

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
LEGACY LONG DISTANCE INTERNATIONAL, )  
INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO )  
PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN )  
SOUTH DAKOTA )

**ORDER GRANTING  
CERTIFICATE OF  
AUTHORITY**

**TC00-173**

On October 17, 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 Legacy Long Distance International, Inc. (Legacy).

Legacy proposes to offer presubscribed service, toll free inbound service, travel card service, and operator assisted services to both residential and business customers. A proposed tariff was filed by Legacy. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On October 19, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 3, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its January 4, 2001, meeting, the Commission considered Legacy's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Legacy not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission.

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 Legacy has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Legacy 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 Legacy's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Legacy not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Legacy's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to the condition that Legacy not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10th day of January, 2001.

<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><i>Albaine Kelbo</i></u>
Date: <u>1/12/01</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