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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Director Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water Joseph Hellewell, Utility Analyst

RE: Universal Service Funds Status Docket #18-999-09

Attached for your information is the latest status report on the Utah Universal Service Fund. All reported amounts are proprietary.

The Universal Service Fund showed a balance of \$6,373,187.83 at the end of July 2018, which is a decrease of \$601,937.47 from the previous month. High cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$1,787,241.86. This amount is double what it normally is due to a reporting error which resulted in two months of high cost support being reported in July. Relay Utah disbursements for July were \$9,883.69. Contributions for June totaled \$1,195,188.08. The fund has ranged between \$3.3 and \$7.0 million for the last 12 months.

In July, 4 providers reported using revenue as a basis for remitting their USF contribution. Their contributions totaled \$20,732.45. The Division is continuing education efforts for providers that contribute under the old rules. 92 providers remitted USF based on connections. There were 3,296,564 connections reported for June. 1,140 connections were claimed as exempt by providers.

Attachments (6 pages)



<u>July 2018 Contributions</u> USF Contributions Other Adjustments	\$	1,195,188.08
Total Collected	\$	1,195,188.08
July 2018 Expenses		
USF Paid Out		
ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	\$	340,335.16
BEAR LAKE COMMUNICATIONS	\$	43,797.16
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	\$	147,678.20
CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE INC	\$	44,594.66
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	\$	98,050.00
EMERY TELCOM	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$	185,166.00
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	\$	57,552.84
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	\$	13,092.34
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$	158,333.34
SKYLINE TELECOM	\$	7,718.00
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	\$	350,548.00
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	\$	327,732.66
UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$	12,643.50
Other Expenses		
Speech & Hearing Impaired Total	\$	9,883.69
Total Expenses	\$	1,797,125.55
July 2018 Net Increase (Decrease)	\$	(601,937.47)
June 2018 USF Balance	\$	6,975,125.30
End of July 2018 USF Balance	\$	6,373,187.83