
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

In the Matter of Utah Administrative Code
R746-341-4(B), Annual Eligibility Verification

DOCKET NO. 17-R341-01

ORDER ALLOWING TEMPORARY
DEVIATION FROM LIFELINE
RECERTIFICATION PROCEDURES

ISSUED: June 29, 2017

As currently promulgated, Utah Admin. Code R746-341-4(B) requires the state Lifeline program administrator to verify, on an annual basis, the continuing eligibility of state Lifeline telephone service subscribers. However, procedures currently being developed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will allow the recertification process to be performed at the federal level rather than at the state level. In order to use the federal recertification process, state incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) must affirmatively opt into the program. The deadline to make the election is June 30, 2017.

It is possible to read the current Utah recertification rules as prohibiting ILECs from electing to opt into the federal recertification process. Therefore, the Public Service Commission considers it appropriate to allow deviation from the state Lifeline recertification procedures as currently set forth in Utah Admin. Code R746-341-4(B).

ORDER

On its own initiative, the Public Service Commission of Utah grants to all affected ILECs leave to deviate from Utah Admin. Code R746-341-4(B) so as to opt into the FCC recertification program.

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DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 29th day of June, 2017.

/s/ Jennie T. Jonsson
Administrative Law Judge

Approved and confirmed this 29th day of June, 2017 as the Order of the Public Service
Commission of Utah.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

Attest:

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

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the Commission within 30 days after the issuance of the 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 Commission fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 20 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the Commission'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 Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on June 29th, 2017, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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