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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
Kelley O'Connor, Utility Analyst
Date: February 18, 2026
Re: **Docket No. 26-999-09**, Utah Universal Service Fund

Recommendation (No Action)

Attached for your information is the status report on the Utah Universal Service Fund (UUSF) for January 2026. All reported amounts are proprietary.

The UUSF showed a balance of \$12,759,669 at the end of January 2026, which is an increase of \$537,699 from the end of December 2025. Contributions for the month were \$3,838,351. High-cost support disbursed to rural ILECs totaled \$3,254,418. Lifeline distributions for the month of January totaled \$0. Other expenses include PSC Speech and Hearing disbursements of \$46,143 and Interactive Transaction Fees of \$91. The total distributions and expenses were \$3,300,652.

In January, 182 providers remitted UUSF payments based on connections. There were 4,025,062 connections subject to surcharge reported. The connections vary from month to month. Exempt connections claimed by providers totaled 13,535. These contributions are based on July 1, 2024, effective surcharge of 0.98 cents, and one payment based on a 0.36 cents surcharge.

Attachments (4 pages)



UTAH UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REPORT

January 2026

Contributions

Access Lines/Connections Contributions	3,815,254
Prepaid Wireless Contributions	23,097
Subtotal Contributions	\$ 3,838,351
Adjustments	-
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Total Contributions	\$ 3,838,351

Distributions

ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	431,325
BEEHIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY	214,970
CARBON/EMERY TELCOM	125,785
DIRECT COMMUNICATIONS CEDAR VALLEY	320,243
E-FIBER MOAB LLC	264,969
E FIBER SAN JUAN LLC	227,765
EMERY TELCOM	108,434
GUNNISON TELEPHONE CO	56,663
HANKSVILLE TELCOM	1,420
MANTI TELEPHONE COMPANY	77,666
NAVAJO COMMUNICATIONS CO INC	30,108
SOUTH CENTRAL UTAH TELEPHONE	742,738
UINTAH BASIN TELEPHONE dba Strata Networks	652,331
Subtotal for Rural ILECs	\$ 3,254,418
Lifeline Distributions	-
One time Distributions	-
Adjustments	-
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Total Distributions	\$ 3,254,418

Expenses

Speech & Hearing Impaired	46,143
UT Interactive Transaction Fees	91
Processing Expenses	
Annual Maintenance	

Total Speech & Expenses	\$ 46,234
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Total Distributions & Expenses	\$ 3,300,652
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Beginning Balance	\$ 12,221,970
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Net Change (Contributions - Distributions & Expenses)	537,699
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January 2026 Ending Balance	\$ 12,759,669
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