BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF IM TELECOM, LLC DBA INFINITI MOBILE'S PETITION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA FOR THE LIMITED PURPOSE OF PROVIDING LIFELINE SERVICE TO QUALIFYING CUSTOMERS

ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO DEFER

TC24-003

On January 17, 2024, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a Petition from IM Telecom, LLC dba Infiniti Mobile's (Infiniti) for an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) Designation.

On January 18, 2024, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of February 2, 2024, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filing electronic listserv. On January 22, 2024, the South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA) filed a Petition to Intervene. On January 31, 2024, Infiniti and SDTA filed a Stipulation in which Infiniti agrees to limit its ETC designation to only South Dakota CenturyLink wire centers and to not extend into any rural service areas served by an SDTA member company.

On February 7, 2024, the South Dakota Telecommunications Association's (SDTA) Petition to Intervene was granted. On April 9, June 13, and October 21, 2024, Infiniti filed responses to staff's data requests. On October 31, 2024, Staff filed its memorandum in this matter.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31, ARSD Chapter 20:10:32 and 20:10:01, specifically ARSD 20:10:01:22.04.

At the regularly scheduled Commission meeting on November 7, 2024, Infiniti requested the Commission defer this matter to a later meeting. The Commission voted unanimously to defer the docket to the December 3, 2024 Commission meeting. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Infiniti's request to defer is granted and this docket will be heard at the regularly scheduled Commission meeting on December 3, 2024.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this <u>Stm</u> day of November 2024.

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.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Chairperson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner