BACKGROUND

On December 20, 2013, the Public Service Commission of Utah (“Commission”) circulated a draft proposed rule change to Utah Admin. Code R746-341 addressing the Lifeline Rule to remove some language that conflicts with federal requirements.¹ We also issued a Notice of Interim Compliance Processes to Address National Lifeline Accountability Database (NLAD), New Applications, and Annual Eligibility Certification Compliance Processes (“Notice”) that established requirements consistent with the draft proposed rule.

Subsequently, we received written comments on the draft proposed rule and held a technical conference. Having considered that input, we have modified the proposed rule and have submitted it to the formal rulemaking process.²

¹ A copy of the notice can be viewed at: http://www.psc.utah.gov/utilities/telecom/13orders/Dec/249496%2010252801noicptanladnnaeecep.pdf.

² A copy of the revised proposed rule is attached as Exhibit A to this order. Interested parties may view the rule or provide further comment at: http://www.rules.utah.gov.
One of the changes in the proposed rule submitted for publication from the draft initially circulated is that it no longer places requirements on federal only ETCs. Instead, it leaves them subject only to the pertinent FCC regulations. Accordingly, that portion of our Notice applicable to federal only ETCs is vacated.

ORDER

Based on the explanation above, and for other good cause appearing, the December 20, 2013, Notice is vacated inasmuch as it relates to federal only ETCs.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, this 19th day of May, 2014.

/s/ Ron Allen, Chairman

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Thad LeVar, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
Commission Secretary
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Exhibit A