

- BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF UTAH -

In the Matter of the Request for a)
One-Time Distribution for Service in)
Millard County for Dale and Pat Wood)

DOCKET NO. 02-041-01
REPORT AND ORDER

ISSUED: August 19, 2002

SYNOPSIS

The Public Service Commission of Utah grants a one time distribution from the State Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund to facilitate the provision of telecommunications service, by Frontier Telephone Company, to Dale and Pat Wood in Kanosh, Millard County, Utah.

By The Commission:

This matter was originated by a request from Dale and Pat Wood for Universal Service Fund support for extension of telephone service approximately one mile from the current location of Frontier Telephone Company facilities. The Woods have constructed a home in Kanosh, within the certificated area of Frontier Telephone Company. There is currently no telephone service in the area. The Division of Public Utilities investigated the request. On July 8, 2002, the Commission received the results of the Division of Public Utilities' investigation. The Division found that there are no other potential subscribers that may require telephone service within the next two years. The Division recommended for a one-time USF distribution for the requested service extension.

The Division's recommendation states that total expected costs are \$10,152.12 for cable, pedestals, excavation, labor, permits, and splicing. By application of Rule R746-360-9, the funds would be paid as follows: \$2,611 from the subscriber, \$2,865 from Frontier Telephone Company, and \$4,676 from the Universal Service Fund. Frontier Telephone Company would be responsible for submitting the actual incurred costs to the Division for verification of the costs' reasonableness and necessity, with the final payment from the Fund being for those costs deemed to be reasonable and necessary for the project.

We conclude that the proposed extension of land line based telephone service is in the public interest in providing telephone service to an underserved area, and furthers universal service goals.

ORDER

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that:

1. The request for a one time distribution from the State Universal Public Telecommunications Service Support Fund, in an amount estimated to be \$4,676.00, is in the public interest and is approved.
2. The requesting subscribers will pay \$2,611 toward the cost of the project before the start of construction.
3. Any additional subscribers that sign up in the area of this extension within five years of completion of the project will pay a customer contribution payment in accordance with Rule 360-9.
4. Frontier Telephone Company shall place the same type of facilities and technology as was assumed in developing the construction costs estimate, and will size its facilities to accommodate future growth. Construction should be completed prior to the end of 2002. 5. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 63-46b-13, an aggrieved party may file, within 20 days after

the date of this Order, a written request for reconsideration by the Commission. Pursuant to Utah Code Ann. § 54-7-15, failure to file such a request precludes judicial review of the Order. If the Commission fails to issue an order within 20 days after the filing of such a request, the request shall be deemed denied. Judicial review of this Order may be sought pursuant to the Utah Administrative Procedures Act (Utah Code Ann. §§ 63-46b-1 et seq.)

DATED at Salt Lake City, Utah this 19th day of August, 2002.

/s/ Stephen F. Mecham, Chairman

/s/ Constance B. White, Commissioner

/s/ Richard M. Campbell, Commissioner

Attest:

/s/ Julie Orchard

Commission Secretary

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