

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC's Application for Waiver of Telecommunications Bond Requirement	<u>DOCKET NO. 21-2249-01</u> <u>REPORT AND ORDER</u>
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ISSUED: August 23, 2021

On July 27, 2021, McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, LLC ("McLeod") filed with the Public Service Commission (PSC) an application requesting a waiver of the \$100,000 bond requirement set forth in Utah Admin. Code R746-349-3(2) ("Application").

McLeod states that the PSC's order<sup>1</sup> granting McLeod authority to operate in Utah tied the bond requirement to the need to provide security for customer deposits and customer liabilities. McLeod further states it does not require customer deposits or customer prepayments of any kind, and that it is complying with the Utah Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund's and the Hearing and Speech Impaired Fund's requirements.

On August 17, 2021, the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) recommended the PSC grant the Application as being in the public interest.

FINDINGS, CONCLUSIONS, AND ORDER

Based on our consideration of the Application, McLeod's practice of not requiring customer deposits or prepayments, DPU's comments, and there being no opposition, the PSC finds and concludes that approval of the Application is in the public interest. The PSC, therefore, approves the Application.

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah, August 23, 2021.

/s/ Yvonne R. Hogle  
Presiding Officer

<sup>1</sup> Docket No. 98-2249-01, Order dated May 19, 1998.

Approved and confirmed August 23, 2021 as the Order of the Public Service Commission of Utah.

/s/ Thad LeVar, Chair

/s/ David R. Clark, Commissioner

/s/ Ron Allen, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg  
PSC Secretary  
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Notice of Opportunity for Agency Review or Rehearing

Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-301 and 54-7-15, a party may seek agency review or rehearing of this order by filing a request for review or rehearing with the PSC within 30 days after the issuance of the order. Responses to a request for agency review or rehearing must be filed within 15 days of the filing of the request for review or rehearing. If the PSC fails to grant a request for review or rehearing within 30 days after the filing of a request for review or rehearing, it is deemed denied. Judicial review of the PSC's final agency action may be obtained by filing a Petition for Review with the Utah Supreme Court within 30 days after final agency action. Any Petition for Review must comply with the requirements of Utah Code Ann. §§ 63G-4-401, 63G-4-403, and the Utah Rules of Appellate Procedure.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I CERTIFY that on August 23, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the following as indicated below:

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