

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	
GRASSHOPPER GROUP, LLC FOR A)	ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY FOR)	CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
INTEREXCHANGE SERVICES IN SOUTH)	FOR INTEREXCHANGE
DAKOTA)	TELECOMMUNICATIONS
)	SERVICES
)	
)	TC26-001

On March 12, 2026, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Grasshopper Group, LLC (Grasshopper) requesting a Certificate of Authority to provide interexchange services in South Dakota. In its application, Grasshopper seeks a Certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout the State of South Dakota.

On March 19, 2026, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 2, 2026, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On March 25, 2026, the Commission received Grasshopper's filing fee. On March 26, May 5, and June 12, 2026, Grasshopper responded to staff's data requests.

Commission staff recommended the Commission grant the requested certificate of authority subject to the condition that Grasshopper provide a \$25,000 performance bond. Grasshopper did not object to the requested condition.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3, and ARSD Chapter 20:10:24. The Commission finds that Grasshopper has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. The Commission also finds that Grasshopper has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, demonstrated that, so long as it maintains the requested bond, it has sufficient technical, financial, and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota.

The Commission voted unanimously to grant Grasshopper a certificate of authority, subject to Grasshopper maintaining a continuous \$25,000 bond pursuant to ARSD 20:10:24:04.05. It is therefore

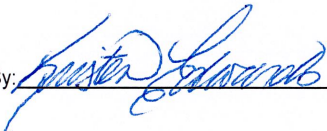
ORDERED, that Grasshopper's application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange services in South Dakota is granted, conditioned upon Grasshopper obtaining a continuous \$25,000 bond. It is further

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7th day of July 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.

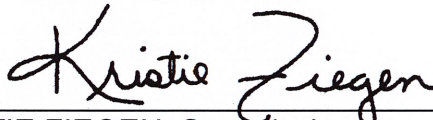
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Date: 7 July 2026

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



CHRIS NELSON, Chairman



KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner



GARY HANSON, Commissioner