

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

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

ORDER GRANTING  
CERTIFICATE OF  
AUTHORITY  
  
TC99-044

On April 21, 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 RDST, Inc. (RDST).

RDST is a reseller which intends to offer 1+ and 101XXXX direct outbound dialing, 800/888 toll-free inbound dialing, travel card and prepaid calling card service. A proposed tariff was filed by RDST. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On April 23, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 7, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its June 22, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered RDST's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to RDST furnishing the Commission with a corrected surety bond.

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 RDST has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. RDST 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 RDST's application for a certificate of authority, subject to RDST furnishing the Commission with a corrected surety bond. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that RDST's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to its filing a corrected surety bond with the Commission. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1999.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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>Arlene Kaebo</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