

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING FOR)	ORDER APPROVING
APPROVAL OF AN AMENDMENT TO AN)	AGREEMENT
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN)	
QWEST CORPORATION AND NEW EDGE)	TC02-108
NETWORK, INC. DBA NEW EDGE NETWORKS)	

On August 21, 2002, the Commission received for approval a filing of an Amendment for DC Power Reduction, Collocation Transfer of Responsibility, Collocation Decommission and Collocation Cancellation to the Interconnection Agreement proposed in TC02-113 between Qwest Corporation (Qwest) and New Edge Networks (New Edge) for the State of South Dakota. The Agreement is amended by adding the terms and conditions (and associated rates where applicable) for DC Power Reduction Procedure, Collocation Transfer Responsibility, Collocation Decommission and Collocation Cancellation.

On August 22, 2002, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of this filing to interested individuals and entities. The notice stated that any person wishing to comment on the parties' request for approval had until September 10, 2002, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed October 17, 2002, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the agreement between Qwest and New Edge. Commission Staff recommended its approval.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31, and the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996. In accordance with 47 U.S.C. § 252(e)(2), the Commission found that the agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier that is not a party to the agreement and the agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The Commission unanimously voted to approve the agreement. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Commission approves the agreement.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 28th day of October, 2002.

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 facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u>Tina Douglas</u>
Date: <u>October 28, 2002</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner