- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

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In the Matter of Emery Telephone's Application for an Increase in Utah Universal Service Fund Support DOCKET NO. 15-042-01

<u>SCHEDULING ORDER</u> AND NOTICES OF HEARINGS

ISSUED: May 4, 2015

The Administrative Law Judge for the Commission held a scheduling conference on Tuesday, April 28, 2015. Kira Slawson appeared on behalf of Emery Telephone (Company), along with Brock Johansen and Jared Anderson. Darren Woolsey and Jake Frandsen joined via telephone. Justin Jetter, Utah Assistant Attorney General, appeared for the Division of Public Utilities (Division), along with Bill Duncan. Roger Moore, Utah Assistant Attorney General, appeared for the Office of Consumer Services (Office), along with Michele Beck.

SCHEDULING ORDER

Based on the discussion at the scheduling conference, the following is set as the schedule in this matter:

ITEM	DATE/DEADLINE/TIME/LOCATION
Parties' Direct Testimony, other than Company	Friday, August 14, 2015
Parties' Rebuttal Testimony	Friday, August 28, 2015
Requests for Intervention	Friday, August 28, 2015
Parties' Surrebuttal Testimony	Friday, September 11, 2015
Witness & Exhibit Lists	Tuesday, September 22, 2015

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Hearing ¹	Monday, September 28, 2015, at 9:00 a.m., and possibly extending to Wednesday, September 30, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah
Public Witness Hearing	Monday, September 28, 2015, at 12:00 p.m. Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah

Discovery turn-around times are 14 calendar days if served on or before August 14, 2015, and 7 calendar days if served thereafter. Where feasible, parties shall serve discovery requests and responses on applicable parties by electronic mail.

NOTICES OF HEARING

The following provisions apply to both hearings noticed under this heading:

Individuals wishing to participate in the hearing by telephone should contact the Public Service Commission two days in advance by calling (801) 530-6716 or (toll-free) 1-866-PSC-UTAH (1-866-772-8824). Participants attending by telephone should then call the Public Service Commission at one of the numbers posted above five minutes prior to the hearing to ensure participation.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations (including auxiliary communicative aids and services) during this hearing

¹ For reference purposes only, the 240-day deadline for the general rate increase order is Friday, November 20, 2015. This deadline is based on the Company's application, which was filed with the Commission on March 27, 2015.

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should notify the Commission at 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, (801) 530-6716, at least three working days prior to the hearing.

I. <u>HEARING ON USF ELIGIBILITY</u>

A hearing on USF eligibility in this docket will be conducted by the Administrative Law Judge for the Public Service Commission on Monday, September 28, 2015, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The hearing will be held in the Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Parties also should reserve Wednesday, September 30, 2015, beginning at 10:00 a.m., in the event the hearing lasts more than one day.

II. <u>PUBLIC WITNESS HEARING</u>

A Public Witness hearing on the interim rates portion of this docket will be conducted by the Administrative Law Judge for the Public Service Commission on **Monday, September 28, 2015, beginning at 12:00 p.m.** The hearing will be held in the **Fourth Floor Hearing Room 451, Heber M. Wells Bldg., 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah**.

The Commission may limit presentation of testimony or comments that are unduly repetitious. Individuals wishing to provide public witness testimony or comment must appear at this hearing at the appointed time. Individuals may offer comments or sworn testimony, but should note that individuals presenting sworn testimony are subject to cross-examination.

Any individual wishing to present a statement of position to the Commission who is unable to do so during the Public Witness hearing may file a written statement of position with the Commission at its office, Heber M. Wells Building, 160 East 300 South, Fourth Floor, Salt

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Lake City, Utah 84111 in person, by mail, by electronic mail to <u>psc@utah.gov</u>, or by facsimile to (801) 530-6796. Please indicate that the statement pertains to Docket No. 15-042-01.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 4th day of May, 2015.

<u>/s/ Melanie A. Reif</u> Administrative Law Judge

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg Commission Secretary DW#266027

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on the 4th day of May, 2015, a true and correct copy of the foregoing, was served upon the following as indicated below:

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