BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MA	TTER OF	THE F	LING	FOR)	ORDER APPROVING
APPROVAL	OF	A RE	CIPRO	DCAL)	AGREEMENT
INTERCONNI	ECTION,	TRANSP	ORT	AND)	
TERMINATIO	N AGREEM	IENT BET	WEEN	WWC)	TC04-013
LICENSE,	LLC	AND	SAN	NTEL)	
COMMUNICA	TIONS CO	OPERATI	VE, INC	C.)	

On February 4, 2004, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing for approval of a reciprocal interconnection, transport and termination agreement between WWC License, LLC (WWC) and Santel Communications Cooperative, Inc. (Santel).

On February 5, 2004, 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 February 24, 2004, to do so. No comments were filed.

At its duly noticed March 2, 2004, meeting, the Commission considered whether to approve the agreement between Santel and WWC. Commission Staff recommended 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 <u>5th</u> day of March, 2004.

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:				
Date: 3/5/04				
(OFFICIAL SEAL)				

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman &

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

AMES A. BURG, Commissioner