

Comment on Docket No. 17-035-61

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Sandra Moore <ardnasmoo@hotmail.com> Reply-To: Sandra Moore <ardnasmoo@hotmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov>

Thu, Aug 20, 2020 at 7:04 PM

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Julie Acomb <julie7856@msn.com> Reply-To: Julie Acomb <julie7856@msn.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Aug 21, 2020 at 9:41 AM

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Dana Dake <danarae.dake@gmail.com> Reply-To: Dana Dake <danarae.dake@gmail.com> To: Public Service Commissioners <psc@utah.gov> Fri, Aug 21, 2020 at 11:02 AM

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Dear Commissioners,

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