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Memorandum

To: Utah Public Service Commission
From: Utah Division of Public Utilities
Chris Parker, Director
Artie Powell, Manager
Brenda Salter, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
Joseph Hellewell, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: March 23, 2020

Re: **Docket No. 20-999-09, Universal Service Funds Status**

Recommendation (No Action Required)

Attached for your information is the latest status report on the Utah Universal Service Fund. All reported amounts are proprietary.

The Universal Service Fund showed a balance of \$8,361,259.19 at the end of February 2020, which is a net increase of \$216,329.47 from the previous month. High cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$1,346,477.98. Relay Utah disbursements for February were \$87,177.41. Utah Interactive transactions fees totaled \$10.00. Lifeline distributions totaled \$297,251.50. Contributions for February totaled \$1,932,791.33.

In February, three providers reported using revenue as a basis for remitting their USF contribution. 101 providers remitted USF based on connections. One provider used the incorrect surcharge to calculate their remittance. These companies have been notified of their errors and asked to submit a correction. There were 3,240,654 connections subject to surcharge reported for December. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 7,260.

Attachments (7 pages)

February 2020 Contributions

USF Contributions	\$ 1,932,791.33
Returned Check	\$ (939.73)
Accounts Payable Feb. Adjustment	\$ 15,485.96
Accounts Payable Jan. Reversal	\$ (91.20)
Total Collected	<u>\$ 1,947,246.36</u>

February 2020 Expenses

USF Paid Out	
ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	\$ 95,173.08
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$ 85,258.67
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	\$ 141,894.41
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	\$ 266,175.16
EMERY TELCOM	\$ 89,579.67
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	\$ 15,801.08
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	\$ 2,322.25
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$ 71,442.33
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	\$ 440,645.25
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	\$ 138,186.08
Other Expenses	
Speech & Hearing Impaired Total	\$ 87,177.41
Utah Interactive Transaction Fees	\$ 10.00
Lifeline	\$ 297,251.50
Total Expenses	<u>\$ 1,730,916.89</u>

February 2020 Net Increase (Decrease) \$ 216,329.47

January 2020 USF Balance \$ 8,144,929.72

End of February 2020 USF Balance \$ 8,361,259.19