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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Director
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RE: Bear Lake Communications, Inc. (Bear Lake) submits for approval a revised tariff that changes the Emergency Line rate to meet the specified local rate floor adopted in the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) USF/ICC Transformation Order. Docket No. 12-2201-T02.

ISSUE:

Bear Lake submits for approval a revised tariff that changes the Emergency Line rate to meet the specified local rate floor adopted in the Federal Communications commission's (FCC) USF/ICC transformation Order. This rate change would lower the amount of Bear Lake's federal high-cost loop support reductions.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Division has reviewed this modification for any rate increase to base rates that would require a rate hearing and has found none. The Division therefore recommends that the Commission approve this modification in Bear Lake's Exchange Tariff to go into effect December 1, 2012.

cc: Spencer Cox, VP and General Counsel, Central Utah Telephone, Inc.
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