

SPENCER J. COX
Governor
DEIDRE M. HENDERSON
Lieutenant Governor



MARGARET W. BUSSE
Executive Director CHRIS PARKER
Division Director

Action Request Response

To: Public Service Commission of Utah

From: Utah Division of Public Utilities

Chris Parker, Director
Brenda Salter, Assistant Director
Doug Wheelwright, Utility Technical Consultant Supervisor
Casey J. Coleman, Utility Technical Consultant

Date: May 11, 2026

Re: **Docket No. 26-053-T01**, UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. Tariff Filing.

Recommendation (Approval)

The Division of Public Utilities (Division) has reviewed UBTA-UBET Communications Inc.'s (UBTA-UBET or Company) tariff filing and has determined the Public Service Commission of Utah (Commission) should approve the tariff changes.

Issue

On April 27, 2026, the Company filed comments in this Docket requesting the Commission approve the proposed tariff changes. The Company explains in its filing "the purpose of the change is to modify the line extension construction charges for business customers to mirror the changes for residential customers."¹ This change "supports UBTA-UBET's ability to compete for business services, which will facilitate additional customer connections to its existing network".²

Background

In the Action Request from the Commission dated April 27, 2026, the Commission requests an investigation into the tariff changes. This memo summarizes the Division's investigation. The Company is changing the wording of the tariff to subscriber instead of single family

¹ UBTA-UBET Communications Inc. Tariff Filing application page 1.

² *Ibid* at 1.



residential. With this expanded language, the tariff will be more inclusive to capture all the customers of the Company. Additionally, the tariff outlines that the charges will be the same, \$6.50/foot for each foot over the initial 1,000 feet. If there is a special project that is not part of the Company's general distribution system, the tariff indicates the Company may require the applicant to pay the actual reasonable cost of such construction.

With these tariff changes the Company is making it possible to compete with other telecommunications providers for business service. The Division supports this change and recommends the Commission approve the proposed tariff changes.

Conclusion

The Division recommends the Commission approve the tariff filing with an effective date of June 1, 2026.

cc: Kira M. Slawson, Attorney for UBTA-UBET Communications Inc.
Michele Beck, Office of Consumer Services