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Memorandum

To: Public Service Commission of Utah
From: Utah Division of Public Utilities
Chris Parker, Director
Brenda Salter, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
Justin Christensen, Utility Analyst
Date: January 17, 2023
Re: **Docket No. 22-999-09**, December 2022 Utah Universal Service Funds Status.

Recommendation (No Action Required)

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

The UUSF showed a balance of \$15,399,884 at the end of December 2022, which is an increase of \$422,624 from the previous month. Contributions for the month were \$1,972,313. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$1,507,495. Other expenses include PSC Speech & Hearing disbursements of \$41,344, Telecommunication Charges of \$206, Data Processing Charges of \$606, and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$38. The total distributions and expenses were \$1,549,689.

In December, 104 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 5,397,039 connections subject to surcharge reported. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 2,101.

Attachments (7 pages)

UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT

December 2022

Contributions

UUSF Contributions	\$	1,917,621
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	\$	54,693
Total Contributions	\$	1,972,313

Distributions and Expenses

Distributions

ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	\$	86,480
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$	64,091
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	\$	186,747
CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE INC	\$	17,460
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	\$	133,756
EMERY TELCOM	\$	107,414
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	\$	27,819
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	\$	2,445
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	\$	84,053
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	\$	462,292
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	\$	334,939
Subtotal for Rural ILECs	\$	1,507,495
Refund - (Reason)		
Total Distributions	\$	1,507,495

Expenses

Speech & Hearing Impaired Total	\$	41,344
Utah Interactive Transaction Fees	\$	38
DTS Telecommunication Charges	\$	206
DTS Data Processing Charges	\$	606
Total Expenses	\$	42,194

Total Distributions and Expenses \$ 1,549,689

Net Increase (Decrease) \$ 422,624

Beginning Balance \$ 14,977,260

December Ending Balance \$ 15,399,884