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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

**IN THE MATTER OF THE UTAH
DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES’
PETITION FOR INCREASED USE
DISTRIBUTIONS TO HANKSVILLE
TELCOM, INC.**

Docket No. 14-2303-01

REPLY COMMENTS OF
UTAH RURAL TELECOM ASSOCIATION
AND WITHDRAWAL OF CONDITIONAL
PETITION TO INTERVENE

The Utah Rural Telecom Association (“URTA”), on behalf of itself and URTA members, All West Communications, Inc., Bear Lake Communications, Beehive Telephone Company, Carbon/Emery Telcom, Inc., Central Utah Telephone, Inc., Direct Communications Cedar Valley, Emery Telcom, Inc., Hanksville Telcom, Inc., Manti Telephone Company, Skyline Telecom, South Central Utah Telephone Association, Inc., UBTA-UBET Communications, Inc., and Union Telephone (“URTA members”) filed initial Comments in this matter on July 25, 2014 and conditionally requested intervention in this matter because URTA and its Members were concerned that its members have legal rights or interests that are or may be substantially affected by the Hanksville proceedings if the Public Service Commission of Utah (“Commission”) were to consider the Office’s request to define a standard expedited application process within the confines of the Hanksville matter.

Since filing its Comments, counsel for URTA and its Members has confirmed with the

Office that the Office does not intend to have the Commission address its procedural “parameters and criteria” for expedited UUSF petitions in this Docket¹. Therefore, URTA and its Members withdraw their Conditional Petition to Intervene. URTA and its Members agree that such procedural issues should not be included in this docket, and absent such issues, URTA and its members’ legal rights and interests are not affected by this Docket.

Dated this 5th day of August, 2014.

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¹See also the Division’s Comments filed on August 4, 2014, the Division states: “In discussions regarding this issue the Office has represented that it will not seek to litigate or seek final resolution of the proposed [procedural] requirements in this docket.”

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a copy of the Utah Rural Telecom Association's Comments and Withdrawal of Conditional Petition to Intervene was transmitted electronically (email) on this the 5th day of August, 2014, to the following:

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