

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)
CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE TELEPHONE)
AUTHORITY FOR ARBITRATION PURSUANT)
TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF)
1996 TO RESOLVE ISSUES RELATING TO AN)
INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT WITH)
ALLTEL COMMUNICATIONS, LLC)**

**ORDER DISMISSING
PETITION FOR
ARBITRATION AND
CLOSING DOCKET**

TC08-122

On October 21, 2008, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority (CRST) filed a petition for arbitration of certain unresolved terms and conditions of a proposed Interconnection and Reciprocal Compensation Agreement (Agreement) between CRST and Alltel Communications, LLC (Alltel), pursuant to Section 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, SDCL 49-31-81 and ARSD 20:10:32:29. CRST filed a list of unresolved issues and requested relief. On December 4, 2008, the parties filed a Stipulation to Joint Proposed Procedural Schedule. The Procedural Schedule was approved at the January 27, 2009, commission meeting. On June 9, 2009, Alltel filed a Motion to Strike and Brief. On June 15, 2009, a Joint Stipulation and Proposed Procedural Schedule was filed. On June 25, 2009, the Commission received a request from Alltel to withdraw the Motion to Strike. On May 17, 2010, the Commission received for approval the Reciprocal Interconnection, Transport and Termination Agreement between Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority (CRST) and Alltel Communications, LLC, (Alltel). On November 1, 2010, the parties filed a Joint Stipulation to Dismiss with Prejudice.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31-81 and ARSD 20:10:32:29.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of November 9, 2010, the Commission considered this matter. Commission Staff recommended dismissing the Petition for Arbitration with prejudice and closing the docket. The Commission unanimously voted to dismiss the Petition for Arbitration with prejudice and close the docket.

ORDERED, that the Petition for Arbitration be dismissed with prejudice and the docket be closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 16th day of November, 2010.

<p>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</p> <p>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.</p> <p>By: <u><i>Stephanie M. [Signature]</i></u></p> <p>Date: <u>11/16/10</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Dustin M. Johnson
DUSTIN M. JOHNSON, Chairman

Steve Kolbeck
STEVE KOLBECK, Commissioner

Gary Hanson
GARY HANSON, Commissioner