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Ryan Denzel
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Re: Docket No. 26-2201-T01, *Bear Lake Communications, Inc.'s Proposed Tariff Revisions*

Dear Mr. Denzel,

The Public Service Commission ("PSC") has reviewed Bear Lake Communications, Inc.'s ("Bear Lake") proposed Tariff Revisions to its interstate switched access rates dated May 22, 2026, (the "Tariff Revisions"). Bear Lake made the Tariff Revisions to comply with current Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") rules governing intercarrier compensation. In accordance with the National Exchange Carrier Association ("NECA"), interstate switched access rates are expected to decrease, effective July 1, 2026.¹ The Tariff Revisions are based on the 0.5711% Interstate switched access rate decrease announced by NECA on April 10, 2026.² If NECA rates approved by the FCC differ from those announced on April 10, 2026, Bear Lake's rates will be adjusted to match the approved NECA rates.

The PSC also reviewed the comments filed by the Division of Public Utilities (DPU) on June 1, 2026. DPU states it has reviewed the proposed Tariff Revisions and the FCC rules dictating that capped interstate switched access rates reflect pool election changes. DPU finds that pool election changes for the upcoming tariff year resulted in a 0.5711% decrease from current rate levels following the methodology specified in 47 CFR § 51.909(a)(6). DPU has no objections to the proposed revisions and recommends the PSC approve the Tariff Revisions as filed, effective July 1, 2026.

¹ See *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.*, Order DA 13-5645 (rel. March 27, 2013).

² Tariff Revisions, Exhibit 1.

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Based on the PSC's review of the proposed Tariff Revisions and DPU's comments and recommendations, the PSC approves the Tariff Revisions as filed, effective July 1, 2026. If NECA rates approved by the FCC differ from those proposed in the Tariff Revisions, Bear Lake is directed to file new tariff revisions reflecting such FCC-approved NECA rates and they shall be deemed approved.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gary L. Widerburg
PSC Secretary
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