

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED) BY STEVE PAULSON, BUSINESS MANAGER,) YANKTON JANITORIAL SUPPLY, YANKTON,) SOUTH DAKOTA, AGAINST U S REPUBLIC) COMMUNICATIONS, INC. REGARDING) UNAUTHORIZED SWITCHING OF LONG) DISTANCE CARRIER)	ORDER DISMISSING COMPLAINT AND CLOSING DOCKET CT00-064
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On April 19, 2000, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), received a complaint from Steve Paulson, Business Manager, Yankton Janitorial Supply, Yankton, South Dakota (Complainant) against U S Republic Communications, Inc. (U S Republic) regarding unauthorized switching of long distance carrier.

On April 20, 2000, the complaint was faxed to U S Republic. Pursuant to ARSD 20:10:01:09, U S Republic was notified that it must satisfy the complaint or file an answer in writing with the Commission by May 11, 2000. On May 11, 2000, the Commission received a letter response from U S Republic. Commission Staff received word from the Complainant stating that the complaint against U S Republic had been resolved.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26, 49-13, including 49-13-1 through 49-13-14, inclusive, and SDCL Chapter 49-31, including 49-31-3, 49-31-7, 49-31-7.1, 49-31-7.2, 49-31-7.3, 49-31-7.4, 49-31-10, 49-31-11, 49-31-38, 49-31-38.1, 49-31-38.2, 49-31-38.3, 49-31-89 through 49-31-97, inclusive, and ARSD Chapters 20:10:01 and 20:10:34.

On August 9, 2000, at a regularly scheduled meeting, the Commission considered this matter. Upon recommendation of Commission Staff, the Commission voted to dismiss the complaint and close the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the complaint shall be dismissed and the docket closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 16th day of August, 2000.

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>Alaine Kelbo</i></u>
Date: <u>8/17/00</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner