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**TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES**

Chris Parker, Director  
Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water  
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**RE: Docket No. 11-042-T01, Pursuant to the Order in Docket No. 11-042-01, dated March 28, 2011, the Public Service Commission approved the establishment of Extended Area Service between the Price Exchange (Carbon County) and the Emery Exchange (Emery County) at the rate of \$2.00 for Residential (R1) Service and \$3.50 for Business (B1) Service for Emery Telecom, Inc. (Emery) customers.**

**ISSUE:**

On March 28, 2011 the Utah Public Service Commission issued an order in Docket 11-042-01 that approved the establishment of Extended Area Service (EAS) between the Price Exchange in Carbon County and the Emery Exchange in Emery County. Rather than paying toll charges for calls between the two counties on a per minute basis, Emery customers will pay a monthly EAS rate of \$2.00 for residence service or a monthly EAS rate of \$3.50 for business service.

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) and the Office of Consumer Services (Office) have previously worked with Emery to analyze their initial cost study. The Division has monitored their customer interest survey of residential customers to determine that it followed the criteria outlined in the Commission Rules and has previously recommended in a memo dated February 22, 2011, that EAS be established between Carbon and Emery Counties at the above rates for Emery.

Emery has filed appropriate Revised Tariff Sheets of its Local Access Tariff on file with the Commission and is proposing that the above EAS rates be implemented on May 1, 2011.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The Division has determined that the Revised Tariff Sheets are in order and recommends that the above new rates for EAS residential and business service, approved by the Commission in Docket No. 11-042-01, go into effect May 1, 2011, the implementation date designated by Emery.

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