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**TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Chris Parker, Director  
Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water  
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**RE: Docket No. 11-041-T05 Citizens Telecommunications Company of Utah d/b/a Frontier Communications of Utah filing to discontinue the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Surcharge and introduce the Hearing or Speech Impaired Surcharge, pursuant to the amendment of Rule 746-343-15.**

**ISSUE:**

Citizens Telecommunications Company (Citizens) is filing this addition to its existing tariff, to change the name of the Deaf and Hearing Impaired Fund to the Hearing or Speech Impaired Fund and to implement the new surcharge rate.

**RECOMMENDATION: Approve Tariff Modification**

The Division has reviewed this modification for any rate increase to base rates that would require a rate hearing and has found none. The Commission recently changed the surcharge rate for the Hearing or Speech Impaired Fund from \$0.10 per line per month to \$0.06 per line per month per S. B. 209 (2011 General Session). Citizens is implementing this change and changing the name of the fund in its tariff to more closely match the name in the amended rule.

The Division therefore recommends that the tariff be approved and that this filing become effective on August 1, 2011.

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