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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
Chris Parker, Director
Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water
Paul M. Anderson, Utility Technical Consultant

Re: Utah Docket No. 14-051-T03, In the Matter of the Petition of Beehive Telephone Co. Inc., for an Increase in Rates. Update to Tariff sheet previously submitted.

ISSUE:

Beehive Telephone Company (Beehive) is petitioning the Commission to increase its residential basic service rate R-1 from \$14.00 to \$16.50 and its business basic service rate B-1 from \$16.00 to \$26.00 effective December 1, 2014.

On November 21, 2014, the Company filed a settlement stipulation signed by Beehive, the Division, and the Office. The settlement stipulation proposed the above basic service rates.

On November 25, 2014, the Commission held a hearing in this docket. At the end of the hearing, the ALJ ruled from the bench and approved the rates to become effective December 1, 2014.

The Commission approved the stipulation and the increase in rates and UUSF provisions stated therein. A Report and Order (Docket No.14-051-01) was issued December 9, 2013 documenting this approval.

The tariff sheet was inadvertently not filed officially following the Order and the Division recommended that it be filed.

On January 29, 2015 the company filed a revised tariff sheet clarifying the language and correcting the EAS changes that had been inadvertently lowered.

The previously proposed tariff sheet had changes to the EAS rates that that Beehive was proposing, but that according to the stipulation in the docket were to be determined later in

the general rate case. Therefore, a revised tariff sheet is proposed to clarify the existing EAS rates. The exception of the higher Ticaboo business rate was also changed to give all the exchanges the same basic rates and the Cedar Highlands EAS rate was further explained in an added note.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Division recommends that the Commission file the new revised tariff sheet for Docket 14-051-T03.

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