

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
ERBIA NETWORK, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE)
OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)
SOUTH DAKOTA)

ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY

TC99-034

On April 2, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from erbia Network, Inc. (erbia).

erbia proposes to offer 1+ and 101XXXX direct outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, and travel card service. A proposed tariff was filed by erbia. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On April 8, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of April 23, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its June 22, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered erbia's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that erbia has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. erbia has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. The Commission approves erbia's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that erbia's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that erbia shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 25th day of June, 1999.

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>Dalvin Kelso</i></u>
Date: <u>6/25/99</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