

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE 2025 ANNUAL)	CASE NO. GNR-T-25-07
IDAHO UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND)	
REPORT)	
)	ORDER NO. 36719
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On July 15, 2025, the Administrator of the Idaho Universal Service Fund (“IUSF”) submitted the 2025 Annual IUSF Report (“Report”) directly to Commission Staff (“Staff”), detailing the program activities of the previous year. The Administrator titled the Report “2024-25 IUSF CONFIDENTIAL ANNUAL REPORT” and labeled each page as “Confidential.”

On August 5, 2025, Staff presented a Decision Memorandum during the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) Decision Meeting recommending the Administrator revise and resubmit the 2025 ISUF Annual Report to ensure compliance with the public record requirements outlined in IDAPA 31.46.01.303.05. Additionally, Staff recommended the Commission direct the Administrator to submit the 2024-25 IUSF Report and all future IUSF Reports directly to the Commission Secretary.

COMMISSION FINDINGS AND DECISION

Pursuant to IDAPA 31.46.01.303, the Administrator of the IUSF is required to submit an annual report to the Commission, providing information and recommendations concerning the administration and operation of the IUSF.¹ In accordance with IDAPA 31.46.01.303.05, the report is considered a public record; however, it may include workpapers or supporting documentation that qualify as trade secrets and are therefore exempt from public disclosure.

Specifically, IDAPA 31.46.01.303.05 provides:

“The report of the administrator showing statewide aggregate totals of local service and MTS/WATS revenues, inventories of services, and other information not identifying any telephone corporation or customer is a public record available for inspection, examination and copying under Section 74-102, Idaho Code. The workpapers accompanying the report showing individual telephone corporations’ data for Title 62 services and individual telephone

¹ Procedural Rule 14.01 designates the Commission Secretary as the custodian of the public records kept by the Commission. IDAPA 31.01.01.14.01. Further, Procedural Rule 14.02 designates a document timely filed when received by the Commission Secretary. IDAPA 31.01.01.14.02.

corporation's reports to the administrator showing data for Title 62 services, together with any data for Title 61 services protected from disclosure under applicable trade secret law, are trade secrets exempt from disclosure under Section 74-107(1), Idaho Code.

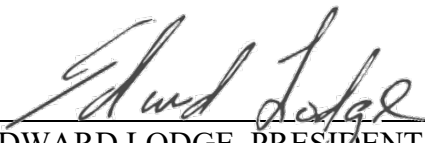
We find it reasonable to direct the Administrator to resubmit the 2024-25 IUSF Report in a form that complies with IDAPA 31.46.01.303.05 and 31.01.01.14. Additionally, we direct the Administrator to adhere to the Commission's Rules of Procedure, specifically, Rule 67, which outlines the appropriate form and procedure for submitting confidential information, including workpapers which contain confidential information or trade secrets. IDAPA 31.01.01.67. The Administrator must submit the updated 2024-25 IUSF Report directly to the Commission Secretary in accordance with Order No. 35375.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Administrator of the IUSF submit an updated 2024-25 IUSF Report to the Commission Secretary in accordance with Order No. 35375.

THIS IS AN INTERLOCUTORY ORDER, not a final and appealable order of the Commission. The period to seek reconsideration will not begin until a final order issues.

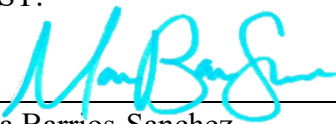
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this day of August, 2025.


EDWARD LODGE, PRESIDENT


JOHN R. HAMMOND JR., COMMISSIONER


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ATTEST:


Monica Barrios-Sanchez
Commission Secretary

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