

Telecommunications Orders - Issued 1999

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF CORPORATE BILLING MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN SOUTH DAKOTA)))))	ORDER GRANTING CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
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TC99-093

On September 15, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission), in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02, received an application for a certificate of authority from Corporate Billing Management, Inc. (CBMI).

CBMI proposes to provide intrastate inbound and outbound long distance telecommunications services. A proposed tariff was filed by CBMI. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On September 16, 1999, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of October 1, 1999, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and a November 1, 1999, meeting, the Commission considered CBMI's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that CBMI not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. Commission Staff further recommended a waiver of ARSD 20:10:24:02(8).

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Chapter 49-31, specifically 49-31-3 and ARSD 20:10:24:02 and 20:10:24:03. The Commission finds that CBMI has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. CBMI has, in accordance with SDCL 49-31-3, demonstrated sufficient technical, financial and managerial capabilities to offer telecommunications services in South Dakota. Further, the Commission finds that there is good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). The Commission approves CBMI's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that CBMI not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that CBMI's application for a certificate of authority is hereby granted, effective November 15, 1999, subject to the condition that CBMI not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that the Commission finds good cause to waive ARSD 20:10:24:02(8). It is

FURTHER ORDERED, that CBMI shall file informational copies of tariff changes with the Commission as the changes occur.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 4th day of November, 1999.

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, by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges

prepaid thereon.

By: _____

Date: _____

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

PAM NELSON, Commissioner

LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner

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