

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)
OF NAVIGATOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS,)
LLC FOR A CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY)
TO PROVIDE INTEREXCHANGE)
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES IN)
SOUTH DAKOTA)

**ORDER GRANTING
CERTIFICATE OF
AUTHORITY**

TC05-112

On July 29, 2005, 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 Navigator Telecommunications, LLC (Navigator).

Navigator proposes to provide interexchange services throughout South Dakota on a resale basis. Navigator intends to offer MTS, travel services and toll-free services to residential and business customers. A proposed tariff was filed by Navigator. The Commission has classified long distance service as fully competitive.

On August 4, 2005, the Commission electronically transmitted notice of the filing and the intervention deadline of August 19, 2005, to interested individuals and entities. No petitions to intervene or comments were filed and at its November 1, 2005, meeting, the Commission considered Navigator's request for a certificate of authority. Commission Staff recommended granting a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Navigator not offer any prepaid services (including prepaid calling cards) and not accept or require any 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 Navigator has met the legal requirements established for the granting of a certificate of authority. Navigator 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 Navigator's application for a certificate of authority, subject to the condition that Navigator not offer any prepaid services (including prepaid calling cards) and not accept or require any deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. As the Commission's final decision in this matter, it is therefore

ORDERED, that Navigator's application for a certificate of authority to provide interexchange telecommunications services is hereby granted, subject to the condition that Navigator not offer any prepaid services (including prepaid calling cards) and not accept or require any deposits or advance payments without prior approval of the Commission. It is

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

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this 2nd day of November, 2005.

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: Delaine Kaelo

Date: 11/7/05

(OFFICIAL SEAL)

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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GARY HANSON, Chairman

Robert K. Sahr
ROBERT K. SAHR, Commissioner

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