

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

Utah Administrative Code R746-360
Universal Public Telecommunications
Service Support Fund

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NOTICE THAT PROPOSED RULES
HAVE BEEN MADE EFFECTIVE

ISSUED: October 11, 2017

The Public Service Commission of Utah ("PSC") has made effective the rule filings relating to the Utah Universal Service Fund ("UUSF") surcharge, including both:

1. The Notice of Proposed Rule, DAR File No. 41644, that was published in the June 1, 2017 (Vol. 2017, No. 11) Utah State Bulletin; and
2. The Change in Proposed Rule, DAR File No. 41644, that was published in the September 1, 2017 (Vol. 2017, No. 17) Utah State Bulletin.

We recognize that differences of opinion still exist with respect to the surcharge. We have indicated our willingness to engage in one more stage of rulemaking with respect to the application of the surcharge to prepaid wireless service, with an anticipated rule change publication in November 2017. We conclude that making these current filings effective will best facilitate that next round of rule changes.

We conclude that these rule changes, along with the changes enacted by S.B. 130, Universal Service Fund Amendments (2017 GS), have made the UUSF surcharge more competitively neutral than it has been in the past. Our goal continues to be to implement the objectives of S.B. 130 in a way that is as consistent as possible with cases from the Federal Communications Commission and from the federal courts regarding state surcharges. We recognize that consensus on these issues appears impossible, and that we have had to make some

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decisions on these rules over the objections of some parties. We reiterate our commitment to continue to consider comments and evaluate opportunities to further improve the surcharge methodology.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, October 11, 2017.

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/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Jordan A. White, Commissioner

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