

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: AMERICAN TELECO LLP d/b/a AMERICAN TELCO OF IOWA	DOCKET NOS. TCU-03-14 TF-03-495
	CERTIFICATE NO. 0275

**ORDER APPROVING DISCONTINUANCE OF SERVICE,
CANCELLING CERTIFICATE, AND WITHDRAWING TARIFF**

(Issued September 20, 2007)

On December 5, 2003, the Utilities Board (Board) issued a certificate of public convenience and necessity, identified as Certificate No. 0275, to American Telco of Iowa (American Telco), authorizing American Telco to provide local telecommunications service in Iowa. Also on December 5, 2003, the Board approved American Telco's local exchange tariff, identified as TF-03-495.

On July 30, 2007, American Telco filed a request to cancel its existing certificate. American Telco states that it is no longer conducting business in Iowa, effective August 31, 2007, and that it provided notice to its customers informing them that American Telco would no longer be providing local exchange service.

The Board will approve American Telco's discontinuance of service and cancel its certificate and corresponding local exchange tariff. The Board notes that while American Telco did not adhere to the exact procedures for the discontinuance of service outlined in 199 IAC 22.16, the notice American Telco sent to its customers

informing them of American Telco's discontinuance of local exchange service appears to have been sufficient to comply with the intent of the rule, as the Board has not received any complaints from American Telco customers regarding the discontinuance. Because American Telco is no longer providing local exchange service in Iowa, the Board finds it appropriate to cancel American Telco's certificate and withdraw its tariff. If American Telco's business plan changes and it would like to begin providing local service in Iowa in the future, American Telco will need to reapply for certification.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. The discontinuance of local exchange service offered by American Telco of Iowa effective August 31, 2007, is approved.
2. The request by American Telco of Iowa to cancel its certificate of public convenience and necessity, Certificate No. 0275, filed July 30, 2007, is granted.
3. American Telco of Iowa's local exchange tariff, identified as TF-03-495, is withdrawn.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ John R. Norris

/s/ Curtis W. Stamp

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Krista K. Tanner

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 20th day of September, 2007.