

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION BY) ORDER GRANTING AMENDED
BERESFORD MUNICIPAL TELEPHONE COMPANY) CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY,
FOR AN AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY) ORDER GRANTING WAIVERS
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TC25-036

On October 27, 2025, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Beresford Municipal Telephone Company (Beresford) for an Amended Certificate of Authority for local exchange service pursuant to SDCL 49-31-69. Pursuant to action of the Beresford City Council that annexed new areas into the city, Beresford requests to add new telephone service territory currently held by Clarity Telecom, LLC dba Blue Peak. Beresford also requests the Commission waive ARSD 20:10:32:03 (1-8), and (10-22).

On October 30, 2025, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 14, 2025, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On November 26, 2025, Beresford filed responses to staff's data requests.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and 49-31-69, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:32.

On January 13, 2026, at its regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered the request for an Amended Certificate of Authority and waivers. The Commission voted unanimously to grant the request for waivers and to approve the Amended Certificate of Authority. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Beresford's requested waiver of ARSD 20:10:32:03 (1-8) and (10-22) is hereby granted. It is further

ORDERED, that Beresford's request for an amended certificate of authority to provide local exchange services is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 15 day of January 2026.

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: Amber Alvarado
Date: 15 Jan 2024

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

John N. Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen

GARY HANSON, Commissioner