

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE INQUIRY OF )</b>	<b>ORDER GRANTING</b>
<b>WHETHER TO RECLASSIFY U S WEST )</b>	<b>INTERVENTION</b>
<b>COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S INTRALATA TOLL )</b>	
<b>AND WIDE-AREA TELEPHONE SERVICES )</b>	<b>TC99-099</b>

Upon its own motion and pursuant to its August 17, 1999, order, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) opened this docket to determine whether to reclassify intraLATA toll and wide-area telephone services from "emerging competitive" to "fully competitive" as permitted by SDCL 49-31-3.2.

On September 23, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 8, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. On October 8, 1999, Sprint Corporation (Sprint) and Telecommunications Resellers Association (TRA) filed Petitions for Leave to Intervene. At its regularly scheduled November 1, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered the requests for intervention.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31.

The Commission found that the petitions to intervene were timely filed and demonstrated good cause to grant intervention. It is therefore

ORDERED that the requests of Sprint and TRA for intervention are hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 4<sup>th</sup> day of November, 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 facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
BY: <u><i>Alpine Kelbo</i></u>
Date: <u>11/5/99</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