

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY) MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS FOR) APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ITS ACCESS) SERVICES TARIFF)	ORDER APPROVING TARIFF REVISIONS TC16-040
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On July 1, 2016, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing from Midcontinent Communications (Midcontinent) requesting approval of revisions to its Access Services Tariff. Midcontinent states that the proposed tariff revisions are in compliance with the FCC's order in FCC 11-161. Midcontinent initially requested an effective date of July 24, 2016. On July 5, 2016, the Company made a filing to change the effective date to July 16, 2016.

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On July 7, 2016, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 22, 2016, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No parties sought intervention.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of August 2, 2016, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the requested revisions to Midcontinent's Access Services Tariff with a July 16, 2016 effective date. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Midcontinent's Access Services Tariff revisions are approved, effective as of July 16, 2016.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 5th day of August, 2016.

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 or by mail.
By: <u>Adam DeHueck</u>
Date: <u>8/5/16</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson

CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

Kristie Eiegen

KRISTIE EIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson

GARY HANSON, Commissioner