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Memorandum

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director

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Date: April 1, 2025

Re: Docket No. 25-999-09, Utah Universal Service Fund Status.

Recommendation (No Action)

Attached for your information is the status report on the Utah Universal Service Fund (UUSF) for February 2025. All reported amounts are proprietary.

The UUSF showed a balance of \$7,553,901 at the end of February 2025, which is a decrease of \$629,541 from the previous month. Contributions for the month were \$2,865,022. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$3,203,574. Other expenses include Lifeline distributions of \$278,863, PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$12,047, and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$80. The total distributions and expenses were \$3,494,563.

In February, 178 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 2,974,218 connections subject to surcharge reported. The connections vary from month to month. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 18,807. 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 February 2025

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Contributions		
Access Lines/Connections Contributions		2,818,454
Prepaid Wireless Contributions		46,568
Subtotal Contributions	\$	2,865,022
Adjustments		-
Total Contributions	\$	2,865,022
<u>Distributions</u>		
ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS		307,480
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY		208,591
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM		259,596
CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE, INC. dba Centracom		22,247
CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS OF UTAH		251,874
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY		196,264
E-FIBER MOAB LLC		193,523
E FIBER SAN JUAN LLC		167,582
EMERY TELCOM		81,467
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO		53,198
HANKSVILLE TELCOM		5,928
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY		82,772
NAVAJO COMMUNICATIONS CO INC		43,189
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE		749,625
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks		580,237
Subtotal for Rural ILECs	\$	3,203,574
Lifeline Distributions		278,863
One time Distributions		
New Cingular Return		
Adjustments		
Total Distributions	\$	3,482,436
<u>Expenses</u>		
Speech & Hearing Impaired		12,047
UT Interactive Transaction Fees		80
Processing Expenses		
Annual Maintenance		
Total Speech & Expenses	\$	12,127
Total Distributions & Expenses	\$	3,494,563
Beginning Balance		8,183,443
Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses)		(629,541
February 2025 Ending Balance	\$	7,553,901
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