

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY ) SOUTH DAKOTA NETWORK, LLC FOR ) AN EXTENSION OF AN EXEMPTION ) FROM DEVELOPING COMPANY ) SPECIFIC COST-BASED SWITCHED ) ACCESS RATES )</b>	)	<b>ORDER GRANTING WAIVER TO PERFORM A SWITCHED ACCESS COST STUDY  TC14-063</b>
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On June 30, 2014, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from South Dakota Network, LLC (SDN) for a waiver of the requirement to file a switched access cost study as required by Commission rule ARSD 20:10:27:07. SDN requests the waiver of the cost study requirement because of the costs and resources involved in producing a study and indicated that a preliminary analysis indicates that a cost study would support higher rates. On September 10 and November 5, 2014, SDN responded to staff's data requests.

On July 3, 2014, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 18, 2014, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:27:02 and 20:10:27:07.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of December 9, 2014, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission found good cause to grant the requested waiver, pursuant to ARSD 20:10:27:02, of the requirement to perform a switched access cost study. It is therefore

ORDERED, that SDN's request for a waiver, pursuant to ARSD 20:10:27:02, of the requirement to perform a switched access cost study is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2014.

<b>CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE</b>
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><i>[Signature]</i></u>
Date: <u>12.10.14</u>
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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GARY HANSON, Chairman

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CHRIS NELSON, Commissioner

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KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner