

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

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

ORDER GRANTING  
CERTIFICATE OF  
AUTHORITY

TC99-048

On April 26, 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 Telecommunications Resources, Inc. (TRI).

TRI intends to initially offer travel card services to business and residential customers. TRI will operate in South Dakota as a switch-based reseller with service being provided through underlying carriers. A proposed tariff was filed by TRI. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On April 29, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 14, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its October 7, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered TRI's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to TRI furnishing the Commission with a 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 TRI has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. TRI 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 TRI's application for a certificate of authority, subject to TRI furnishing the Commission with a surety bond. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that TRI's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to TRI furnishing the Commission with a surety bond. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of October, 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>Alaine Kolbo</u>
Date: <u>10/20/99</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