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VP Telecom, Inc.
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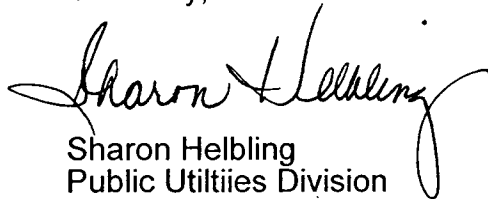
Brad VanLeur
VP Telecom Inc
1321 E 39th St N
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Dear Mr. VanLeur:

On June 19, 2002, the Commission issued Certificate of Registration Nos. 870 and 871 to VP Telecom, Inc. to provide resold local and interexchange telecommunications services in North Dakota, Case No. PU-2682-02-271. The Commission also issued Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity Nos. 4831 thru 4857 to VP Telecom, Inc. to provide facilities-based interexchange telecommunications services in North Dakota and facilities-based local exchange services in all exchanges currently served by Qwest, Case No. PU-2682-02-143. The original certificates are enclosed.

If you have any questions, you can contact me at 701-328-4076, FAX 701-328-2410, E-Mail mmail.sdh@oracle.psc.state.nd.us, or write.

Sincerely,



Sharon Helbling
Public Utilities Division

sdh

Enclosure

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Letter re approval

by Public Service Commission

06/20/2002

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience and Necessity

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE BY CERTIFIED MAIL

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Sharon Helbling deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **20th day of June, 2002**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

Order

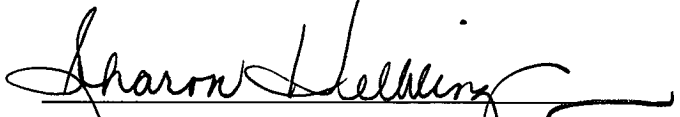

The envelope was addressed as follows:

Brad VanLear
VP Telecom, Inc.
1321 E 39th St N
Sioux Falls SD 57104
Cert. No. 7001 1940 0005 3426 8819

Each address shown is the respective addressee's last reasonably ascertainable post office address.

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **20th day of June, 2002**.

SEAL



Notary Public

SANDRA L. SCOTT
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires JUNE 11, 2004

APPROVED

MOTION

DATE: 6-19-02
KMH

June 19, 2002

**VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience and Necessity**

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

I move the Commission adopt the Order and issue certificates of public convenience and necessity authorizing VP Telecom, Inc. to provide facilities-based competitive local exchange services in all North Dakota exchanges currently served by Qwest Corporation, and interexchange telecommunications services throughout North Dakota, Case No. PU-2682-02-143.

JRL/sdh

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience and Necessity**

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

ORDER

June 19, 2002

On April 2, 2002, VP Telecom, Inc. (VP) of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, filed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications services in all North Dakota exchanges currently served by Qwest Corporation and interexchange services throughout North Dakota.

On April 10, 2002, the Commission issued a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, which provided until May 14, 2002 for receiving comments or requests for hearing. No requests for hearing were received. The Commission's notice identified the following issues to be considered in this matter:

1. Fitness and ability of the applicant to provide service.
2. Adequacy of the proposed service.
3. The technical, financial and managerial ability of the applicant to provide service.

On May 10, 2002, the Public Service Commission's Director of Accounting filed a memorandum indicating that VP has the financial ability to provide telecommunications service in North Dakota.

On June 5, 2002, the Commission conducted an informal hearing of VP's application.

VP is a South Dakota corporation that was incorporated in December 2000 and is authorized to provide telecommunications service in South Dakota. VP is wholly owned and operated by its two officers, both of which have extensive telecommunications operational experience and technical expertise. The Commission finds VP is fit, able, and has the technical, financial and managerial ability to provide service.

VP intends to provide local and interexchange services using a combination of leased facilities and resold services of other carriers. The services include local exchange access and usage services as well as long distance interexchange services. The Commission finds VP's proposed service adequate.

Order

The Commission Orders the application of VP Telecom, Inc. for certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide facilities-based competitive local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in all North Dakota exchanges currently served by Qwest Corporation is GRANTED.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Anthony T. Clark
Commissioner



Susan E. Wefald
President



Leo M. Reinbold
Commissioner

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4831

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide statewide interexchange (toll) telecommunications services, with facilities, in North Dakota.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



Commissioner

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4832


This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Belfield, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4833

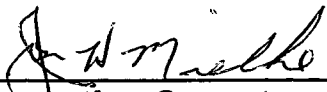
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Bismarck, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4834

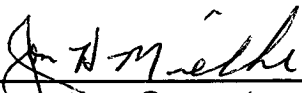
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Casselton, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4835

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Dickinson, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4836

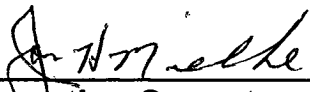
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Emerado, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4837

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Fargo, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4838

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Gardner, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.


Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4839

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Grafton, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4840

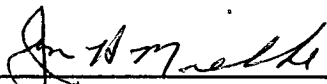
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Grand Forks, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4841

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Hatton, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4842

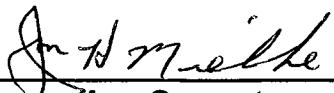
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Hillsboro, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4843

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Jamestown, North Dakota local exchange area.

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Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4844

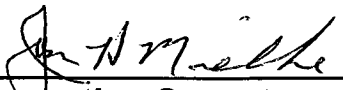
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Kindred, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

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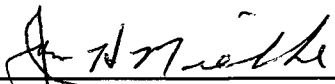
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Larimore, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4846

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Leonard, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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Executive Secretary



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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4847

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Mandan, North Dakota local exchange area.

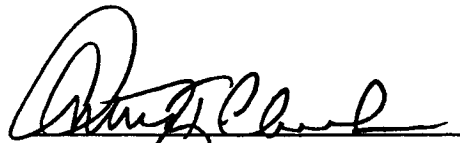
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Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

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Executive Secretary


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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4848

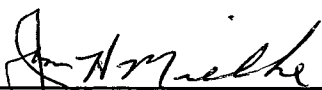
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Manvel, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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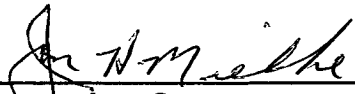
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Mayville, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4850

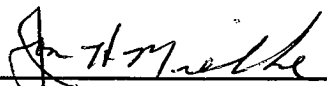
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Minto, North Dakota local exchange area.

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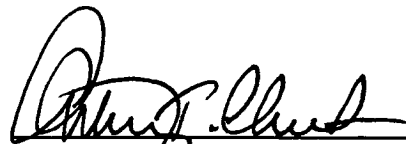
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Executive Secretary



Commissioner

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4851

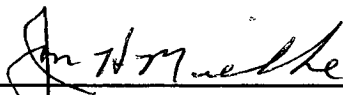
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Northwood, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

ATTEST:

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4852

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Reynolds, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

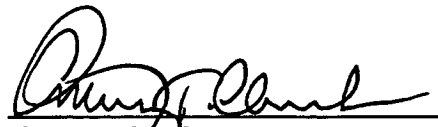
Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION



Executive Secretary



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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4853

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Thompson, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

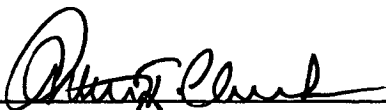
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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4854


This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Valley City, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

Certificate Number 4855

This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the Wahpeton, North Dakota local exchange area.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

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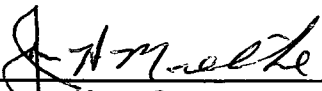
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the suburban territory near Fairview, Montana, part of the Fairview local exchange area, but located in North Dakota and served from the Fairview, Montana local central office.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

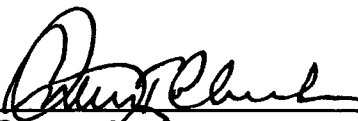
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Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity

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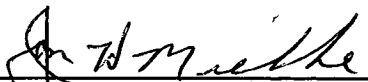
This is to certify that public convenience and necessity require, and permission is granted for VP Telecom, Inc., a telecommunications public utility, to provide local exchange telecommunications services inside the rural territory near Sidney, Montana, part of the Sidney local exchange area, but located in North Dakota and served from the Sidney, Montana local central office.

This certificate is issued in Case No. PU-2682-02-143 and is conditioned upon VP Telecom, Inc. securing the franchise or other authority of the proper municipal or other authority for the exercise of these rights and privileges.

Bismarck, North Dakota, June 19, 2002.

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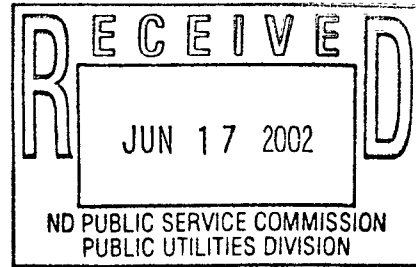

Commissioner

VP Telecom

1321 E. 39th St. N.
Sioux Falls, SD. 57104

June 12, 2002

Mr. John Mielke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505



Re: VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience & Necessity

PU-2682-02-143
Filed 4/2/02

Dear Mr. Mielke,

Enclosed please find an Affidavit in regards to the above mentioned filing by VP Telecom, Inc.. If you have any questions please feel free to call me at 605-373-9336.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad VanLeur".

Brad VanLeur
Pres.

enclosures

State of South Dakota)
 : ss.
County of Minnehaha)

AFFIDAVIT

Brad VanLeur and Michael Powers, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says as follows:

Brad VanLeur is the President and that Michael Powers is the Vice-President of VP Telecom, Inc., a South Dakota Corporation that was incorporated in December of year 2000. VP Telecom, Inc., is seeking authority to provide Competitive Local Exchange and Interexchange Services in the State of North Dakota.

VP Telecom intends to provide local services using unbundled network element platform (UNE-P) and resale purchased from Qwest. The Company plans to focus on providing services to business customers, but will provide services to residential customers as well in Commission approved Qwest Exchanges. Services will be direct marketed by trained Sales Representatives and only provided if a customer grants permission through a letter of agency. A tariff will be filed with the Commission after successfully negotiating and Interconnection Agreement with Qwest and before commencing to do business in North Dakota.

Most recently, VP Telecom, Inc. was granted a Certificate of Authority for Competitive Local Exchange and Interexchange Services in the State of South Dakota on May 30, 2002. Following the Authority VP Telecom opted into an Interconnection Agreement with Qwest and is filing this agreement with SD Public Utilities Commission. VP Telecom intends to do the same in North Dakota as soon as Authority is granted. VP Telecom also intends to become a registered Reseller in the State of North Dakota.

Mr. VanLeur and Mr. Powers biographical information, contained in Exhibit A of the Application, will indicate they both have extensive managerial and operational Interexchange and CLEC telecommunications experience. VP Telecom has recently hired Larry Graves to act as our technical provisioner and billing manager. Mr. Graves has approximately eighteen (18) years of experience in the telecommunications industry. As the Company's growth dictates additional staff will be hired and trained.


VP Telecom believes it has the Financial viability to act as a Telecommunications Company in North Dakota. An affidavit has been included in our Application stating such and a copy of VP Telecom's Balance Sheet will be faxed to the Commission.

The Affiants make this Affidavit in support of the requirements of the Public Service Commission of the State of North Dakota regarding the Application of VP Telecom, Inc., and respectfully wishes the Commission to grant a Certificate of Authority.

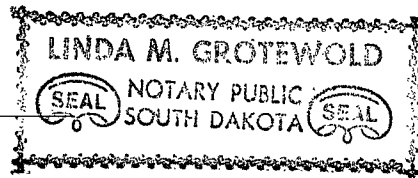

Brad VanLear


Michael Powers

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of June, 2002


Notary Public – State of South Dakota
(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: 3/12/2006



INFORMAL AGENDA

June 5, 2002

PU-314-97-193 U S WEST Communications, Inc.
Section 271 Compliance
Investigation

PU-2682-02-143 VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience and Necessity

PU-402-97-506 Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
1996
Annual Report

PU-402-01-189 Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
2000
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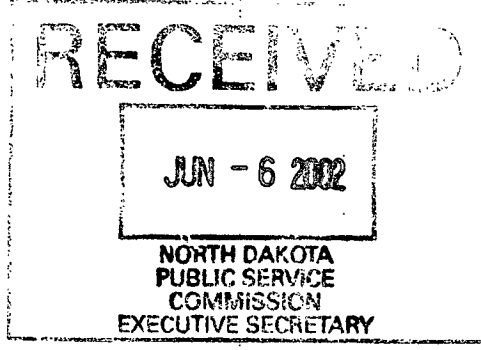
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Cash Basis

**VP Telecom
Balance Sheet
As of June 6, 2002**

	Jun 6, 02
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking	1,917.98
Total Checking/Savings	1,917.98
Accounts Receivable	
Stock Subscription Receivable	100,000.00
Total Accounts Receivable	100,000.00
Other Current Assets	
Inventory	2,396.01
Total Other Current Assets	2,396.01
Total Current Assets	104,313.99
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>104,313.99</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	193.31
Total Accounts Payable	193.31
Other Current Liabilities	
Payable to VP Vending	600.00
Sales Tax Payable	-16.69
Total Other Current Liabilities	583.31
Total Current Liabilities	776.62
Total Liabilities	776.62
Equity	
Additional Paid-in-Capital	32,013.41
Capital Stock	114,000.00
Retained Earnings	-40,020.07
Net Income	-2,455.97
Total Equity	103,537.37
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>104,313.99</u>



Scott, Sandi L.

From: Bauske, Shelly A.
Sent: Tuesday, June 04, 2002 4:10 PM
To: Scott, Sandi L.
Subject: FW: Money Received.....

-----Original Message-----

From: Geiger, Gloria A.
Sent: Tuesday, June 04, 2002 2:49 PM
To: Bauske, Shelly A.
Subject: RE: Money Received.....

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Gloria Geiger
Administrative Staff Officer
North Dakota Public Service Commission
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gag@oracle.psc.state.nd.us

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From: Bauske, Shelly A.
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To: Geiger, Gloria A.
Subject: Money Received.....

Case No. PU-2682-02-143
VP Telecom Inc
\$172.63

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\$172.63 received

by VP Telecom, Inc.

06/03/2002

CC: Comm Legal Ilona Jerry

APPROVED

DATE: 5-22-02
KMF

MOTION

May 22, 2002

VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

I move the Commission bill VP Telecom, Inc. for costs incurred to date in
Case No. PU-2682-02-143, VP Telecom, Inc., Local Exchange/Interexchange,
Public Convenience & Necessity.



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May 22, 2002

Brad VanLeur
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Sioux Falls SD 57104

RE: Case No. PU-2682-02-143
VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience & Necessity

Enclosed is a copy of the statement approved at the May 22, 2002 Public Service Commission meeting for the expenses incurred to date in Case No. PU-2682-02-143.

Under N.D.C.C. 49-21-01.7, these expenses are billed through the Valuation Fund and must be paid for by the telecommunications company involved.

Please make your check payable to the *Public Service Commission*.

Sincerely,

Gloria Geiger
Admin Staff Officer
701-328-2401

Enc.

Billing Statement

May 22, 2002

VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience & Necessity

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

Bill To:

VP Telecom, Inc.....\$172.63

Expenses Incurred to Date:

Advertising Costs \$172.63

Send Payment and a Copy of this Statement To:

Public Service Commission
600 E Boulevard Ave Dept 408
Bismarck ND 58505-0480

Federal Tax ID 45-0309764

STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
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Case No. PU-2682-02-143

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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH

Sharon Helbling deposes and says that:

she is over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action and, on the **13th day of May, 2002**, she deposited in the United States Mail, Bismarck, North Dakota, **one** envelope with certified postage, return receipt requested, fully prepaid, securely sealed and each containing a photocopy of:

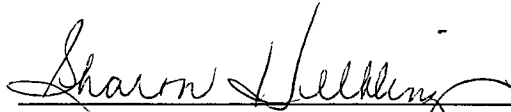
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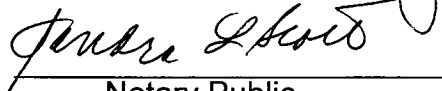
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Subscribed and sworn to before me
this **13th day of May, 2002**.





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Memorandum RECEIVED

MAY 13 2002

**NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

To: Jon Mielke
From: Mike Diller *Mike Diller*
Date: May 10, 2002
Re: **VP Telecom, Inc.**
Local Exchange / Interexchange PC&N Application
Case No. PU-2682-02-143

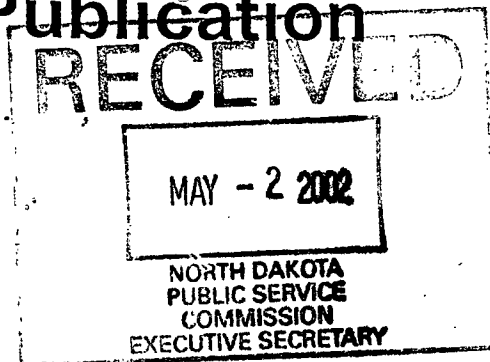
The following is written to provide the commission with a very limited review of this case regarding the applicant's financial ability to provide service. VP Telecom, Inc. is a privately held corporation and as such its financial statements are not available to the public. The president of the company, Brad VanLeur, has filed an affidavit stating that VP Telecom, Inc. has positive stockholder equity.

Based on the affidavit, staff concludes that the applicant has access to sufficient equity to provide service in North Dakota.

Staff sees no reason to deny this application.

In accordance with the Commission's wishes, staff will serve this document on the applicant.

Affidavit of Publication



State of North Dakota)
County of Burleigh)

Laurie Thiel

, being duly sworn, state as follows:

1. I am the designated agent, under the provisions and for the purposes of, Section 31-04-06, NDCC, for the newspapers listed on the attached exhibits.
2. The newspapers listed on the exhibits published the advertisement of:
Blue Bridge / VP Telecom , 1 time(s)
as required by law or ordinance.
3. All of the listed newspapers are legal newspapers in the State of North Dakota and, under the provisions of Section 46-05-01, NDCC, are qualified to publish any public notice or any matter required by law or ordinance to be printed or published in a newspaper in North Dakota.

Signed: Laurie Thiel

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of April A.D. 2002.

Laurie Schaffer

LAURIE SCHAFFER
Notary Public, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
My Commission Expires DEC. 1, 2005

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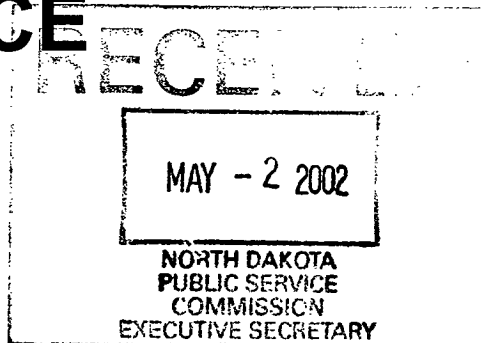
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1435 Interstate Loop • Bismarck, ND 58501-0567 • PHONE (701) 223-6397 • FAX (701) 223-8185 • www.ndna.com

INVOICE

Date: 05/01/2002

To: JON H. MIELKE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
STATE CAPITOL
BISMARCK ND 58505



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Client: Public Service Commission

Order: 02044PP3

Newspaper	Date	Inches	Page#	Rate	Amount
Bismarck Tribune	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	55.00	SPR2	0.61	33.55
Devils Lake Daily Journal	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	58.00	SPR2	0.57	33.06
Dickinson Press	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	61.00	SPR2	0.52	31.72
Fargo, The Forum	Blue Ridge 04/22/2002	53.00	SPR2	0.73	38.69
Grand Forks Herald	Blue Ridge 04/18/2002	54.00	SPR2	0.61	32.94
Jamestown Sun	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	64.00	SPR2	0.50	32.00
Minot Daily News	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	99.00	SPR2	0.42	41.58
Valley City Times-Record	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	61.00	SPR2	0.52	31.72
Wahpeton Daily News	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	61.00	SPR2	0.52	31.72
Williston Herald	Blue Ridge 04/17/2002	58.00	SPR2	0.66	38.28

*** ADVERTISING TOTAL 345.26

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This invoice is due and payable upon receipt. Unpaid items over 30 days from invoice date are subject to a finance charge. The finance charge is computed by a periodic rate of 1 3/4 percent per month (or a minimum charge of 50 cents for balances of under \$50), which is an annual percentage rate of 21 percent.

Total unpaid balance may be paid at any time.

Please pay from this invoice — No statement will be sent. Return duplicate with remittance to North Dakota Advertising Service, Inc.

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April 10, 2002
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STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
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Blue Ridge Telecom Systems, LLC
Local Exchange
Public Convenience and Necessity

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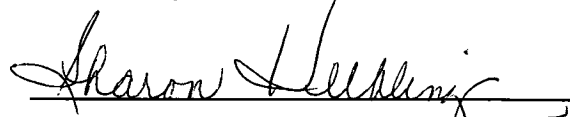
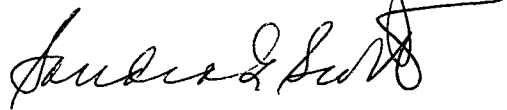
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Notary Public

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Affidavits of Service

by Public Service Commission

04/11/2002

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SANDRA L. SCOTT
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My Commission Expires JUNE 11, 2004

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From: Helbling, Sharon D.
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**Colleen
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Colleen,

Please have the attached Notice of Opportunity for Hearing and Notice of Opportunity to File Written Comments published as legal publications in the next issue of the ten North Dakota daily newspapers, and run them as "News Item Only" articles as well.

Please send the bill to the Public Service Commission, along with a tear sheet for billing purposes.

If you have any questions, please call me at 701-328-4076.

Thank you.

**Sharon Helbling
Public Utilities Division**



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April 10, 2002

**Blue Ridge Telecom Systems, LLC
Local Exchange
Public Convenience and Necessity**

Case No. PU-2675-02-127

**VP Telecom, Inc.
Local Exchange/Interexchange
Public Convenience and Necessity**

Case No. PU-2682-02-143

I move the Commission issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in the captioned applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide telecommunications services in North Dakota, Case Nos. PU-2675-02-127 and PU-2682-02-143.

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**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

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Case No. PU-2675-02-127

**VP Telecom, Inc.
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Case No. PU-2682-02-143

**NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING
April 10, 2002**

On March 25, 2002, Blue Ridge Telecom Systems, LLC of Las Vegas, Nevada, filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications services in all North Dakota exchanges currently served by Qwest Corporation.

On April 2, 2002, VP Telecom, Inc. of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, filed an application for certificates of public convenience and necessity to provide competitive local exchange telecommunications services in all North Dakota exchanges currently served by Qwest Corporation and interexchange services throughout North Dakota.

The issues to be considered in this matter are:

1. Fitness and ability of the applicant to provide service.
2. Adequacy of the proposed service.
3. Technical, financial and managerial ability of the applicant to provide service.

Those interested are invited to comment on the application in writing. Persons desiring a hearing must file a written request identifying their interest in the proceeding and the reasons for requesting a hearing. Comments and requests for hearings must be received by **May 14, 2002**. If deemed appropriate, the Commission can determine the matter without a hearing.

For more information contact the Public Service Commission, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota 58505, 701-328-2400; or Relay North Dakota 1-800-366-6888 TTY. If you require any auxiliary aids or services, such as readers, signers, or Braille materials please notify Jon Mielke, Executive Secretary.

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March 13, 2002

Mr. John Mielke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard
Bismarck, ND 58505

Re: Application of VP Telecom, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Competitive Facilities-Based Local Exchange Telecommunications Services and Interexchange Services in the State of North Dakota

Dear Mr. Mielke,

Enclosed, on behalf of VP Telecom, Inc., please find an original, and seven copies of the above-captioned filing. If there are any questions please contact me at (605) 373-9336. Thank you in advance for assistance with this matter.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad VanLeur".

Brad VanLeur

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**BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF
NORTH DAKOTA**

Application of)
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VP Telecom, Inc.)
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For a Certificate of Public Convenience and) **Docket No.** _____
Necessity to Provide Competitive)
Facilities-Based Local Exchange and)
Interexchange Telecommunications)
Services in the State of North Dakota)

APPLICATION

VP Telecom, Inc. (“VP Telecom,” “Applicant” or “Company”), by its representatives and pursuant to ND CENT. CODE §49-03.1-03-49-03.1-04, respectfully requests that the Commission grant it a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide facilities-based local exchange and interexchange telecommunication services in the State of North Dakota. In addition, the Company respectfully requests, pursuant to ND CENT. CODE §49-03.1-05, that if no request for hearing on this application is received within the specified time, the Commission exercises its discretionary authority to grant the requested certificate without such a hearing. VP Telecom proposes to offer facilities-based local exchange services to consumers in the State of North Dakota utilizing combinations of unbundled network elements (“UNEs”), specifically the unbundled network elements platform (“UNE-P”) and resale products purchased from the incumbent local exchange provider. At some future date the Company may expand in facilities-based services via its own equipment; however, at present, the Company intends

to concentrate upon provision of resale or through UNE combinations.

Initially, VP Telecom will focus on providing local and long distance services to business customers, however services will be available to residential consumers as well. The goal will be to bring a full range of competitive telecommunication choices to consumers in the State of North Dakota.

In support of its Application, VP Telecom provides the following information:

I. THE APPLICANT

A. Corporate Information

1. VP Telecom is a privately-held corporation formed on December 20, 2000 under The laws of South Dakota.

VP Telecom's principal address is:

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Toll Free (866) 834-7837

A copy of VP Telecom's Articles of Incorporation is enclosed.

2. VP Telecom has applied to transact business in North Dakota as a foreign corporation. A copy of the Company's application to transact business is also enclosed.

The name and address of VP Telecom's registered agent in North Dakota for service of process is:

Eric R. Johnson
1129 5th Ave S.
P.O. Box 1897
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3. Those persons specifically in charge of VP Telecom's North Dakota operations are still to be determined; however, in the interim, all questions regarding the Applicant's operations may be addressed to:

Brad VanLeur, President
VP Telecom
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Sioux Falls, SD 57104
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B. Owners, Partners, or Corporate Officers

4. The following is a list of VP Telecom's owners and officers

Brad VanLeur, President 1321 Parkview Pl, Brandon, SD 57005

Michael Powers, V. President 3408 W Norrie, Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Biographical information discussing the background and experience of these officers is appended as **Exhibit A**. The above-listed individuals may be reached at the following address:

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II. DESIGNATED CONTACTS

5. The designated contact for this application is:

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Copies of all correspondence, notices, inquiries and orders should be sent to the for-mentioned individual, who is the Applicant's contact person for all regulatory, compliance, consumer issues or customer complaints.

III. DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS AND AUTHORITY REQUESTED

6. VP Telecom intends to operate as a provider of local exchange and long distance telecommunications services in the State of North Dakota. The Company is committed to provision a full range of competitive telecom services to both business and residential consumers, however VP Telecom plans to focus their marketing efforts towards business customers.

7. Currently, VP Telecom is not certified to provide telecommunications in the United States. The Company plans on seeking a Certificate of Authority in other states, at this time, none other applications are pending.

8. By this Application, VP Telecom seeks authority from the Commission to provide a full range of facilities-based local and long distance telecommunications services. The Company intends to market all forms of switched and dedicated telecommunications services, including data and internet services, through direct sales employees and sales agents. A list of employees and agents will be forwarded to the Commission after they are hired or contracted. The Company does not plan to market

pre-paid calling cards, operator services or telemarket.

9. With respect to the scope of its initial operations, VP Telecom proposes to operate in those areas of North Dakota approved by the Commission for provision of competitive local exchange services. The Company respectfully requests permission to concur in the service area maps of Qwest, already on file with the Commission. VP Telecom is currently negotiating an interconnection agreement with Qwest. The Company will submit its agreements and Company tariffs, pursuant to the Commission's procedures, once they become available.

IV. DESCRIPTION AND FITNESS OF THE COMPANY

10. The Company will herein, demonstrate to the Commission that it is well qualified managerially, technically and financially to provide competitive telecommunication services for which authority is requested in the Application.

VP Telecom's management team includes individuals with substantial experience in the successful development and operations of a telecommunication business. The Company is managed by persons with technical expertise in interexchange and CLEC networks. Further details regarding the business and operational experience of VP Telecom's officers and management are provided in **Exhibit A**.

11. As provided as **Exhibit B**, please find an Affidavit from VP Telecom stating that the Officers and management has access to sufficient capital to fund the development and maintenance of its telecommunications operations in North Dakota.

V. PROPOSED TARIFF

12. All of the proposed local exchange services offered by VP Telecom in North Dakota will be provided pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Company's local exchange service tariff. This tariff will be provided after successfully negotiating an interconnection agreement with Qwest.

VI. BILLING INFORMATION

13. The Company will bill all of its customers directly. All invoices sent to customers will bear the company's name and provide a toll-free number for customer inquiries and complaints.

VII. CUSTOMER SERVICE

14. VP Telecom will assist customers with billing questions between the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Customer Service Representatives will also be available to assist customers with other questions and product offerings. VP Telecom will work with customers to resolve any complaints in a satisfactory manner.

15. Written inquiries from regulatory agencies and others will be handled by management of the Company. Written complaints will be promptly reviewed, researched and responded to in a reasonable time.

16. Service and maintenance issues will be dealt with 24 hours a day, seven (7) days a week, by calling toll free at (866) 834-7837.

VIII. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

17. The Applicant agrees to abide by all applicable statutes, orders, rules and regulations entered and adopted by the Commission for competitive local carriers in North Dakota. The Company will allow its local exchange customers to obtain interlata and intralata long distance service from other toll carriers as well as local operator

services and directory assistance services from other providers on a non-discriminatory basis. Where the Company offers a service in a particular exchange, the Company will offer that service on a non-discriminatory basis to all customers in that exchange. The Company will provide its local customers with a local calling area that is at least as large in scope as the calling area of the incumbent local exchange carrier in the area.

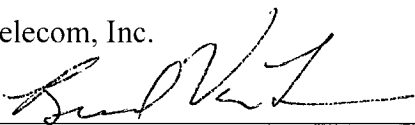
IX. PUBLIC INTEREST CONSIDERATIONS

18. Approval of this Application will serve the public interest and result in direct benefits to local and long distance customers in North Dakota. The Company will excel in outstanding customer service and provide packaged services that are affordable and unique to the telecommunications industry.

WHEREFORE, VP Telecom respectfully petitions this Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide competitive facilities-based local exchange and interexchange telecommunications services in the State of North Dakota.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibit A

Brad VanLeur-----President VP Telecom

Mr. VanLeur has approximately sixteen (16) years experience in the telecommunications industry. Most recently Mr. VanLeur was VP. Of Marketing and Operations Director for Advanced Communications. Advanced Communications was a Central U.S. CLEC with approximately \$100 million in Revenue. Mr. VanLeur was in charge of more than 150 personnel, including all provisioning, repair, maintenance, customer service, sales, etc.

Prior to Advance Communications, Mr. VanLeur was VP and a partner in FirsTel, Inc. FirsTel was certified to do business as both an Interexchange and CLEC Telecommunication provider in SD, ND, IA, MN, NE and WY. During this time Mr. VanLeur was instrumental in organizing the sales, billing services and switching platform for the Interexchange Business. Mr. VanLeur also introduced Wireless resale to FirsTel and helped it to become the 5th largest reseller in the U.S. for Western Wireless. In addition, Mr. VanLeur helped FirsTel to become one of the first CLEC's approved by the Commission to do business. During this time he successfully negotiated an agreement with US West and helped US West with important input to develop a successful wholesale program.

Prior to FirsTel, Mr. VanLeur was Director of Operations in SD for LDDS/MCI WorldCom and was involved with other start-ups (Long-Lines Tele-Tech, CompuTel and

Dial-Net) all of which were Interexchange carriers in which he held positions of General Manager and Sales Manager.

With Mr. VanLeur's prior experience we hope to demonstrate to the Commission that VP Telecom has the technical and managerial experience to successfully operate a telecommunications service.

Biography
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Michael Powers started in the communications industry in 1978 as a salesman and later sales manager for what was then known as an "interconnect company" in Sioux Falls, SD, selling key and PBX telephone systems to businesses in the local area. He remained there until 1984 when he left to take a position as general manager and part owner of a start up company called Tele-Tech Inc. in Sioux Falls, founded to provide long distance services to local businesses. After successfully establishing Tele-Tech Mr. Powers left in 1986 to found Compu-Tel, another start up company, which offered long distance, 800 services and telephone systems to companies in South Dakota. He sold Compu-Tel to Dial-Net in 1989. Mr. Powers remained active in telecommunications for several years after that providing consulting services to various telephone related companies, while branching out into the gaming business. From 1993 to 1995 he was president and CEO of Concorde Gaming of Rapid City, SD, a publicly held firm. Among other things, Concorde financed, built, and operated a successful gaming facility for the Three Affiliated Tribes in New Town, ND under his tenure. In 1997 he founded a successful gaming company in Spokane, WA. In 1998 and 1999 he served as regional operations manager for Advanced Communications, a publicly traded company based in St. Louis MO. As operations manager he supervised billing, customer service, provisioning, and human resources for Advanced Communications which provided cellular, long distance, and CLEC services for a seven state region with approximately \$30,000,000 in annual revenues.

Mr. Powers has a masters degree in business administration from the University of SD and is listed in Who's Who among outstanding American businessmen.

Exhibit B

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County of Minnehaha)

AFFIDAVIT

BRAD VANLEUR, being first duly sworn upon oath, deposes and says as follows:

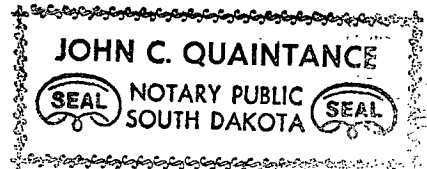
1. That he is the President of VP Telecom, Inc., a South Dakota Corporation, and is familiar with that Corporation's stockholder equity;
2. That VP Telecom, Inc. has a positive stockholder equity; and
3. That Affiant makes this Affidavit to meet the requirements of the Public Service Commission of the State of North Dakota regarding the financial viability of VP Telecom, Inc.

Brad VanLaur

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of March, 2002.

Notary Public - State of South Dakota
(SEAL)

My Commission Expires: 10/17/2004



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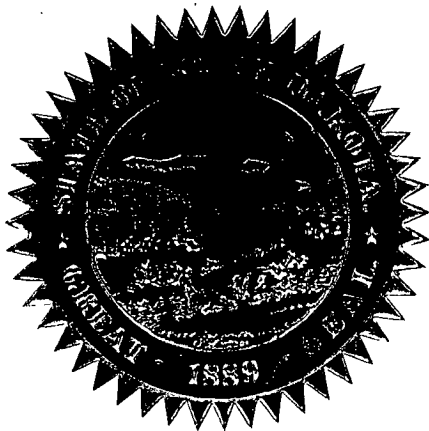


OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Certificate of Incorporation Business Corporation

I, **JOYCE HAZELTINE**, Secretary of State of the State of South Dakota, hereby certify that the Articles of Incorporation of **VP TELECOM, INC.** duly signed and verified, pursuant to the provisions of the South Dakota Business Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY, and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I hereby issue this Certificate of Incorporation and attach hereto a duplicate of the Articles of Incorporation.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, at Pierre, the Capital, this December 20, 2000.

Joyce Hazeltine
Secretary of State

Filed this 20th day of
Dec., 2010

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SECRETARY OF STATE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

VP Telecom, Inc.

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I the undersigned natural person of the age of twenty-one (21) years or more, acting as Incorporators of a Corporation under the South Dakota Business Corporation Act, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation for such Corporation:

ARTICLE I

The name of the Corporation is:

VP Telecom, Inc.

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE III

The Corporation is organized for the purpose of conducting a cellular telecommunications business and any business incidental or related thereto. The Corporation is also organized to conduct such other businesses or business activities considered necessary, appropriate or desirable by the Board of Directors of the Corporation. With respect to the foregoing purposes and all other purposes not prohibited by the laws of the State of South Dakota, the Corporation is authorized (1) to make, enter into, and execute any and all agreements deemed necessary or appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Corporation, including, but not limited to, agreements to borrow or loan money; (2) to construct, own, purchase, maintain, operate, sell, lease, or dispose of real and personal property; (3) to associate with or employ other individuals or entities; (4) to enter into partnerships, joint ventures, and other business or charitable associations or activities; and (5) to do all other things necessary, appropriate, desirable, subsidiary, or contingent for putting into effect, maintaining, and conducting the purposes of the Corporation and to accomplish all other purposes not prohibited by the laws of the State of South Dakota from being conducted by a corporation.

ARTICLE IV

The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation shall have authority to issue is one thousand (1,000), each share having a par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

ARTICLE V

The Corporation will not commence business until at least One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) has been received by it as consideration for the issuance of shares.

ARTICLE VI

No Shareholder shall have the preemptive right to acquire additional or Treasury Shares of the Corporation.

ARTICLE VII

All provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation will be established in Bylaws as adopted, from time to time, by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

The address of the initial Registered Office of the Corporation is Suite 600, Security Bank Building, 100 North Phillips Avenue, P.O. Box 2208, Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57104-6725 (57101-2208), and the name of its initial Registered Agent at such address is John C. Quaintance.

ARTICLE IX

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is two (2), and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Directors until the first Annual Meeting of Shareholders or until his or her successor is elected and shall qualify, are:

NAME

ADDRESS

Michael C. Powers

3408 West Norie Place
Sioux Falls, SD 57106

Brad VanLeur

1321 Parkview Place
Brandon, SD 57005.

ARTICLE X

The name and address of the Incorporator is:

NAME

ADDRESS

John C. Quaintance

48337 253rd Street
Garretson, SD 57030.

ARTICLE XI

These Articles may be amended in the manner authorized by law at the time of the Amendment.

Executed in duplicate on the 18th day of December, 2000.



John C. Quaintance

INCORPORATOR.

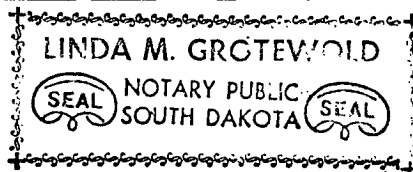
State of South Dakota)
 : ss.
County of Minnehaha)

I, **LINDA M. GROTEWOLD**, a Notary Public, hereby certify that on the 18th day of December, 2000, personally appeared before me, **JOHN C. QUAINANCE**, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that he is the person who signed the foregoing document as Incorporator, and that the statements therein contained are true.



Notary Public - State of South Dakota
(SEAL)

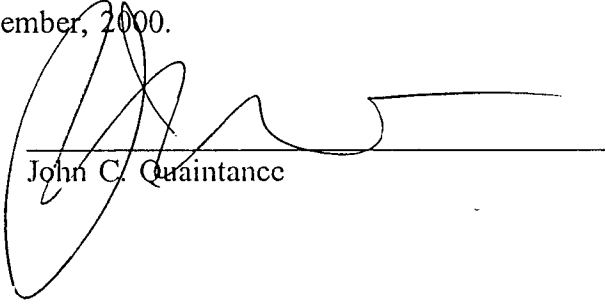
My Commission Expires: 3/12/2006



CONSENT TO APPOINTMENT BY THE REGISTERED AGENT

I, **JOHN C. QUAINANCE**, hereby give my consent to serve as the Registered Agent for **VP Telecom, Inc.**

Dated this 18th day of December, 2000.



John C. Quaintance

State of North Dakota

SECRETARY OF STATE



CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

OF

VP TELECOM, INC.

The undersigned, as Secretary of State of the State of North Dakota, hereby certifies that VP TELECOM, INC., a South Dakota corporation, authorized to transact business in the State of North Dakota on March 26, 2002, and according to the records of this office as of this date, has paid all fees due this office as required by North Dakota statutes governing foreign corporations.

ACCORDINGLY the undersigned, as such Secretary of State, and by virtue of the authority vested in him by law, hereby issues this Certificate of Good Standing to

VP TELECOM, INC.

Issued: March 26, 2002

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Alvin A. Jaeger".

Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State



**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
FOREIGN CORPORATION
APPLICATION**
SECRETARY OF STATE
SFN 13100 (9-94)

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

ID#	
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Approved By	
Filed	By

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR FEES, FILING AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. The application is accompanied by

- Certificate of authority fee for Foreign Business & Professional \$125
 Certificate of authority fee for Foreign Nonprofit \$40
 Current, ORIGINAL certificate of good standing duly authenticated by the incorporating officer of the state or country of incorporation.
- *Signed consent of registered agent and fee of \$10
 Certification of professional license
 Signed consent to use of name and fee of \$10
 Trade Name application and fee of \$25

For reference, see North Dakota Century Code, Chapter 10-22 or 10-27.

2. Identify type of corporation applying for certificate of authority:

- Foreign Business Foreign Professional Foreign Nonprofit

3.A. Name of Corporation exactly as it appears on certificate of good standing from state of origin
VP Telecom, Inc.

B. Federal ID #

46-0459512

C. Corporate Name to be Used in North Dakota. For reference, see North Dakota Century Code, Section 10-22-03 or 10-31-05 (SEE INSTRUCTION) VP Telecom, Inc.

D. Corporate Name is the same as, or deceptively similar to a name registered with the North Dakota Secretary of State and the application for certificate of authority is being submitted with:

- Consent to use of name
 A resolution of the board of directors adopting a trade name for use in transacting business in North Dakota, and an application therefor.
 The trade name adopted is:

- Certified copy of a final decree of a court of competent jurisdiction establishing prior right of this corporation to use of the name in North Dakota

4. Complete Mailing Address of Principal Place of Business (Street/RR, PO Box, City, State, Zip)

1321 East 39th Street North, Suite B., Sioux Falls, SD 57104

5.A. Business Address (or Registered Agent's Address) in State or Country WHERE INCORPORATED

John C. Quaintance, P.O. Box 2208, Sioux Falls, SD 57101-2208

B. Telephone #

605/339-1000

C. STATE or Country Where Incorporated

South Dakota

D. Date Incorporated (Month, Day, Year)

December 20, 2000

E. Duration of Corporation

- Perpetual
 Other (Specify)

F. Toll-Free Telephone #

6.A. Name of Registered Agent in North Dakota

Erik R. Johnson

B. Federal ID/Social Security # of Registered Agent

501-76-4068

C. Address of Registered Agent in NORTH DAKOTA (Street/RR, PO Box, City, State, Zip)

1129 5th Avenue South, P.O. Box 1897, Fargo, ND 58107-1897

7. Purpose or purposes the corporation proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in the State of North Dakota

conducting a cellular telecommunications business

8. OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION

OFFICE	Check Box If Officer Also Serves As Director	NAME	SOCIAL SECURITY #	COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS			
				Street/RR	PO Box	City	State Zip Code
PRESIDENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brad VanLeur	503-84-8225	1321 Parkview Place, Brandon, SD			57005
VICE PRESIDENT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael C. Powers	504-68-8784	3408 West Norie Place, Sioux Falls, SD			57106
SECRETARY	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michael C. Powers	504-68-8784	3408 West Norie Place, Sioux Falls, SD			57106
TREASURER	<input type="checkbox"/>	Brad VanLeur	503-84-8225	1321 Parkview Place, Brandon, SD			57005
DIRECTOR							
DIRECTOR							

9. The undersigned, an officer of the corporation, has read the foregoing application, knows the contents thereof, and believes the statements made thereon to be true.

Michael C. Powers, Secretary

March 12, 2002
 Date



**REGISTERED AGENT
CONSENT TO SERVE
SECRETARY OF STATE
SFN 7974 (8-94)**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

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Approved By	
Filed	By

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR FILING AND MAILING INSTRUCTIONS

1. FILING FEE: \$10.00

VP Telecom, Inc.

2. Name of the Corporation or Limited Liability Company for Which the Registered Agent is to Serve

Erik R. Johnson

3. Name of the Registered Agent

A. Registered Agent is (Check One)

- An Individual North Dakota Resident
- A Corporation
- A Limited Liability Company

B. Social Security/Federal ID # of Registered Agent

501-76-4068

4. The designated registered agent hereby consents to act in that capacity for the above named corporation or limited liability company until removed or resignation is submitted in accordance with North Dakota statutes.

Signature of Registered Agent

Erik R. Johnson

March 19, 2002

Date

94-2482-02-143

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION

- Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.
- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
- Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.

1. Article Addressed to:

Brad Van Lier
 VP Telecom Inc
 1321 E 39th St N
 Sioux Falls SD 57104

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Received by (Please Print Clearly)

B. Date of Delivery

6/24

C. Signature

X *[Signature]*

Agent

Addressee

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? Yes

If YES, enter delivery address below: No

1701 N Louise Ave
 SF SD 57107

3. Service Type

Certified Mail Express Mail

Registered Return Receipt for Merchandise

Insured Mail C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee)

Yes

2. Article Number (Copy from service label)

7001 1940 0005 3426 8819

PS Form 3811, July 1999

Domestic Return Receipt

102595-00-M-0952

94-2482-02-143

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 VP Telecom Inc
 1321 E 39th St N
 Sioux Falls SD 57104

COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY

A. Received by (Please Print Clearly)

B. Date of Delivery

7-15

C. Signature

X *[Signature]*

Agent

Addressee

D. Is delivery address different from item 1? Yes

If YES, enter delivery address below: No

3. Service Type

Certified Mail Express Mail

Registered Return Receipt for Merchandise

Insured Mail C.O.D.

4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee)

Yes

2. Article Number (Copy from service label)

7001 2510 0005 8655 6667

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