

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

505 VAN NESS AVENUE
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August 27, 2013

Ryan Dulin, Director
California Public Utilities Commission – Communications Division
505 Van Ness Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Universal Lifeline Telephone Service (ULTS) Trust Administrative Committee Fund
Proposed Program Expenditures for FY 2013-14

Dear Mr. Dulin:

Pursuant to the duties and responsibilities charged under Article 4.1.(a) of the Charter of the ULTS Trust Administrative Committee (AC), the ULTS-AC proposes a \$204,438,000 program expenditure budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15 attached as Appendix A. In developing this budget, we have considered the following:

- FY 2014-2015 ULTS estimated claims from carriers;
- Carrier Implementation Costs;
 - R 11-03-013;
 - FCC 12-11;
- California LifeLine Administrator Contract cost per RFP 11PS5848;
 - Adjusted for estimated increase due to Amendment 3;
- Outreach and marketing contracts;
- CA LifeLine technical consultant contract;
- The program's pro-rata share of state control agencies costs;
- Commission staff costs for administering the California LifeLine program;
- Audit requirements set forth in Public Utilities Code §274;
- Committee meeting expenses for 4 regular meetings;
- Upgrades necessary to development and implement an electronic claims processing system; and
- Other operating costs.

Anyone may protest or respond to this request. Any responses and/or protests must be made in writing and received by the Commission within 20 days from the date that the notice of this request appeared in the Commission's Daily Calendar. The address for mailing or delivering a protest or response is:

California Public Utilities Commission
Attn: Director, Communications Division
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/s/ Ken McEldowney

Ken McEldowney, Chair

cc: Commissioners
Parties of Record in R. 11-03-013

Appendix A

All numbers in thousands		FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	FY 2014-2015
		Adopted Budget	Adopted Budget	Committee Proposed Budget
A				
1	Carrier Claims	<u>\$330,000</u>	<u>\$253,200</u>	<u>\$181,400</u>
2	Sub-Total	\$330,000	\$253,200	\$181,400
B				
1	AC-Per Diem	\$18	\$18	\$1
2	AC-Travel	\$18	\$18	\$1
3	AC-Other Costs	<u>\$5</u>	<u>\$5</u>	<u>\$1</u>
4	Sub-Total	\$41	\$41	\$3
C				
1	Staff Costs	\$1,280	\$1,393	\$1,431
2	Travel Costs	\$0	\$0	\$3
3	Pro-Rata Interagency Cost	\$1,906	\$1,906	\$2,668
4	Marketing/Outreach	\$6,000	\$10,000	\$2,100
5	3rd Party Administrator	\$14,050	\$14,405	\$12,300
6	LifeLine Consultant – Contract	\$200	\$200	\$200
7	Audits	\$200	\$300	\$2,356
8	Data Processing Automation	<u>\$1,308</u>	<u>\$1,308</u>	<u>\$133</u>
9	Sub-Total	\$24,944	\$29,512	\$21,191
D				
1	8660 Public Utilities Commission	\$354,985	\$282,753	\$198,994
2	0840 State Controller			\$52
3	8880 Financial Information System for California			\$1,792
	TOTAL PROGRAM BUDGET	<u>\$354,985</u>	<u>\$282,753</u>	<u>\$204,438</u>