

## UTAH DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Public Utilities

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## Memorandum

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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**Date:** October 31, 2023

Re: Docket No. 23-999-06, Utah Universal Service Fund Status.

## Recommendation (No Action)

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 \$10,810,507 at the end of September 2023, which is a decrease of \$962,954 from the previous month. Contributions for the month were \$874,467. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$1,800,007. Other expenses include PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$37,387, Interactive Transaction Fees of \$28. The total distributions and expenses were \$1,837,421.

In September, 80 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 2,370,890 connections subject to surcharge reported. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 8,225.

Attachments (6 pages)

## UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT September 2023

<u>Contributions</u>	
Access Lines/Connections Contributions	842,507
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	 31,960
Subtotal Contributions	\$ 874,467
Adjustments	-
Total Contributions	\$ 874,467
<u>Distributions</u>	
ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	173,349
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	155,424
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	146,049
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	257,886
EMERY TELCOM	141,670
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	38,088
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	4,618
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	61,215
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	511,661
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	 310,048
Subtotal for Rural ILECs	\$ 1,800,007
Lifeline Distributions	-
One time Distributions	-
Adjustments	_
Total Distributions	\$ 1,800,007
<u>Expenses</u>	
Speech & Hearing Impaired	37,387
UT Interactive Transaction Fees	28
Total Expenses	\$ 37,415
Total Distributions & Expenses	\$ 1,837,421
Beginning Balance Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses)	<b>11,773,461</b> (962,954)
September 2023 Ending Balance	\$ 10,810,507