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### Department of Commerce Division of Public Utilities

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# **Action Request Response**

To: Public Service Commission of Utah
 From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

 Artie Powell, Director
 Brenda Salter, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
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Date: June 12, 2020

Re: Docket No. 20-046-T01, Manti Telephone Company Proposed Tariff Revisions

### **Recommendation (Approve Tariff Sheets)**

The Division of Public Utilities ("Division") recommends that the Public Service Commission of Utah ("Commission") approve Manti Telephone Company's ("Company") proposed tariff reduction. The Division has reviewed the Company's filing and the Company's revised tariff sheets. The Division, therefore, recommends the Company's existing tariff be revised effective July 1, 2020 as requested.

#### Discussion

On June 8, 2020 the Company filed proposed tariff revision, as prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") rules, with the Commission. The proposed local switching rate is decreased from \$0.00070 to \$0.00 to reflect the final FCC "step down" of its terminating minute rate. The Commission issued an action request for the Division to investigate the proposed tariff revision.

During the Division's initial review of the filing, the Division noted the Company did not provide a redline version of the tariff change as required under Commission R746-405-2 (D) (6).

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The Company was notified and on June 11, 2020, the Company provided a supplemental filing including a redline version.

The Division reviewed the Company's proposed reduction to its Local Switching-LTR intrastate access rate and the related FCC rules. The reduction in the rate will result in a minimal loss of revenue.

#### Conclusion

Based on the Division's review, the Division recommends the Commission approve the Company's proposed revision to its Local Switching-LTR intrastate access rate. The tariff change is consistent with the FCC's prescribed rules and transition of charges. The Division recommends that the Commission approve the tariff sheets as presented in the Company's filing.

cc: Dallas Cox, Manti Telephone Company Tami Hansen, Manti Telephone Company Cheryl Murray, Office of Consumer Service Margie Mersman, TCA Consultants