

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE)	CERTIFICATE OF
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A IE COM FOR)	AUTHORITY
A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)	TC99-061
SOUTH DAKOTA)	

On June 17, 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 International Exchange Communications, Inc. d/b/a IE Com (IE Com).

IE Com proposes to offer resold interexchange services, including, but not limited to, direct dial "1+" long distance message telecommunications service (MTS) and prepaid and postpaid calling card services to business and residential customers. A proposed tariff was filed by IE Com. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On June 24, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 9, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its October 7, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered IE Com's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of 20:10:24:02(8).

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 IE Com has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. IE Com has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Further, the Commission finds that there is good cause to waive subparagraph (8) of ARSD 20:10:24:02. The Commission approves IE Com's application for a certificate of authority. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

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

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission finds good cause to waive subparagraph (8) of ARSD 20:10:24:02. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of October, 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: *Alvin Kaelo*

Date: 10/20/99

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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

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PAM NELSON, Commissioner

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LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner