

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

2018 Annual Report of Central Utah Telephone, Inc. d/b/a CentraCom	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-040-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Citizens Telecommunications Company of Utah d/b/a Frontier Communications of Utah	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-041-03</u>
2018 Annual Report of Emery Telephone d/b/a Emery Telcom	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-042-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Gunnison Telephone Company	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-043-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Manti Telephone Company	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-046-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Navajo Communications Company, Inc. dba Frontier Navajo Communications Company	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-050-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Beehive Telephone Company, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-051-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of South Central Utah Telephone Association, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-052-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of UBTA-UBET Communications, Inc. d/b/a Strata Networks	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-053-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Union Telephone Company, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-054-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Skyline Telecom d/b/a CentraCom	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-576-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of All West Communications, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-2180-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Bear Lake Communications, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-2201-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-2302-01</u>

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2018 Annual Report of Hanksville Telcom, Inc.	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-2303-01</u>
2018 Annual Report of Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC	<u>DOCKET NO. 19-2419-01</u> <u>ORDER APPROVING 2020 DISTRIBUTIONS</u>

ISSUED: December 5, 2019

The Public Service Commission (PSC) adopts the Division of Public Utilities' (DPU) recommendations for Utah Universal Public Telecommunications Support Fund ("UUSF") distributions for the year 2020, which the DPU filed in the above captioned dockets on October 1, 2019.¹

BACKGROUND

On October 1, 2019, the DPU filed comments and supporting exhibits in all of these dockets, recommending 2020 UUSF distribution amounts for each of the carriers. On October 7, 2019, the PSC issued a Notice of Filing and Comment Period ("Notice"), allowing carriers to request an alternative process by November 1, 2019 and to submit comments on the DPU's recommendation by October 25, 2019. The Notice allowed interested parties to file replies by November 27, 2019. The PSC received no comments from any carrier or other interested party.

¹ The DPU filed corrected comments in Docket No. 19-040-01 on October 3, 2019.

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FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the DPU’s uncontested recommendations and supporting exhibits, we find and conclude the DPU’s recommended 2020 UUSF distribution amounts reflect the amount for which each carrier is eligible pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-15.

Table 1 summarizes the 2020 UUSF distributions as recommended by the DPU.

Table 1

Docket No.	Company	2020 UUSF Payment
19-040-01	Central Utah Telephone, Inc. dba CentraCom	\$0
19-041-03	Citizens Telecommunications Company of Utah dba Frontier Communications of Utah	\$0
19-042-01	Emery Telephone d/b/a Emery Telcom	\$1,074,956
19-043-01	Gunnison Telephone Company	\$189,613
19-046-01	Manti Telephone Company	\$857,308
19-050-01	Navajo Communications Company, Inc. dba Frontier Navajo Communications Company	\$0
19-051-01	Beehive Telephone Company, Inc.	\$1,023,104
19-052-01	South Central Utah Telephone Association, Inc.	\$5,287,743
19-053-01	UBTA-UBET Communications, Inc. d/b/a STRATA Networks	\$1,658,233
19-054-01	Union Telephone Company, Inc.	\$0
19-576-01	Skyline Telecom d/b/a CentraCom	\$0
19-2180-01	All West Communications, Inc.	\$1,142,077
19-2201-01	Bear Lake Communications, Inc.	\$0
19-2302-01	Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc.	\$1,702,733
19-2303-01	Hanksville Telcom, Inc.	\$27,867
19-2419-01	Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC	\$3,194,102
	Total	\$16,157,736

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ORDER

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, the DPU's recommended 2020 UUSF distributions are approved.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, December 5, 2019.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15 of the Utah Code, an aggrieved party may request agency review or rehearing of this written Order by filing a written request with the PSC within 30 days after the issuance of this Order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the PSC does not grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of the request, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the PSC's final agency action may be obtained by filing a petition for review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any petition for review must comply with the requirements of §§ 63G-4-401 and 63G-4-403 of the Utah Code and Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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