

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
NEBRASKALINK HOLDINGS, LLC FOR A)
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FOR)
INTEREXCHANGE SERVICE IN THE)
STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)**

**ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC22-008

On March 18, 2022, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received from NebraskaLink Holdings, LLC (NebraskaLink), an application for a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange long distance services in South Dakota. Specifically, NebraskaLink intends to provide Voice over Internet interexchange service, internet access service, and fiber transport services through the use of its own facilities and leased facilities from third party carriers.

On March 24, 2022, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 8, 2022, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On April 19, 2022, NebraskaLink responded to staff's data requests.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3, as well as ARSD 20:10:24:02.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of July 5, 2022, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended granting a certificate of authority as it related to non-VOIP services, subject to the condition that, for retail purposes of its non-VOP services, NebraskaLink not offer any prepaid services including prepaid calling cards and not accept or require any deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. The Commission voted unanimously to grant NebraskaLink a certificate of authority. It is therefore

ORDERED, that NebraskaLink's application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange services for its Non-VOIP services is granted, subject to the condition that for its non-VOIP services NebraskaLink not offer any prepaid services including prepaid calling cards and not accept or require any deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that this order constitutes NebraskaLink's Certificate of Authority as described above.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 8th day of July 2022.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, electronically or by mail.

By: *Amal M. Reiss*

Date: 7/8/2022

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson
CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

Kristie Fiegen
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner