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## **HAND DELIVERED**

Public Service Commission of Utah Heber M. Wells Building 160 East 300 South Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

Re: Advice Letter

Emery Telephone /10-042-01

## To the Commission:

In accordance with Utah Code Annotated §54-7-12(7) and R746-405 of the Public Service Commission's Rules, Emery Telephone ("Emery") hereby files the original and ten (10) copies of the following Revised Tariff Sheets of Emery's Local Access Tariff on file with the Commission:

- 1. 8<sup>th</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 22, canceling 7<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 22;
- $2.3^{rd}$  Revised Tariff Sheet No. 23, canceling  $2^{nd}$  Revised Sheet No. 23;
- 3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 64, canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 64;

The Board of Directors of Emery has, pursuant to Utah Code Annotated §54-7-12(7), approved a rate increase for Basic Residential Service (R-1) from \$13.50 per month to \$15.00 per month and for Basic Business Service (B-1) from \$23.00 per month to \$24.50 per month for all Emery customers, including Green River, and has increased the PBX Trunk monthly rate from \$28.45 to \$29.95 per month. Additionally, the Board of Directors of Emery has consolidated its local service area exchanges from 4 exchanges to one exchange, now known as the Emery County Exchange, and has eliminated the extended area service fee of \$4.95 in the Emery County Exchange, while offering toll-free local calling within the entire local service area. The final 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Tariff Sheet No. 64, canceling 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 64 is filed to

reflect the consolidated Emery County Exchange. There were additional language changes on the 8<sup>th</sup> Revised Sheet No. 22 to eliminate certain language related to Touch Tone service that is no longer relevant or applicable.

The rate increases are necessitated by the elimination of the extended area service fee, and is necessary to generate revenues sufficient to cover the costs of providing telecommunications services to Emery members and customers including interests costs and a reasonable rate of return as determined by the Board.

The rate increases to \$15.00 for R-1 service and \$24.50 for B-1 Service are lower than the Affordable Base Rate proposed by the Division of Public Utilities. All requirements of U.C.A. \$54-7-12(7) have been, or will be, satisfied prior to the date set for implementation of the new rates. A public meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2010.

The next billing cycle for Emery Telephone begins on November 1, 2010. Accordingly, Emery respectfully requests, in accordance with R76-405-2(E)(3), that the Commission waive the 30 day notice period and that the tariff become effective November 1, 2010. This will enable Emery to begin providing toll-free county-wide local calling as of November 1, 2010.

If you have any questions concerning the above, please contact me at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

BLACKBURN & STOLL, LC

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Enclosures

cc: Brock Johansen