

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE FILING BY Z-TEL) COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL OF) PETITION FOR RELIEF OF CERTIFICATION) REQUIREMENT TO POST SURETY BOND))	ORDER PERMITTING WITHDRAWAL OF FILING AND CLOSING DOCKET TC02-016
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On February 15, 2002, Z-Tel Communications, Inc. (Z-Tel) filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) for approval of petition for relief of certification requirement to post surety bond.

On April 9, 2002, Z-Tel requested that its filing be withdrawn.

At its regularly scheduled April 17, 2002, meeting, the Commission considered this matter. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SDCL 49-31-3 and ARSD Chapter 20:10:32. The Commission found that Z-Tel's request to withdraw its filing is reasonable and closed the docket. It is therefore

ORDERED, that Z-Tel shall be permitted to withdraw its filing, and it is further

ORDERED, that this docket is closed.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 19th day of April, 2002.

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: <u>Alain Kolbs</u>
Date: <u>4/23/02</u>
(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

James A. Burg
JAMES A. BURG, Chairman

Pam Nelson
PAM NELSON, Commissioner

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner