

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTABLISHMENT) OF A SWITCHED TRANSPORT RATE FOR) SOUTH DAKOTA NETWORK, LLC))	ORDER APPROVING) REVENUE REQUIREMENT) AND TARIFF REVISIONS) TC00-106)
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On June 29, 2000, South Dakota Network, LLC (SDN) filed for approval by the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) its 1999 Intrastate Switched Access Cost Study and tariff revisions effective August 1, 2000.

On July 6, 2000, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of July 21, 2000, to interested individuals and entities. On August 9, 2000, the Commission voted to assess a filing fee as requested by the Executive Director up to the statutory limit of \$100,000. Staff filed a memorandum on August 31, 2000, which was corrected on September 7, 2000, with the concurrence of the company, setting forth a recommended revenue requirement that would establish a local switching rate of \$0.0083. The Commission considered this matter at its November 30, 2000, meeting. The matter was deferred at that time. The Commission again considered this matter at its December 12, 2000, meeting.

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.1, 49-1A-9, 49-31-12.4, 49-31-12.6, 49-31-18, 49-31-19 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.02, 20:10:01:15.05, 20:10:27:07 and 20:10:27:08. Upon review of SDN's filings, the Commission found that the revenue requirement was fair and reasonable and the associated tariff sheets should be approved. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED that SDN's local switching rate of \$0.0083 is hereby approved and shall be effective for telecommunications services rendered on and after January 1, 2001.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 20th day of December, 2000.

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 facsimile or by first class mail, in properly addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.	
By:	<i>Melaine Kalbs</i>
Date:	<i>12/21/00</i>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



JAMES A. BURG, Chairman



PAM NELSON, Commissioner



LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner