann, C. F. Franklin, Albert R. Poed,
Aldon Zink, Frank Carsten, Thomas J. Courtney, the original incorpor-
ators of the Boyd County Telephone Corporation, known to me to be the
persons described in and who executed the foregoing amended article of
incorporation as incorporators and each duly acknowledged to me t hat
they executed the same as his own free and valid act and deed.

Geo. D. Sadlack
Notary Public

My commission expires March 2, 1962

EXHIBIT 2

THREE RIVER TELCO
 Financial and Statistical Report as of December 31, 1999
 Five Year Comparison

	12/31/94	12/31/99
OPERATING REVENUE		
Local Access Charges	149,639	217,699
Access Charges	54,418	61,265
Toll Settlement Revenue	1,293,496	1,846,123
Miscellaneous Revenue	8,468	(2,695)
Uncollectible Reserve	3,829	2,932
Total Operating Revenue	1,509,850	2,125,324
OPERATING EXPENSE		
Plant Maintenance	320,174	671,122
Depreciation	321,562	486,785
Toll Traffic Expense	10,967	5,268
Commercial Expense	70,326	112,495
General Office Expense	212,512	227,704
Miscellaneous Expense	56,560	52,742
Total Operating Expenses	992,101	1,556,116

OTHER INCOME		
Miscellaneous Income	83,943	141,836
Interest Income	313,713	490,753
Total Other Income	397,656	632,589
OTHER EXPENSE		
Taxes	17,601	66,090
Interest on REA Loan	42,971	27,450
Non-Operating Federal & State Income Tax	159,832	101,807
Total Other Expenses	220,404	195,347
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE & OTHER INCOME	1,907,506	2,757,913
TOTAL OPERATING & OTHER EXPENSE	<u>1,212,505</u>	<u>1,751,463</u>
NET INCOME	695,001	1,006,450

BALANCE SHEET AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1999

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS	
Telephone Plant Investment	8,393,593
Less Depreciation Reserve	4,427,194
Depreciated Plant Valuation	3,966,399
Cash and Working Funds	209,670
Temporary Cash Investments	3,447,817
Other Temporary Investments	682,499
Accounts Receivable	474,125
Materials and Supplies	33,218
Other Investments and Prepayments	8,572,788
Total Cash, Investments and Other Assets	13,420,117
Total Assets	17,386,516
 LIABILITIES AND OTHER CREDITS	
Memberships	11,670
Patronage Capital Credits	8,224,029
Unappropriated Surplus	1,006,450
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	2,277,952
Long Term Debt	1,468,074
Current Liabilities	3,190,731
Retained Earnings	1,207,610
Total Liabilities and Credits	17,386,516

Payments are made to REA Quarterly	[Principal	34,153.63
Payments for the 2nd Quarter 2000	[Interest	6,185.41
were applied on loan as shown.	[Total Payment	40,339.04
Advance Payments on REA Loan as of June 30, 2000	250,089.19	

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RETAKE

This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) and may not be confidential.

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS

This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required (7 U.S.C. 901 et seq.) and may not be confidential.

BORROWER NAME AND ADDRESS
 Three River Telco
 Lynch, NE

PERIOD ENDING
 12/31/100

BORROWER DESIGNATION
 Nebraska 525

CERTIFICATION

The financial statements shown on this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system as of the date shown above and in the caption hereof. THIS REPORT WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND ALL INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT FOR ALL POLICIES.

[Signature]
 DATE 1/7/01

SIGNATURE OF OFFICER DATE

PART A. BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
1. Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$4,339,988	4,217,563	25. Accounts Payable	\$206,127	(\$12,870)
2. Accounts Receivable	0	0	26. Notes Payable	0	0
3. Prepaid Expenses	0	0	27. Advance Billings and Payments	20,608	24,870
4. Inventory	0	0	28. Customer Deposits	0	0
5. Other Current Assets	0	0	29. Current Mat. L/T Debt	0	0
6. Total Current Assets	4,339,988	4,217,563	30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.	0	0
7. Investments	0	0	31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases	0	0
8. Property, Plant and Equipment	98,120	108,610	32. Income Taxes Accrued	0	0
9. Intangible Assets	303,937	145,812	33. Other Taxes Accrued	37,716	6,100
10. Other Assets	0	0	34. Other Current Liabilities	45,509	57,930
11. Total Investments and Other Assets	303,937	145,812	Total Current		
12. Total Assets	\$4,643,925	\$4,363,375	35. Liabilities (25 thru 34)	\$309,960	\$76,040
			LONG-TERM DEBT		
			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes	1,468,074	1,331,100
			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes	0	0
			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes	0	0
			39. Funded Debt-Other	0	0
			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan	0	0
			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt	0	0
			42. Reacquired Debt	0	0
			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease	0	0
			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies	0	0
			45. Other Long-Term Debt	0	0
			Total Long-Term		
			46. Debt (36 thru 45)	\$1,468,074	\$1,331,100
			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities	2,880,771	2,967,700
			48. Other Deferred Credits	0	0
			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences	0	0
			Total Other Liabilities and		
			50. Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)	\$2,880,771	\$2,967,700
			EQUITY		
			51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed	11,670	11,800
			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital	2,277,952	2,348,000
			53. Treasury Stock	0	0
			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates	0	0
			55. Other Capital	0	0
			56. Patronage Capital Credits	8,224,029	8,746,600
			57. Retained Earnings or Margins	2,214,060	2,113,100
			Total Equity (51 thru 57)	\$12,727,711	\$13,219,600
			TOTAL LIABILITIES AND		
			59. EQUITY (35+46+50+58)	\$17,386,516	\$17,594,552
TOTAL ASSETS	\$4,643,925	\$4,363,375			

Total Equity = 75.13% of Total Assets

FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORT

Nebraska 525

PERIOD ENDING

12/31/100

PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS

ITEM	THIS PERIOD (a)	THIS YEAR (b)	LAST YEAR (c)
1. Local Network Services Revenues		\$275,662	\$217,699
2. Network Access Services Revenues		1,546,093	1,847,348
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		8,225	44,971
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		60,583	60,858
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		10,774	12,374
6. Uncollectible Revenues		(1,755)	(2,932)
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		\$1,903,092	\$2,186,182
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense		310,164	346,159
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Including Depreciation & Amortization)		121,958	324,963
10. Depreciation Expense		557,163	486,785
11. Amortization Expense		0	0
12. Customer Operations Expense		122,502	117,762
13. Corporate Operations Expense		342,225	280,447
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		\$1,454,012	\$1,556,116
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		449,080	630,066
16. Other Operating Income and Expense		0	0
17. State and Local Taxes		16,944	66,090
18. Federal Income Taxes		0	0
19. Other Taxes		0	0
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		\$16,944	\$66,090
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		432,136	563,976
22. Interest on Funded Debt		40,307	52,742
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		0	0
24. Other Interest Expense		0	0
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		3,361	9,575
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		\$36,946	\$43,167
27. Nonoperating Net Income		510,347	485,642
28. Extraordinary Items		0	0
29. Jurisdictional Differences		0	0
30. Nonregulated Net Income		0	0
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		\$905,537	\$1,006,451
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		19,813	101,807
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		2,214,061	2,150,144
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		50,400	0
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		0	0
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		0	0
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		0	0
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		1,056,851	942,534
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period		\$2,113,147	\$2,214,061
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		8,224,029	7,790,462
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		1,056,851	942,534
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		534,279	508,967
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year		\$8,746,601	\$8,224,029
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		161,452	161,783
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]		0.4802	0.5194
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]		0.7923	0.7618
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]		25.50	24.31
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]		9.28	9.49

END

OF

RETAKE

EXHIBIT 3

Three River Long Distance
Telecommunications Services Catalog
Issued:

State of South Dakota
Title Page 1
Effective:

This catalog contains the regulations and rates applicable for the furnishing of access to operator services, directory assistance service, direct dial service, and toll free service (800) provided by Three River Long Distance, hereinafter referred to as the Company, within the State of South Dakota. This catalog is on file with the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

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EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS

When changes are made on any catalog page, a revised page will be issued, canceling the page affected. Such changes will be identified through the use of the following symbols:

- (C) To signify changed regulation or rate.
- (D) To signify discontinued rate or regulation or text.
- (I) To signify increase.
- (M) To signify matter relocated without change.
- (N) To signify new rate, regulation, and/or text.
- (R) To signify reduction.
- (T) To signify a change in text but no change in rate or regulation.
- (Z) To signify a correction.

The above symbols will apply except where additional symbols are identified at the bottom of an individual page.

DEFINITIONS

Direct Dial Service - 1+ outbound long distance service.

Operator Services - Long distance service involving the services of a long distance operator.

Toll Free Service - The custom switched telecommunications service that permits toll free inward 8XX number calling from points within the state of South Dakota to the subscribing customer's station.

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.1 Undertaking of the Company

The Company will furnish access to Operator Services, as well as, Directory Assistance, Direct Dial Service and Toll Free Service (8XX) between points within the state of South Dakota continuously (24 hours per day, 7 days per week).

1.2 Use of Service

Neither customers nor their authorized users may use the services furnished by the Company for any unlawful purpose.

1.3 Payment of Charges

Direct Dial Service, Toll Free Service (8XX) and Operator Services charges will be billed in arrears and will appear on the customer's account statement. Prompt payment, as detailed on the statement, shall be expected.

1.4 Cancellation for Cause

The Company, by written notice to the customer, may immediately cancel the application for or discontinue service to the customer without incurring liability for any of the following reasons:

- Nonpayment of any sum due to the Company for service more than 30 days beyond the due date;
- Use of service in a fraudulent or suspected fraudulent manner;
- A violation of or failure to comply with any regulation governing the furnishing of service; or
- An order of the court or other government authority having jurisdiction which prohibits the Company from providing service.

1. GENERAL REGULATIONS

1.5 Obligations of the Customer

The customer shall be responsible for the following:

- Establishing their identity in the course of communication as often as necessary;
- Establishing the identity of the person(s) with whom connection is made at the called customer line(s).

1.6 Credit Allowances for Interruption

Customers who re-establish an intrastate Direct Dial or Toll Free Service (8XX) call which has been involuntarily interrupted after the station has been reached may receive credit for the interrupted call, provided the Company is notified of the interruption. Interruptions due to the failure of power, equipment, or systems not provided by the Company will not receive credit allowances.

2. DIRECT DIAL SERVICES

2.1 Description

Direct Dial Service is a 1+ outbound long distance service furnished by the Company between points within the state of South Dakota.

2.2 Terms and Conditions

A. Direct Dial Service is generally offered twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

B. Direct Dial Service is offered from originating locations within the state of South Dakota. Calls may be placed to points within the state.

C. This service is provided for use by the customer and may be used by others, when so authorized by the customer, providing that all such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this catalog.

D. Call timing begins when two-way communications are established. Answer detection is based on standard answer supervision methods. For billing purposes the minimum call duration is one minute. Usage after the initial period is billed in 60 second increments.

E. Rates and Charges are listed in Section 7 of the Catalog.

F. Disabled persons who have certified to the Company that they have a hearing or speech impairment which necessitates that they communicate by a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD), sometimes referred to as a teletypewriter or TTY device, will receive, upon written application to the Company, a 50% credit on intrastate direct dial service placed from the certified residence account premises where a TDD is located.

G. From time to time, the Company may offer special promotions waiving the monthly rates or installation charges for certain features, services, or packages.

3. OPERATOR SERVICES

3.1 Description

Operator services are currently routed to other providers for the following types of calls and services:

Person to Person - Customer dialed "O-" call where the operator completes the call to a designated person or extension.

Third Number - Customer dialed "O-" call where the operator completes the call and arranges billing to a third number; i.e., not the calling party number or the called party number.

Collect - Customer dialed "O-" call where the operator completes the call and arranges billing to the called telephone number.

3.2 Terms and Conditions

- A. Operator services are offered twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days a week.
- B. These services are provided for use by the customer and may be used by others, when so authorized by the customer, providing that all such usage shall be subject to the provisions of this catalog.

4. DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE SERVICE

4.1 Description

Directory Assistance Service, as made available by the Company through this tariff, provides, upon customer initiated request from the Company's territory, published and non-listed telephone numbers within the state of South Dakota.

4.2 Terms and Conditions

A. Directory Assistance charges specified in this tariff apply when a customer initiates a call to Directory Assistance from the Company's serving territory and requests a telephone number within South Dakota.

B. Directory Assistance charges shall be billed to the customer on a per call basis. A maximum of two listings may be requested per call.

C. Rates and charges are listed in Section 7 of this catalog.

D. Directory Assistance charges are not applicable to:

1. Calls placed from residence telephones where a member of the customer's household has been certified by a qualified authority as unable to use a directory or from the business telephone of a certified customer where other assistance is not available. A qualified authority is defined as including doctors of medicine, optometrists, registered nurses, therapists, professional staffs of hospitals, institutions and public welfare agencies. Certification of physical disability sufficiently severe to prevent reading or using conventional reading materials may also be made by professional librarians or by any person whose competence in this area is acceptable to the Librarian of Congress of the United States. This exemption is limited to one-hundred (100) free calls a month. Any exempted customer making more than 100 calls a month will be billed at the regular Directory Assistance rate. The Directory Assistance provided under this exemption is for personal use only and may not be resold.

2. Calls placed to Directory Assistance by an operator in connection with operator-handled local and long distance calls.

5. TOLL FREE SERVICE (8XX)

5.1 Description

Toll Free Service is a customer switched telecommunications service that permits toll free inward 8XX number calling from stations within the state of South Dakota to the subscribing customer's station.

5.2 Terms and Conditions

A. Toll Free Service (8XX) is generally offered twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week.

B. Toll Free Service consists of an 8XX telephone number associated with a customer's station that can be called from originating locations within the state of South Dakota.

C. Calls are dialed and completed without the assistance of a Company operator and do not include:

- Person to Person calls
- Collect calls
- Conference calls
- Any other operator handled calls

D. Call timing begins when two-way communications are established. Answer detection is based on standard answer supervision methods. For billing purposes the minimum call duration is one minute. Usage after the initial period is billed in 60 second increments.

E. Toll Free Service calls are billed to the called customer once a month.

F. One directory listing is provided for Toll Free Service. Additional listings will incur additional charges.

G. Rates and charges are listed in Section 7 of this tariff.

H. From time to time, the Company may offer special promotions waiving the monthly rates or installation charges for certain features, services, or packages.

6. RATE APPLICATION

6.1 Service Components

- A. Direct Dial Service includes usage sensitive and, optional monthly recurring charges.
- B. Directory Assistance includes a per call charge.
- C. Toll Free Service (8XX) includes usage sensitive, monthly recurring and non-recurring charges.

7. RATE LIST

7.1 Service Component Charges

Message Telecommunications Services

<u>Direct Dial Service</u>	<u>Per Minute</u>	<u>Monthly Fee</u>
Regular	\$0.13	None
Customer Optional Plan	\$0.10	\$4.95

Directory Assistance

Directory Assistance \$0.95/per request

Toll Free Service (8XX)

<u>Per Minute</u>	<u>Monthly Fee</u>
\$0.14	\$2.50

Additional Directory Listing \$0.35

Nonrecurring Charges:

Installation \$25.00
Vanity Number \$10.00 (in addition to the \$25.00 installation charge)

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TELECOMMUNICATIONS

TC01-055 **In the Matter of the Application of KMC Data, LLC for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services and Local Exchange Services in South Dakota.**

KMC Data, LLC is seeking a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange and local exchange telecommunication services in South Dakota. The applicant intends to provide services on a facilities based and resale basis.

Staff Analyst: Keith Senger
Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer
Date Docketed: 06/06/01
Intervention Deadline: 06/29/01

TC01-056 **In the Matter of the Application of Global Crest Communications, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.**

Global Crest Communications, Inc. (Global Crest) is seeking a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout South Dakota. Global Crest intends to offer resold 1+ and 101XXXXX outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, directory assistance, data services, travel card service and prepaid calling card service.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 06/07/01
Intervention Deadline: 06/29/01

TC01-057 **In the Matter of the Application of Network US, Inc. d/b/a CA Affinity for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.**

Network US, Inc. d/b/a CA Affinity (Affinity) is seeking a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout South Dakota. Affinity intends to offer Message Toll Service, Incoming 800/888, and Travel Card Services.

Staff Analyst: Heather Forney
Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 06/08/01
Intervention Deadline: 06/29/01

TC01-058 **In the Matter of the Application of Telefyne Incorporated for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Interexchange Telecommunications Services in South Dakota.**

Telefyne Incorporated has filed an application for a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services in South Dakota. Telefyne is a reseller and intends to offer interexchange services, including 1+ and 101XXXXX outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, directory assistance, data services, travel card service, and prepaid calling card service throughout South Dakota.

Date Docketed: 06/13/01
Intervention Deadline: 06/29/01

TC01-063 In the Matter of the Filing for Approval of a SPOP Amendment to an Interconnection Agreement between Qwest Corporation and McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.

On June 13, 2001 the Commission received a filing for approval of an Amendment re: Single Point of Presence (SPOP) to the Local Interconnection Agreement between McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc. (McLeodUSA) and Qwest Corporation (Qwest) f/k/a US West Communications, Inc.. According to the parties the agreement is a negotiated agreement with the parties adopting the negotiated interconnection agreement between McLeodUSA and Qwest which was approved by the Commission effective July 23, 1999 in Docket TC99-057. The Amendment is made in order to add terms and conditions for Single Point of Presence (SPOP) in the LATA to the Agreement, as set forth in Attachment 1 and Exhibit A attached to the Amendment. Any party wishing to comment on the agreement may do so by filing written comments with the Commission and the parties to the agreement no later than July 3, 2001. Parties to the agreement may file written responses to the comments no later than twenty days after the service of the initial comments.

Staff Attorney: Kelly Frazier
Date Docketed: 06/13/01
Initial Comments Due: 07/03/01

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
THREE RIVER TELCO D/B/A THREE RIVER)	CERTIFICATE OF
LONG DISTANCE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)	AUTHORITY
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)	TC01-061
SOUTH DAKOTA)	

On June 13, 2001, 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 Three River Telco d/b/a Three River Long Distance (Three River).

Three River proposes to offer switched and dedicated interexchange services and "1+" long distance communications services suitable for voice and limited data applications. A proposed tariff was filed by Three River. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On June 14, 2001, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 29, 2001, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its July 24, 2001, meeting, the Commission considered Three River'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 SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that Three River has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Three River 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 Three River's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Three River's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, effective August 13, 2001. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 27th day of July, 2001

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>Wendine Kalbo</i></u>
Date	<u>8/6/01</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, 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 as of August 13, 2001
Docket No. TC01-061

This is to certify that

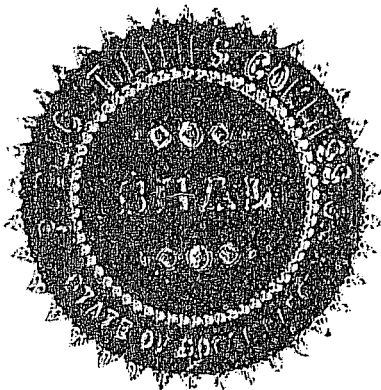
THREE RIVER TELCO D/B/A THREE RIVER LONG DISTANCE

is authorized to provide interexchange 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 27th day of July, 2001.

SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC
UTILITIES COMMISSION:



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