

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT ) OF SWITCHED ACCESS REVENUE ) REQUIREMENT FOR WEST RIVER ) COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY )	ORDER APPROVING REVENUE REQUIREMENT  TC00-086
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On May 30, 2000, West River Cooperative Telephone Company (West River) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its 1999 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study.

On June 1, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of June 16, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. On June 20, 2000, the Commission voted to assess a filing fee as requested by the Executive Director up to the statutory limit of \$100,000. Staff filed a memorandum on August 31, 2000, with the concurrence of the company, setting forth a recommended revenue requirement and minutes of use. The Commission considered this matter at its November 30, 2000, meeting.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-1A-9, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07 and 20:10:27:08. Upon review of West River's filing, the Commission found that the revenue requirement and minutes of use as depicted in Staff's memorandum were fair and reasonable and should be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that West River's revenue requirement and minutes of use are hereby approved as revised and shall be incorporated in the Local Exchange Carriers Association's determination of switched access rates. (See TC00-102.)

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 7<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2000.

<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>Melaine Kalbo</u>
Date: <u>12/7/00</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