

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)
INMATE CALLING SOLUTIONS, LLC D/B/A)
ICSOLUTIONS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ALTERNATIVE)
OPERATOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS)
SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA)**

**ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC07-090

On August 9, 2007, 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 to provide alternative operator telecommunications services from Inmate Calling Solutions, LLC d/b/a ICSolutions (Inmate Calling).

On August 16, 2007, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of August 31, 2007, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its June 24, 2008, meeting, the Commission considered Inmate Calling's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the applicant submitting an irrevocable letter of credit. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(9), and separately a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:05(5), (6) and the first sentence of (11) for the provision of AOS to inmate customers in correctional facilities.

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, 20:10:24:03 and 20:10:24:05. The Commission finds that Inmate Calling has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Inmate Calling has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Further, the Commission finds that there is good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(9), and separately waives ARSD 20:10:24:05(5), (6) and the first sentence of (11) for the provision of AOS to inmate customers in correctional facilities. The Commission approves Inmate Calling's application for a certificate of authority, subject to an irrevocable letter of credit. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Inmate Calling's application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted, subject to Inmate Calling's continuous maintenance of an irrevocable letter of credit issued to the Commission. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission waives ARSD 20:10:24:02(9), and separately waives ARSD 20:10:24:05(5), (6) and the first sentence of (11) for the provision of AOS to inmate customers in correctional facilities. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that this order constitutes your certificate of authority as described above.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of July, 2008.

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, electronically.

By: Alaine Kalbo

Date: 7/2/08

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Steve Kolbeck
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner

Dustin M. Johnson
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Commissioner