BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) X2COMM, INC. D/B/A DC COMMUNICATIONS) FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO) PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE) TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN) SOUTH DAKOTA) ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY

TC03-084

On May 9, 2003, 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 X2Comm, Inc. d/b/a DC Communications (DC Communications).

DC Communications proposes to offer inbound and outbound long distance services to both residential and business customers. A proposed tariff was filed by DC Communications. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On May 15, 2003, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 30, 2003, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its June 3, 2003, meeting, the Commission considered DC Communications' request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that DC Communications not offer a prepaid calling card or require or accept 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 DC Communications has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. DC Communications 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 DC Communications not offer a prepaid calling card or require or accept deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that DC Communications' application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted, effective July 8, 2003, subject to the condition that DC Communications not offer a prepaid calling card or require or accept deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this <u>10</u> day of June, 2003.

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: Minute Strategy Strate
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Date:
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman Ak

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

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