

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ) TRANS NATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS ) INTERNATIONAL, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE ) OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ) TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN ) SOUTH DAKOTA )	ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY  TC99-091
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On September 7, 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 Trans National Communications International, Inc. (Trans National).

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

On September 9, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of September 24, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its February 2, 2000, meeting, the Commission considered Trans National's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Trans National not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that Trans National has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Trans National 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 Trans National's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Trans National not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. Commissioner Nelson dissented. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Trans National's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to the condition that Trans National not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of February, 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: Melaine Kolbo

Date: 2/14/00

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg  
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner, dissenting

Laska Schoenfelder  
LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner