

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

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE RECIPROCAL) | ORDER APPROVING |
| COMPENSATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN) | RECIPROCAL |
| DAKOTA TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP,) | COMPENSATION |
| INC. AND COMMNET CELLULAR, INC.) | AGREEMENT |
|) | TC98-134 |

On July 17, 1998, Dakota Telecommunications Group, Inc. (DTG) filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval of a negotiated reciprocal compensation agreement between DTG and CommNet Cellular, Inc., said agreement being dated July 10, 1998.

On July 23, 1998, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of this filing to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until August 12, 1998, to do so. Parties to the agreement had until August 31, 1998, to file written responses to the comments. No parties filed comments. Staff filed a written analysis and recommendation.

At its regularly scheduled September 10, 1998, meeting, the Commission considered this filing along with the comments of DTG and staff.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. Upon review of the agreement, the Commission found that, as required by 47 U.S.C. 252(e)(2)(A), the agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement nor is the implementation of this agreement inconsistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. It is therefore

ORDERED, that pursuant to 47 U.S.C 252(e), the Commission approves the negotiated agreement.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 21st day of September, 1998.

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| 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 facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon. |
| By: <u><i>Delaine Kalls</i></u> |
| Date: <u>9/21/98</u> |
| (OFFICIAL SEAL) |

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Laska Schoenfelder
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner