

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
ADELPHIA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS)	CERTIFICATE OF
OPERATIONS, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)	AUTHORITY
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)	
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)	TC00-009
SOUTH DAKOTA)	

On February 9, 2000, 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 Adelphia Business Solutions Operations, Inc. (Adelphia).

Adelphia proposes to offer 1+ direct dialing, travel card, international calling, toll free services and prepaid calling card services. A proposed tariff was filed by Adelphia. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On February 10, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of February 25, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its July 13, 2000, meeting, the Commission considered Adelphia's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to a continuous \$25,000 surety bond. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(8).

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 Adelphia has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Adelphia 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 ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). The Commission approves Adelphia's application for a certificate of authority, subject to a continuous \$25,000 surety bond. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Adelphia's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to a continuous \$25,000 surety bond. It is

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

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of July, 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: _____

Date: _____

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner