

**In the Matter Of:**

i-wireless, LLC - Amend Designation as ETC

**HEARING, DOCKET NO. 18-2526-01**

*March 11, 2019*

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH

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Petition of i-wireless LLC)  
Amend its Designation )  
as an Eligible ) Docket No. 18-2526-01  
Telecommunications Carrier)  
in the State of Utah to )  
Participate in the Utah )  
Universal Service Fund )  
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Date: March 11, 2019  
Time: 10:00 a.m.  
Hearing Officer: Michael J. Hammer  
Location: Heber M. Wells Building  
Fourth Floor, Room 403  
Salt Lake City, Utah

Reporter: Melinda J. Andersen, CSR and Notary Public  
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A P P E A R A N C E S

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Cheryl Murray  
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1 P R O C E E D I N G S

2 HEARING OFFICER: Good morning everyone. This  
3 is the time and place and notice for hearing in the  
4 petition of i-wireless LLC to amend its designation as an  
5 eligible telecommunications carrier in the State of Utah to  
6 participate in the Utah Universal Service Fund. This is  
7 Commission Docket No. 18-2526-01.

8 My name is Michael Hammer. I'm the  
9 Commission's designated presiding officer. Let's go ahead  
10 and take appearances please, beginning with the Division of  
11 Public Utilities.

12 MR. JETTER: Good morning. I'm Justin Jetter  
13 with the Utah Attorney General's Office. I'm here this  
14 morning representing the Utah Division of Public Utilities.  
15 And with me at counsel table and appearing with me this  
16 morning is Division witness Casey Coleman.

17 MS. MURRAY: My name is Cheryl Murray.

18 HEARING OFFICER: Go ahead, Ms. Murray.

19 MS. MURRAY: I'm a witness for the Office of  
20 Consumer Services, and I apparently don't have an attorney  
21 this morning.

22 HEARING OFFICER: Are you expecting counsel to  
23 arrive?

24 MS. MURRAY: Not necessarily.

25 HEARING OFFICER: Are you comfortable

1 proceeding without counsel?

2 MS. MURRAY: I am.

3 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Thank you. And on the  
4 telephone please.

5 MR. STEINHART: Good morning. This is Lance  
6 Steinhart. I'm the attorney for i-wireless. And also we  
7 have Heather Kirby from my office.

8 HEARING OFFICER: I'm sorry. You said your  
9 name was Mr. Dinhart?

10 MR. STEINHART: Steinhart.

11 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. And your witness  
12 is who?

13 MR. STEINHART: We don't have a witness from  
14 the client.

15 HEARING OFFICER: I'm sorry. You said someone  
16 else was present with you. I didn't catch the name.

17 MR. STEINHART: Heather Kirby from my office.

18 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you.

19 MR. STEINHART: You're welcome.

20 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Are there any  
21 preliminary matters before we begin? Mr. Steinhart.

22 MR. STEINHART: No. Thank you. Not from us.

23 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Jetter.

24 MR. STEINHART: I'm getting a really bad echo,  
25 but I'll try to proceed. Can you hear the echo, Heather?

1 MS. KIRBY: I can.

2 HEARING OFFICER: Is there anything we can do  
3 about that? We don't get any feedback in the room.

4 MR. STEINHART: We can probably proceed, but  
5 it's that I hear myself talking.

6 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Let us know if  
7 it's too severe and perhaps we can ask you to try calling  
8 back in.

9 MR. STEINHART: Okay. Thank you.

10 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Steinhart, you said you  
11 don't intend to call a witness today?

12 MR. STEINHART: No, I don't. Thank you.

13 HEARING OFFICER: Okay. Mr. Jetter, do you  
14 have a witness?

15 MR. JETTER: Yes. The Division would like to  
16 call and have sworn in Casey Coleman.

17 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Coleman, do you swear to  
18 tell the truth?

19 THE WITNESS: Yes.

20 EXAMINATION

21 BY MR. JETTER:

22 **Q. Mr. Coleman, would you please state your name**  
23 **and occupation for the record?**

24 A. My name is Casey Jay Coleman. I am a utility  
25 technical consultant for the Division of Public Utilities

1 for the State of Utah.

2 Q. Thank you. In the course of your employment  
3 with the Division of Public Utilities have you had the  
4 opportunity to review the petition and direct testimony  
5 filed by the applicant to this docket?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. Did you participate in the creation and  
8 stipulation and settlement of the terms that are included  
9 in this stipulation and settlement agreement filed on  
10 February 12, 2019?

11 A. Yes.

12 Q. In your opinion do you believe that approval of  
13 the stipulation and settlement agreement with the terms  
14 contained in it as filed would be just, reasonable, and in  
15 the public interest?

16 A. Yes, I do.

17 Q. Do you have anything else you would like to  
18 add?

19 A. No.

20 Q. Okay. Thank you. I have no further questions  
21 for Mr. Coleman.

22 A. Well, I guess one thing potentially is I'm not  
23 aware of any opposition to the stipulation. You know,  
24 there hasn't been any party or anything that I know of that  
25 there has been opposition.

1 Q. Okay. Thank you.

2 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Mr. Steinhart,  
3 any cross examination for Mr. Coleman?

4 MR. STEINHART: No. Thank you.

5 HEARING OFFICER: Ms. Murray.

6 MS. MURRAY: Good morning.

7 HEARING OFFICER: Do you have any questions?

8 MS. MURRAY: No, I have no questions.

9 HEARING OFFICER: And Mr. Jetter, you have no  
10 other witnesses?

11 MR. JETTER: No other witnesses.

12 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you. Ms. Murray, do  
13 you have a statement that you would like to make?

14 MS. MURRAY: Yes, I do.

15 HEARING OFFICER: Would you like to be sworn?

16 MS. MURRAY: Yes.

17 HEARING OFFICER: Ms. Murray, do you swear to  
18 tell the truth?

19 MS. MURRAY: Yes.

20 HEARING OFFICER: Go ahead.

21 MS. MURRAY: My name is Cheryl Murray. My  
22 address is 160 East 300 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. I am  
23 a utility analyst for the Office of Consumer Services.

24 On behalf of the Office I have reviewed all of  
25 the documents in this case, including i-wireless's



1 petition, supplement to the petition, company testimony,  
2 and responses to our data request. I've also participated  
3 in settlement discussions and creation of the stipulation  
4 documents.

5 The Office believes that the stipulation before  
6 the Commission is just and reasonable and in the public  
7 interest and recommends that the Commission approve it.  
8 That concludes my statement.

9 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Steinhart, any questions  
10 for Ms. Murray?

11 MR. STEINHART: No. Thank you.

12 HEARING OFFICER: Mr. Jetter.

13 MR. JETTER: I have no questions. Thank you.

14 HEARING OFFICER: Thank you, Ms. Murray.

15 Mr. Steinhart, let me just come back to you as you did not  
16 call a witness. You're aware of the stipulation that was  
17 filed, the stipulation and settlement agreement that was  
18 filed with the Commission on February 12, 2019 in this  
19 docket?

20 MR. STEINHART: Yes, I am.

21 HEARING OFFICER: And is it the Company's  
22 request that the Commission approve this settlement  
23 stipulation?

24 MR. STEINHART: Yes, it is.

25 HEARING OFFICER: All right. And you signed

1 the settlement stipulation on behalf of i-wireless; is that  
2 right?

3 MR. STEINHART: Yes, I did sign the settlement  
4 on behalf of i-wireless.

5 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Thank you.

6 MR. STEINHART: You're welcome.

7 HEARING OFFICER: Is there anything else before  
8 we adjourn?

9 MR. JETTER: Nothing from the Division.

10 HEARING OFFICER: All right. Thank you  
11 everyone. Have a nice morning.

12 (The hearing concluded at 10:10 a.m.)

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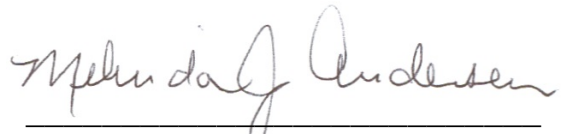
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COUNTY OF SALT LAKE )

I, Melinda J. Andersen, Certified Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the County of Salt Lake and State of Utah, do hereby certify:

That the foregoing proceedings were taken before me at the time and place herein set forth, and were taken down by me in shorthand and thereafter transcribed into typewritten under my direction and supervision:

That the foregoing 10 pages contain a true and correct transcription of my shorthand notes so taken.

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal at Salt Lake City, Utah this 14th day of March, 2019.



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February 10, 2022

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