

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF)	ORDER GRANTING
QWEST COMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION)	INTERVENTION
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY TO)	
PROVIDE LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICES IN)	TC04-083
SOUTH DAKOTA)	

On April 22, 2004, the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) received an Application for a Certificate of Authority from Qwest Communications Corporation to provide local exchange services in South Dakota.

On April 29, 2004, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of May 14, 2004, to interested individuals and entities. The South Dakota Telecommunications Association (SDTA) filed a Petition to Intervene on May, 14, 2004.

The Commission has jurisdiction in this matter pursuant to SDCL Chapters 1-26 and 49-31 and ARSD 20:10:01:15.05.

At a regularly scheduled meeting of May 24, 2004, the Commission found that the Petition to Intervene was timely filed and demonstrated good cause to grant intervention. It is therefore

ORDERED, that the Petition to Intervene of SDTA is hereby granted.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of June, 2004.

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: _____
Date: _____
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BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

ROBERT K. SAHR, Chairman

GARY HANSON, Commissioner

JAMES A. BURG, Commissioner