

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF WIDE)
VOICE, L.L.C. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF)
AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE)
SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA)
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**ORDER DISMISSING WITHOUT
PREJUDICE AND CLOSING
THE DOCKET

TC11-088**

On October 27, 2011, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from Wide Voice, L.L.C. (Wide Voice) for a certificate of authority to provide local exchange services and interexchange long distance services to both residential and business customers in South Dakota. On November 3, 2011, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 18, 2011, to interested individuals and entities. On November 18, 2011, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc. (AT&T) and Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint). On November 18, 2011, Qwest Communications Company LLC dba CenturyLink (CenturyLink) filed CenturyLink's Objection to Wide Voice's Application for Certificate, Request for Investigation and Hearing, and Request for Intervention. On December 2, 2011, Wide Voice filed Wide Voice's Reply and Opposition to the Petitions for Intervention. On December 6, 2011, the Commission granted intervention to AT&T, Sprint, and CenturyLink. On January 11, 2012, Wide Voice filed a Motion requesting a Protective Order Requiring the Parties and Intervenors to Comply with a Confidentiality Agreement. At its January 31, 2012, meeting the Commission granted this motion. On February 22, 2012, the Commission issued its Order for and Notice of Procedural Schedule and Hearing. On February 23, 2012, Wide Voice filed a Notice of Dismissal Without Prejudice.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:01:02.04.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of March 13, 2012, the Commission voted unanimously to dismiss without prejudice and close the docket. It is therefore

~~ORDERED, that the docket is dismissed without prejudice and the docket is closed.~~

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 16th day of March, 2012.

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: <u>Joy Baum</u>
Date: <u>3-16-12</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Fiegen

KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner