# PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

## LCB File No. R143-13

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Rulemaking to amend, adopt, and/or repeal regulations	)	
pertaining to Chapters 703 and 704 of the Nevada	)	
Administrative Code regarding telecommunication	)	Docket No. 13-06019
services in accordance with Senate Bill 41.	)	

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ACT UPON A REGULATION,
NOTICE OF WORKSHOP AND NOTICE OF HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION,
AMENDMENT AND REPEAL OF REGULATIONS OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

On June 14, 2013, the Commission opened a Rulemaking to amend, adopt, and/or repeal regulations pertaining to Chapters 703 and 704 of the Nevada Administrative Code regarding telecommunication services in accordance with Senate Bill ("SB") 41. This matter has been designated by the Commission as Docket No. 13-06019.

This matter is being conducted by the Commission pursuant to the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC") Chapters 233B, 703, and 704, including but not limited to NRS 703.025 and 704.210.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission will hold a public WORKSHOP pursuant to NRS 233B.061(2) to be held as follows:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2014 10:00 A.M. Hearing Room A Public Utilities Commission of Nevada 1150 East William Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

#### VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE TO:

Hearing Room A
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250
Las Vegas, Nevada 89148

The purpose of the workshop is to solicit comments from all interested persons on the proposed regulation addressing telecommunication services set forth in SB 41 of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature. Discussion may also include any issues regarding overlap between the proposed regulation in this matter and the regulation being considered in Docket No. 13-06021 implementing the provisions of SB 498. A period will be provided for comments by the general public and discussion of those comments. Public comments may be limited to two (2) minutes per person at the discretion of the Presiding Officer.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commission will hold a public HEARING pursuant to NRS 233B.061(3) to be held as follows:

THURSDAY, APRIL 24,2014 10:00 A.M. Hearing Room A Public Utilities Commission of Nevada 1150 East William Street Carson City, Nevada 89701

### VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE TO:

Hearing Room A
Public Utilities Commission of Nevada
9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250
Las Vegas, Nevada 89148

The purpose of the hearing is to receive comments from all interested persons addressing telecommunication services set forth in SB 41 of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

Discussion may also include any issues regarding overlap between the proposed regulation in this matter and the regulation being considered in Docket No. 13-06021 implementing the

provisions of SB 498. A period will be provided for comments by the general public and discussion of those comments. Public comments may be limited to two (2) minutes per person at the discretion of the Presiding Officer. If no person who is directly affected by the proposed regulation appears at the hearing to request time to make an oral presentation, the Commission may proceed to act upon any written submissions.

The following information is provided pursuant to the requirements of NRS 233B.0603:

The proposed regulation is needed to implement the provisions of SB 41 of the 77th Session of the Nevada Legislature.

The proposed regulation applies to eligible telecommunications carriers ("ETCs") and revises and implements provisions governing eligibility for and provision of Lifeline and tribal Link Up telecommunication services in accordance with SB 41.

The proposed regulation is expected to have no adverse immediate or long-term economic effects on the businesses that it is to regulate (telecommunications providers).

The proposed regulation is expected to have no beneficial immediate and long-term economic effects on the public.

The Commission used the simplified Delphi method in determining the impact on small businesses, whereby experts review the text of the proposed regulation and determine the likely impact of the proposed regulation on small businesses. These experts share their responses with each other and form a consensus view. The Commission found that the proposed regulation does not impose a direct or significant economic burden upon small businesses, nor does it directly restrict the formation, operation, or expansion of a small business.

It is unknown at this time whether there will be an additional cost to the Commission for the enforcement of the proposed regulation. The proposed regulation does not overlap or duplicate any state or local regulations. The proposed regulation does incorporate provisions of Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") regulations for ETCs to ensure compliance with federal requirements.

The proposed regulation is not required pursuant to federal law, but the proposed regulation does incorporate federal regulations for ETCs to ensure compliance with federal requirements.

The proposed regulation is not more stringent than a federal regulation that regulates the same activity.

The proposed regulation does not establish any new fee or increase an existing fee.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed action of the Commission may appear at the scheduled workshop and hearing or may address their comments, data, views, or arguments in written form to the Commission at 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 or 9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89148 on or before THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014. Written comments should include proposed revisions, if any, to the proposed regulation and clearly denote any issues of overlap between the proposed regulation in this matter and the regulation being considered in Docket No. 13-06021 implementing the provisions of SB 498.

A copy of this notice and the proposed regulation to be adopted, amended, or repealed will be on file at the State Library, 100 North Stewart Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701, for inspection by members of the public during business hours. Additional copies of the notice and the proposed regulation to be adopted, amended, or repealed are on file and available for public viewing at the Commission's website at http://puc.nv.gov, the offices of the Commission at 1150 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada, 89701 and 9075 West Diablo Drive, Suite 250, Las

Vegas, Nevada, 89148, and in all counties in which an office of the agency is not maintained, at

the main public library, for inspection and copying by members of the public during business

hours. This notice and the text of the proposed regulation are also available in the State of

Nevada Register of Administrative Regulations (LCB File No. R143-13), which is prepared and

published monthly by the Legislative Counsel Bureau pursuant to NRS 233B.0653 and on the

Internet at http://www.leg.state.nv.us. Copies of this notice and the proposed regulation will also

be mailed to members of the public upon request. A reasonable fee may be charged for copies if

it is deemed necessary. This does not apply to a public body subject to the Open Meeting Law.

Upon adoption of any regulation, the Commission, if requested to do so by an interested

person, either before adoption or within 30 days thereafter, will issue a concise statement of the

principal reasons for and against its adoption or incorporate therein its reason for overruling the

consideration urged against its adoption.

Pursuant to NRS 233B.060(1), the Presiding Officer in this matter anticipates placing the

proposed regulation on a Commission Agenda no earlier than April 30, 2014, for the

Commission's consideration as to whether to adopt the regulation as permanent.

This notice has been posted at the county courthouses located in Reno, Carson City, and

Las Vegas.

By the Commission,

BREANNE POTTER,

Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

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