

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA

Rulemaking to amend, adopt, or repeal regulations)
pertaining to the fund to maintain the availability of) Docket No. 16-01021
telephone service in Nevada.)
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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 January 27, 2016, the Public Utilities Commission of Nevada (“Commission”) opened a Rulemaking to amend, adopt, or repeal regulations pertaining to the fund to maintain the availability of telephone service in Nevada. This matter was designated as Docket No. 16-01021.

The Commission is conducting the Rulemaking 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:

THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 2017
2:00 P.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 workshop is to solicit comments from all interested persons on the proposed regulation setting forth a process for Commission adoption of a list of revenue types to be included and/or excluded in calculating assessments for persons furnishing intrastate telecommunication service or the functional equivalent of such service through any form of telephone technology pursuant to NRS 704.040(5), which has been referred to as "Phase 2" of Docket No. 16-01021. 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:

MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017
2:00 P.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 on the proposed regulation setting forth a process for Commission adoption of a list of revenue types to be included and/or excluded in calculating assessments for persons furnishing intrastate telecommunication service or the functional equivalent of such service through any form of telephone technology pursuant to NRS 704.040(5). 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 intended to clarify the revenue types to be included and excluded from calculating assessments made pursuant to NRS 704.040(5).

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

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

The Commission uses 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.

It is unknown at this time whether there will be an additional cost to the Commission for the enforcement of the proposed regulation; however, and cost is likely to be minimal.

The proposed regulation does not overlap or duplicate any state or local regulations.

The proposed regulation is not required pursuant to federal law.

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 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2017. Written comments should include proposed revisions, if any, to the proposed regulation.


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, 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 26, 2017, for the Commission's consideration as to whether to adopt the regulation as permanent.

By the Commission,

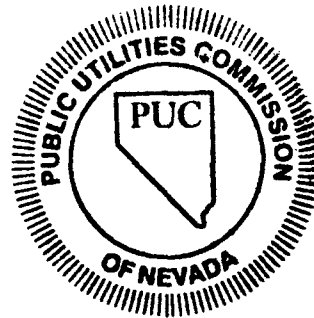


TRISHA OSBORNE,
Assistant Commission Secretary

Dated: Carson City, Nevada

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(SEAL)



**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF NEVADA**

**Docket No. 16-01021
(Phase II)**

March 7, 2017

EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~{omitted material}~~ is material to be omitted.

Section 1. LCB File No. R006-15 is hereby amended as follows:

1. On or before January 1, 2015, the Commission shall adopt a list of revenue types to be included and/or excluded in calculating annual assessments for telecommunication providers pursuant to NRS 704.033.

2. *On or before January 1, 2018, the Commission shall adopt a list of revenue types to be included and/or excluded in calculating assessments for persons furnishing intrastate telecommunication service or the functional equivalent of such service through any form of telephone technology pursuant to NRS 704.040(5).*

3. Upon notice and hearing, the Commission may consider and adopt modifications to the lists adopted pursuant to subsections 1 *and 2*. Proceedings to modify the list adopted pursuant to subsection 1 may be initiated by the Commission or via a petition filed with the Commission.