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Action Request Response

- To: Public Service Commission of Utah
- From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

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Date: June 9, 2025

Re: Docket No. 25-2419-T01, TARIFF Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC. Proposed Tariff Revisions

Recommendation (Approve Tariff Sheets)

The Division of Public Utilities (DPU or Division) has reviewed the tariff filing and recommends the Public Service Commission (PSC or Commission) approve Direct Communications Cedar Valley, LLC's (Direct or Company) request to revise tariff rates to comply with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) interstate carrier compensation rules. The Division recommends the tariff change be approved with an effective date of July 1, 2025.

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On May 28, 2025, Direct submitted its revised tariff sheet, which conforms with the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) interstate switched access rates, which are not on transition. The Commission issued an Action Request on May 28, 2025, for the Division to investigate the proposed rate changes from Direct and report its findings and recommendations by June 11, 2025. This memorandum represents the Division's response to the Commission's Action Request.



Background

The Company's filing is to bring intrastate rates into parity with Direct's interstate rates in accordance with FCC rules. As a participant in NECA, Tariff No. 5, all interstate switched access rates not on a transition will be decreasing by 18.4483% overall.

Discussion

The Division reviewed the redlined version of the tariff sheets submitted with the Company's filing. The proposed rates have been adjusted according to the announced rate decrease:

Switched Access Service	Old Rate	New Rate
Local Transport-LTR		
(A) Entrance Facility Per Termination		
Voice Grade Two Wire	\$35.05	\$28.58
Voice Grade Four Wire	\$56.08	\$45.73
High Capacity DS1	\$170.84	\$139.32
High Capacity DS3	\$1,559.86	\$1,272.09
Optical Channel OC3	\$1,590.61	\$1,297.17
Optical Channel OC 12	\$1,698.24	\$1,384.94
(B) Direct Trunked Transport		
Direct Trunked Facility - Per Mile		
Voice Grade	\$2.49	\$2.03
High Capacity DS1	\$11.73	\$9.57
High Capacity DS3	\$101.96	\$83.15
Optical Channel OC3	\$109.14	\$89.01
Optical Channel OC 12	\$136.98	\$111.71

(C) Direct Trunked Termination Per Termination		
Voice Grade	\$25.07	\$20.45
High Capacity DS1	\$60.74	\$49.53
High Capacity DS3	\$389.95	\$318.01
Optical Channel OC3	\$406.03	\$331.12
Optical Channel OC 12	\$884.05	\$720.96
(D) Multiplexing Per Arrangement		
DS3 to DS1	\$355.79	\$290.15
DS1 to Voice	\$137.37	\$112.03
(E)(F) Tandem Switched Transport Tandem Switched Facility		
Per Access Minute Per Mile Terminating - All Originating - All	\$0.0004480	\$0.000365
Tandem Switched Termination - All Per Access Minute Per Termination Terminating	\$0.002328	\$0.001899
(G) Network Blocking Per Blocked Call		
Applies to FGD only	\$0.017	\$0.0139
(H) Toll Free Database Access Service Queries Per Query		
Basic	\$0.000200	\$0.000200
Vertical Feature	\$0.000200	\$0.000200

Conclusion

The Division reviewed Direct's filing and does not have concerns with the proposed revisions. The Division recommends the Commission approve the filing as submitted, effective July 1, 2025.

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