

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

<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF RC</b>	)	<b>ORDER AMENDING ELIGIBLE</b>
<b>TECHNOLOGIES FOR AN AMENDED ELIGIBLE</b>	)	<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS</b>
<b>TELECOMMUNICATIONS</b>	)	<b>CARRIER DESIGNATION;</b>
<b>CARRIER</b>	)	<b>ORDER GRANTING WAIVER</b>
<b>DESIGNATION IN THE MILBANK EXCHANGE</b>	)	
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	)	<b>TC21-007</b>

On February 10, 2021, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an application from RC Technologies requesting to amend its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) to update the name of the designated carrier to RC Technologies and to specifically include census blocks awarded to RC Technologies in the Federal Communications Commission’s recent Rural Digital Opportunity Fund (RDOF) Phase 1 Auction support as shown in Exhibit A. RC Technologies has been awarded RDOF support for 46 census blocks within the Milbank exchange. All of the census blocks awarded to RC Technologies are within the service area of CenturyLink, which is a non-rural carrier. RC Technologies requests that all of its operations in the Milbank exchange be designated as eligible to receive all available support for the federal Universal Service Fund including but not limited to, support for rural, insular and high-cost areas and low-income customers. The initial ETC designation was granted in Docket TC06-052.

On February 11, 2021, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of February 26, 2021, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed. On March 17 and April 6, 2021, RC Technologies responded to Commission staff’s data requests.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and 47 U.S.C. § 214.

At its regularly scheduled meeting of April 13, 2021, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission determined the application to be in the public interest and unanimously voted to amend the ETC designation to update the name to RC Technologies and specifically include in the RC Technologies’ current ETC designation in the Milbank exchange the RDOF census blocks as listed in Exhibit A of the application. The Commission further unanimously voted to approve RC Technologies’ request to waive the two-year plan requirement found in A.R.S.D. 20:10:32:43.02. It is therefore

ORDERED, that RC Technologies’ request to amend its ETC designation to update its name to RC Technologies, and specifically include in RC Technologies’ current ETC designation in the Milbank exchange, the RDOF census blocks as listed in Exhibit A of the application, is hereby approved. It is further

ORDERED, that RC Technologies' request to waive the two-year plan requirement found in A.R.S.D. 20:10:32:43.02 is hereby approved.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 15th day of April 2021.

<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 or by mail.
By: <u>Karen E. Cremer</u>
Date: <u>04/15/21</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chris Nelson  
CHRIS NELSON Chairperson

Kristie Fiegen  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

Gary Hanson  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner