

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

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING OF )  
MIDCONTINENT COMMUNICATIONS )  
FOR APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO ITS )  
ACCESS SERVICES TARIFF )**

**ORDER APPROVING TARIFF  
REVISIONS**

**TC21-092**

On July 9, 2021, the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Midcontinent Communications (Midcontinent) for approval of revisions to its Access Services Tariff. This filing proposes the first step in implementing the 8YY Access Service reductions mandated in the Federal Communications Commission's October 9, 2020, Report and Order in WC Docket No. 18-156, FCC Release No. 20-143. Midcontinent requests an effective date of July 31, 2021. On July 13, 2021, Midcontinent filed redlined tariff pages.

On July 15, 2021, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 29, 2021, to interested individuals and entities on the Commission's PUC Weekly Filings electronic listserv. No petitions to intervene or comments were received.

The following revised tariff pages were filed for Commission approval:

Access Services Tariff

8th Revised Page 3	Cancels 7th Revised Page 3
1st Revised Page 7	Cancels Original Page 7
5th Revised Page 44	Cancels 4th Revised Page 44
6th Revised Page 44.1	Cancels 5th Revised Page 44.1

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapter 49-31.

At its regularly scheduled meeting on August 19, 2021, the Commission considered this matter. Commission staff recommended approval with an effective date of July 31, 2021. The Commission voted unanimously to approve the above referenced revisions to Midcontinent Communications' Access Service Tariff effective as of July 31, 2021. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the above-referenced revisions to Midcontinent Communications' Access Service Tariff are hereby approved, effective as of July 31, 2021.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August 2021.

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><i>Karen E. Cremer</i></u>
Date: <u>08/24/21</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

*Chris Nelson*  
CHRIS NELSON, Chairman

*Kristie Fiegen*  
KRISTIE FIEGEN, Commissioner

*Gary Hanson*  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner