

**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**

) **ORDER GRANTING MOTION**  
) **FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER**  
) **REQUIRING THE PARTIES AND**  
) **INTERVENORS TO COMPLY**  
) **WITH A CONFIDENTIALITY**  
) **AGREEMENT**  
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) **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 interexchange long distance service and local exchange services in South Dakota. On November 3, 2011, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 19, 2011, to interested individuals and entities. On November 18, 2011, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene by Sprint Communications Company, L.P. (Sprint), Qwest Communications Company LLC dba CenturyLink (CenturyLink), and AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc. (AT&T). On December 2, 2011, Wide Voice filed its response to the petitions for intervention. On December 6, 2011, the Commission found that the Petitions to Intervene of AT&T, Sprint, and CenturyLink demonstrated good cause to grant intervention and voted unanimously to grant 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. The Confidentiality Agreement was filed with the Motion.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31.

At its January 31, 2012, meeting, the Commission considered Wide Voice's Motion Requesting a Protective Order Requiring the Parties and Intervenors to Comply with a Confidentiality Agreement. There was no opposition to the Motion. The Commission unanimously voted to grant Wide Voice's Motion Requesting a Protective Order Requiring the Parties and Intervenors to Comply with a Confidentiality Agreement. It is therefore

**ORDERED**, that the Motion Requesting a Protective Order Requiring the Parties and Intervenors to Comply with a Confidentiality Agreement is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10th day of February, 2012.

<p><b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b></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>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Date: <u>2-10-12</u></p> <p align="center">(OFFICIAL SEAL)</p>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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CHRIS NELSON,, Chairman

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KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

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GARY HANSON, Commissioner