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July 13, 2017

Beehive Telephone Company, Inc. Ray Hendershot 2000 Sunset Rd. Lake Point, UT 84074

Re: Docket No. 17-051-02, In the Matter of Beehive Telephone Company, Inc.'s Request for RUS Loan Approval

Dear Mr. Hendershot,

The Public Service Commission of Utah (PSC) has reviewed the request from Beehive Telephone Company, Inc. (Beehive) for permission to secure an RUS loan for the purpose of implementing a broadband-capable network.

The Division of Public Utilities has reviewed the proposal and recommends that the Commission acknowledge Beehive's compliance with Utah Administrative Code R746-401-3(A)(3).

Given the foregoing, the PSC acknowledges Beehive's compliance with the reporting requirement set forth in R746-401-3(A)(3). The PSC concludes that no regulatory authorization or approval is necessary in order for Beehive to secure an RUS loan and emphasizes that support from the Utah Universal Support Fund (UUSF) cannot be approved at this time. If UUSF support is needed, Beehive must file a separate request for agency action, which will be adjudicated after the PSC completes the rulemaking that is required under Senate Bill 130 (2017 General Legislative Session) and that is currently in progress.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg Commission Secretary