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Commission Administrator  
Public Service Commission of Utah  
Heber M. Wells Building  
160 East 300 South  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84111

RE: Docket No. 21-2201-T01  
Bear Lake Communications, Inc.  
Intrastate Access Tariff PSC Utah No. 2

Dear Mr. Widerburg:

JSI files the enclosed tariff material on behalf of Bear Lake Communications, Inc. (“Bear Lake”). The proposed revisions bear an effective date of July 1, 2021. The purpose of this filing is to comply with Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) amended rules which implement 8YY access charge reform.<sup>1</sup>

FCC 8YY access charge reform requires all rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carriers (“LECs”) to modify all the originating 8YY rates in the following groups: End Office/Local Switching, Transport, and Query Charge.

Local Switching:

The FCC order requires LECs to transition their interstate and intrastate toll free (or 8YY) originating end office access service rates to bill-and-keep over a three-year period. As part of the transition, beginning July 1, 2021, carriers are required to tariff separate rate elements for toll free and non-toll free interstate and intrastate originating end office access service. In 2021 the intrastate toll free originating end office access service rates must be reduced to interstate levels if intrastate rates exceed comparable interstate rates. Next year these local switching rates will be reduced by 50% and then to zero in year three: 2023.

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<sup>1</sup> 8YY Access Charge Reform, WC Docket No. 18-156, Report and Order, 35 FCC Rcd 11594, FCC 20-143 (Oct. 9, 2020) (8YY Access Charge Reform Order); 85 Fed. Reg. 75894 (Nov. 27, 2020).

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Transport:

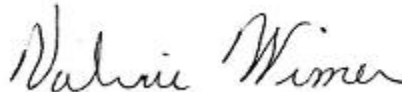
All incumbent LECs are required to tariff rate elements for interstate and intrastate non-toll free originating transport service between an end office and tandem switch and remove these rate elements from their tariffs for toll free originating traffic, and tariff a new single rate element of no more than \$0.001 per minute for joint tandem switched transport access service for toll free calls. The Joint Tandem Switched Transport access service rate element may only be charged if the company has a tandem. No additional adjustments will be made to the transport rate elements in subsequent years.

Query Charge:

Finally, incumbent LECs are required to reduce the intrastate and interstate toll free database query charges in their tariffs to no more than \$0.004248 per query. Further reductions will be made to the query rate in 2022 and 2023.

Any questions regarding the filing may be directed to the undersigned at the address and telephone number listed above, or by email at [vwimer@jsitel.com](mailto:vwimer@jsitel.com).

Sincerely,



Valerie Wimer  
Vice President

on behalf of  
Bear Lake Communications, Inc.

Enclosures

cc: Mike Plows, Bear Lake Communications, Inc.