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TO: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

FROM: DIVISION OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

Chris Parker, Director

Bill Duncan, Manager, Telecommunications and Water

Paul M. Anderson, Utility Technical Consultant

Re: Utah Docket No. 17-2419-T02, TARIFF: Direct Communications

Cedar Valley, LLC ("Direct") filing to increase residential rate.

ISSUE:

On June 19, 2017 Direct submitted a filing to increase the residence one party service rate from the existing \$16.50 to \$18.00. This filing would raise its residential one party rate to the required FCC and Utah PSC floor rate.

RECOMMENDATION: Approve tariff filing.

The FCC requires that the companies participating in the Connect America Fund (CAF), such as Direct bring its rate levels to the CAF-mandated floor each year as a condition of continued participation.

The Division reviewed Directs petition to revise its tariffs to increase its rate to the affordable base rate and agrees that this Tariff change complies with the above mentioned FCC and Utah PSC requirements, and recommends that the tariff be approved and become effective on July 1, 2017 as requested.

CC: Kip Wilson, Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC
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