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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: November 4, 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 \$5,921,625 at the end of September 2024, which is an increase of \$430,906 from the previous month. Contributions for the month were \$3,416,412. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$2,942,966. Other expenses include PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$42,484, and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$56. The total distributions and expenses were \$2,985,506.

In September, 132 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 3,529,167 connections subject to surcharge reported. The connections vary from month to month. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 3,508. These contributions are based on the old surcharge rate of 0.71 cents before July 1, 2024, and new surcharge of 0.98 cents after July 1, 2024.

Attachments (6 pages)

UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT

September 2024

Contributions

Access Lines/Connections Contributions	3,369,591
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	46,820
Subtotal Contributions	\$ 3,416,412
Adjustments	-
Total Contributions	\$ 3,416,412

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	42,484
UT Interactive Transaction Fees	56
Processing Expenses	
Annual Maintenance	
Total Speech & Expenses	\$ 42,540

Total Distributions & Expenses \$ 2,985,506

Beginning Balance **5,490,719**

Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses) **430,906**

September 2024 Ending Balance **\$ 5,921,625**