

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY ) BROOKINGS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES D/B/A ) SWIFTEL COMMUNICATIONS FOR ) DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE ) TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER )	ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION  TC04-213
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On October 28, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received a filing by Brookings Municipal Utilities d/b/a Swiftel Communications (Brookings) petitioning for approval of it as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC).

On November 4, 2004, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of November 19, 2004, to interested individuals and entities. On November 18, 2004, the Commission received Petitions to Intervene from Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (ITC) and Sioux Valley Telephone Company (Sioux Valley). On November 19, 2004, the Commission received a Petition to Intervene from South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA).

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

At a regularly scheduled meeting of November 30, 2004, the Commission found that the Petitions to Intervene were timely filed and demonstrated good cause to grant intervention. It is therefore

ORDERED that the Petitions to intervene by ITC, Sioux Valley and SDTA shall be granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2004.

<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, by facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.
By: <u><i>Delaine Kalbs</i></u>
Date: <u>12/13/04</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

*Robert K. Sahr*  
ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

*Gary Hanson*  
GARY HANSON, Commissioner

*James A. Burg*  
JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner