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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: February 27, 2024
Re: **Docket No. 24-999-08**, 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 \$7,615,057 at the end of January 2024, which is a decrease of \$1,630,645 from the previous month. Contributions for the month were \$1,348,410. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$2,942,966. Other expenses include PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$36,042 and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$47. The total distributions and expenses were \$2,979,055.

In January, 159 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 3,639,104 connections subject to surcharge reported. The average connections for the previous year was 3,742,288. The connections vary from month to month. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 15,144.

Attachments (6 pages)

UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT

January 2024 Utah Universal Service Fund Remittances

Contributions

Access Lines/Connections Contributions	1,294,424
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	53,986
Subtotal Contributions	\$ 1,348,410
Adjustments	-
Total Contributions	\$ 1,348,410

Distributions

ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	287,140
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	199,898
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	188,566
CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE, INC. dba Centracom	3,570
CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF UTAH	257,082
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	217,057
E-FIBER MOAB LLC	92,914
E FIBER SAN JUAN LLC	95,485
EMERY TELCOM	199,409
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	37,912
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	4,266
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	76,619
NAVAJO COMMUNICATIONS CO INC	62,444
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	716,520
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	504,086
Subtotal for Rural ILECs	\$ 2,942,966
Lifeline Distributions	-
One time Distributions	-
Adjustments	-
Total Distributions	\$ 2,942,966

Expenses

Speech & Hearing Impaired	36,042
UT Interactive Transaction Fees	47
Processing Expenses	
Annual Maintenance	
Total Expenses	\$ 36,089

Total Distributions & Expenses \$ 2,979,055

Beginning Balance 9,245,702

Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses) (1,630,645)

January Ending Balance \$ 7,615,057