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Memorandum

To: Public Service Commission of Utah
From: Utah Division of Public Utilities
Chris Parker, Director
Brenda Salter, Assistant Director
Abdinasir Abdulle, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
Cynthia Dumas, Office Specialist
Date: January 29, 2024
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 \$9,245,701 at the end of December 2023, which is a decrease of \$983,418 from the previous month. The UUSF ending balance is off by \$1 due to an electronic charge fee. Contributions for the month were \$854,203. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$1,800,007. Other expenses include PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$37,590, and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$24. The total distributions and expenses were \$1,837,621.

In December, 70 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 2,248,883 connections subject to surcharge reported. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 1,603.

Attachments (6 pages)

UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT

December 2023

Contributions

Access Lines/Connections Contributions	799,164
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	55,039
Subtotal Contributions	\$ 854,203
Adjustments	-
Total Contributions	\$ 854,203

Distributions

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

Expenses

Speech & Hearing Impaired	37,590
UT Interactive Transaction Fees	24
Processing Expenses	
Annual Maintenance	

Total Expenses \$ 37,614

Total Distributions & Expenses \$ 1,837,621

Beginning Balance 10,229,119

Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses) (983,418)

December 2023 Ending Balance \$ 9,245,701