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Re: IN THE MATTER OF UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY'S 2021 ANNUAL ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER (ETC) CERTIFICATION – DOCKET NO. 70008-82-TA-21 (RECORD NO. 15889)

LETTER ORDER

(Issued September 22, 2021)

Dear Mr. Asay:

This matter is before the Wyoming Public Service Commission (Commission) upon the request of Union Telephone Company (Union or the Company), for confidential treatment under Commission Rule Chapter 2, Section 30 of certain documents filed with its ETC Application.

With the July 15, 2021, ETC Application, Union filed its *Petition for Confidential Treatment of Documents (Petition)* stating that certain documents would be considered proprietary or trade secret information which would cause economic hardship if disclosed to its competitors.

Union's *Petition* came before the Commission pursuant to due notice at its Open Meeting on September 14, 2021. Counsel agreed that Commission Forms 1 and 4 should not be treated as confidential. Commission Staff recommended granting the *Petition*, to the same extent as the information has been treated as confidential on the federal level.

The Commission finds the *Petition* is generally consistent with the provisions of Commission Rule Chapter 2, Section 30 and the information described therein is of the character subject to protection under this Rule. The Commission concludes the Company has shown good cause for its request and further concludes the *Petition* should be granted.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. Pursuant to Commission action taken at the September 14, 2021, Open Meeting, Union Telephone Company's, *Petition for Confidential Treatment of Documents* is granted in part, with the exception, if applicable, of any information publicly available on the websites of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), or has been deemed to be public on a federal level. Further, Commission Forms 1 and 4 will not be treated as confidential.

2. This *Letter Order* is effective immediately.

MADE and ENTERED at Cheyenne, Wyoming, on September 22, 2021.



BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Dylan C. Freeman". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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