

## Public Service Commission

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November 28, 2022

Eddie L. Cox Bear Lake Communications 35 South State Fairview, UT 84629

## Re: 2021 Annual Report of Bear Lake Communications, Inc. ("Bear Lake"); Docket No. 22-2201-01

Dear Mr. Cox,

On April 18, 2022, Bear Lake filed its Annual Report for Calendar Year 2021 ("Report") with the Public Service Commission (PSC). On September 1, 2022, the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) filed its recommendation with the PSC stating that, based on its review of the Report, Bear Lake does not qualify for Utah Universal Public Telecommunications Support Fund ("UUSF") payments in calendar year 2023.<sup>1</sup> DPU noted that Bear Lake is not currently receiving distributions from the UUSF and that no adjustments to the UUSF eligibility for Bear Lake are necessary. On September 2, 2022, the PSC issued a Notice of Filing and Comment Period, seeking comments on DPU's recommendation on or before October 3, 2022. The PSC received no additional comments beyond DPU's amended comments.

Based on the PSC's review of the Report, and on DPU's uncontested recommendation, and there being no comments filed during the comment period, the PSC finds and concludes that Bear Lake does not qualify for a disbursement from the UUSF in 2023 under Utah Code Ann. § 54-8b-15. The PSC will take no further action in this docket.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg PSC Secretary DW#326236

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> DPU filed amended comments on September 14, 2022 with the same recommendation.