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Mr. Sanders,

The Utah Division of Public Utilities (Division) has authority under Utah Code § 54-4a-1(1)(d) to “conduct audits and inspections.... regarding any matter within the jurisdiction of the [Public Service] Commission...either upon order of the commission or upon its own initiative;” As part of its efforts to implement SB 130’s recent changes and to discharge its statutory duties, the Division is instituting a program of regular audits of companies receiving support from the Utah Universal Service Fund (UUSF). These audits should help ensure that any annual adjustments occur smoothly.

This letter is to notify you that the Division will begin a review of Gunnison Telephone Company (Gunnison Telephone) Docket No. 20-043-01. The audit will help familiarize the Division with Gunnison Telephone’s operations and accounting practices.

During this review, the Division may request certain information, reports or other data from Gunnison Telephone. Subject to COVID19 restrictions and concerns, the Division may also require access to inspect and copy records, inspect properties and other tangible things, and engage in other methods of discovery. The Division has statutory authority for these requests under Utah Code § 54-4a-1(1)(e). Your assistance in providing the requested information promptly will help in this review.

The Division looks forward to working with Gunnison Telephone over the upcoming months. Please contact us with any questions.

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