

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY)
NETWORK COMMUNICATIONS)
INTERNATIONAL CORP. FOR AN AMENDED)
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)
SOUTH DAKOTA)

**ORDER GRANTING
AMENDED CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC00-142

The South Dakota Public Utilities Commission (Commission) granted Network Communications International Corp. (NCIC) a certificate of authority to provide telecommunications services in South Dakota on February 29, 2000, subject to a \$25,000 surety bond. NCIC offers the services of a switchless telecommunications reseller. A tariff was filed by NCIC. On August 3, 2000, NCIC submitted a petition to withdraw Debit Cards from its service offerings in South Dakota in return for the Company's \$25,000 surety bond.

At its November 2, 2000, meeting, the Commission considered NCIC's request for an amended certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting the amended certificate of authority, subject to the condition that NCIC not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission.

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

ORDERED, that NCIC's request for an amended certificate of authority is hereby granted, subject to the condition that NCIC not offer a prepaid calling card or require deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 16th day of November, 2000.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE	
<p>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.</p>	
By:	<u><i>Debra Kaelo</i></u>
Date:	<u>11/16/00</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)	

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

LASKA SCHOENFELDER, Commissioner
dissenting