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

Re: Advice Letter—UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. /Tariff Filing

Docket No. 22-053-T02

## To the Commission:

In accordance with R746-405 of the Public Service Commission's Rules, UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. ("UBTA-UBET") hereby electronically files several Revised Tariff Sheets of the UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. Local Tariff P.S.C. Utah No. 1. The purpose of this filing is to clean up outdated tariff sheets, eliminate unused sheets, update service offerings, and modify and consolidate rates. Because of the scope of the changes made and the previous format of the original tariff, it was easier to reformat the entire tariff. As a result, each sheet has been modified at a minimum to reflect the new issue date, effective date, and Docket Number. Since pages have been consolidated and eliminated, we are providing a key that shows the "Topic," "Old Tariff Page," and "New Tariff Page." This will identify all changes to page numbering.

Substantive changes to sheets are noted below and we have provided a mark-up as required by R746-405-2.D.6):

- 1. Sheet No.1 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 1 Modified only to update issue date, effective date, and Docket Number.
- 2. Sheet Nos. 2-6 (Index) consolidated and replaced with 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheets 2 and 3 to reflect consolidation of Index. Substantive changes include modification of section topics to reflect update tariff sections as shown in the redline version. Subcategories for Construction Charges were added; Emergency Reporting System, Operator Verification/Interruptions Service, Uniform Access Solution Service were eliminated as these are obsolete services. The Subject Index was eliminated as well as it was redundant.

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- 3. Sheet Nos. 7-12 (Definitions), replaced with 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 4, 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet Nos. 5 and 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 7 and 8, with changes to Sheet number, Issue Date, Effective Date, and Docket Number only. No substantive changes.
- 4. Sheet No. 13-27 (General Rules and Regulations), replaced with Sheets 9-19 as follows:
  - a. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 9 Section B modified from "Held for Future Use" to "OBLIGATIONS". No further substantive modifications;
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 10, 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet Nos. 11 and 12, 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 13, 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet Nos. 14-19 no substantive modifications.
- 5. Sheet Nos. 28 and 29 (Network Access Line Service) replaced with 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 20 which includes a decrease in the PBX Outward Only rate element from \$37.50 to \$36.50; an elimination of the Key System Rate element; and a creation of the Remote Call Forward Rate at \$18.25, all as approved by the Board of Directors. 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 20 also changed the verbiage from "subscriber owned" to "Customer Provided" and added a description of Remote Call Forward, and 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 21 no substantive changes.
- 6. Sheet No. 30 (Name Reservation) replaced with 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 22 –eliminated "for future use" and deleted the placeholder for Printed Bill Service and description of Personalized Number Service and Printed Bill Service descriptions.
- 7. Sheet Nos. 31-33 (Service Connection, Move, and Change Charges) replaced by:
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised 23 increased the Initial Connection Charge for Residential and Business Lines from \$15 to \$25 for residential lines and \$20-\$50 for business lines; increased in residential "Unsuspend" charges from \$8 to \$10 and decrease "Unsuspend" charge for businesses from \$11 to \$10 to attain uniformity in this rate element; decrease from \$35 to \$25 for name and/or number change and move and change order for business lines; and elimination of Central Office Line Connection rate element for residential and business lines. These rate modification were approved by the Company's Board of Directors.
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 24 modifies "Initial" to "Initial Connection Fee"; modifies definition of rate element for "Unsuspend;" eliminates definition of Central Office Line Connection; modifies definition of Name and/or Number Change; modifies definition of Move and Change Order Charge rate element; modified definition of Engineering Premise Visit was modified to eliminate a credit for electronic plat map provision by customer.
- 8. Sheet No. 34 (Off Premise Extension Service) replaced by 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 25 one language change to add "or fiber optic termination" to "Conditions".
- 9. Sheet No. 36 (Directory Assistance Service) replaced by 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 26 no additional modifications.
- 10. Sheet Nos. 37-38 (Directory Listings) replaced by:
  - a. 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 27 eliminated distinction between business and residential rates and set a uniform rate for all lines for Additional or Alternate Listing (\$2.00); Non-listed (\$3.50); Non-published (\$3.50); Foreign Exchange (\$2.00)

and eliminated "Cross Reference or Duplicate" and "Extra Line" rate elements; and changed "Active Law Enforcement" to "Public Safety Employees".

- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 28 no modifications.
- 11. Sheet Nos. 39-40 (Custom Calling Features) replaced by:
  - a. 1st Revised Sheet No. 29 modifies language of the Premium Features custom calling package to allow customers to pick 6 or more custom calling features for the rate of \$14.99 per month (as selected by the customer). The modifications eliminate distinctions between business and residential customers and eliminate the maximum charge for usage based calling features that are not selected as part of a customer calling package. The modifications also change the features to choose from. Eliminates several conditions.
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet Nos. 30 and 31 modifies the definitions of the calling features.
- 12. Sheet Nos. 41-75 are deleted as they were "Held for Use".
- 13. Sheet Nos. 75-78 (Lifeline) are replaced by 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 32 and 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 33 which eliminates the General paragraph as it is redundant to language below; adds the Federal Enhanced Tribal Benefit credit with a reference to 47 CFR 54.403; updates the Definition and Eligibility Requirement Sections to simplify the language.
- 14. Sheet Nos. 79-80 (Tribal Link Up) are replaced by 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 34 which modifies the language of the Tribal Link Up program and references 47 CFR 54.410 and 54.413 for eligibility requirements.
- 15. Sheet No. 81 was "Held for Future Use" and is deleted.
- 16. Sheet Nos. 82-88 (Construction Charges) are replaced by:
  - a. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 35 adds "AND UPGRADES" to Section title and modifies language regarding line extensions for single-family residential facilities under 1000 feet; modifies provision for line extension of over 1000 feet at a rate of \$6.50 per foot over the initial 1000 feet; provides for a written estimate for all other line extensions and adds language regarding customer requirements.
  - b. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 36, modified language regarding required studies, permits, and any related restrictions; modifies real estate subdivision language in require the Developer to provide an electronic plat map of the subdivision with a copy of the Power plan.
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 37 modifies the language on Temporary or Speculative Service so that the customer is paying all costs of construction for such line extensions.
- 17. Sheet No. 89 (Connection with Customer Provided Equipment) is replaced by 1<sup>st</sup> Revised Sheet No. 38 modified to delete the Rate Section.
- 18. Sheet No. 90 is replaced by 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 39 which eliminates the non-recurring fee and eliminates a distinction between residential and business lines with rates set at \$4.00 per line for Call Forwarding/Circular per Hunt Group, Hunting Service per line or trunk, and

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Multi-line Hunting. Conditions are modified to be "Definitions" and a definition for Call Forwarding/Circular – Per Hunt Group was added. Unused definitions were eliminated.

- 19. Sheet No. 91 Call Blocking) is replaced by 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 40 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 41– the changes on these sheets eliminate a monthly charge for all toll blocking services and modify the definitions as needed.
- 20. Sheet Nos. 92-94 were "Held for Future Use" and have been deleted.
- 21. Sheet Nos. 95-96 (Direct Inward Dialing (DID) Service) are replaced by:
  - a. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 42 which increases the monthly rate from \$40 to 48.20 for each Trunk Circuit Termination; eliminates Selective Class Call Screening; and changes "Description" to "Definitions".
  - b. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 43 which eliminates the definition of Selective Class of Call Screening.
- 22. Sheet Nos. 97-99 (Uniform Access Solution Service) have been deleted.
- 23. Sheet Nos. 100-132 (Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN)) are replaced by:
  - a. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 44 which sets forth the Rate Elements, Installation Charge and Rates. This Sheet modifies the DID Termination Rate from \$40 to \$48.20 and adds Circuit Switched Data Connection per T1 Facility rates.
  - b. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 45 contains the Definitions. No substantive changes are made on this sheet.
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 46 contains the Available Features. No substantive changes have been made.
  - d. 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 47 contains the Conditions. No substantive changes have been made.
- 24. Sheet Nos. 133-135 were "Held for Future Use" and have been deleted.
- 25. Sheet No. 136 is replaced by 3<sup>rd</sup> Revised Sheet No. 48, no substantive changes have been made.

As the Commission is aware, UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. is a telephone cooperative. Pursuant to Utah Code Section 54-7-12(7), the Board of Directors of UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. has approved these tariff modifications and rate changes. Additionally, UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. held a public meeting for all its customers and members on June 22, 2022. Customers and members were mailed notice of the public meeting on June 9, 2022. UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. hereby files its tariff revisions reflecting the changes. The Tariff sheets, as proposed, do not constitute a violation of State law or Commission rule.

UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. respectfully requests that the Commission accept the Revised Tariff sheets with the proposed effective date of August 16, 2022.

Very truly yours,

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Enclosures

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