

Decision No. C11-0135

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF COLORADO**

DOCKET NO. 11M-096T

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IN THE MATTER OF FILING THE ANNUAL MARCH 31ST COLORADO HIGH COST SUPPORT MECHANISM WORKSHEET OR THE DECLARATION OF DE MINIMIS FORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 4 CCR 723-2-2846 BY ALL TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDERS IN COLORADO.

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**ORDER CONCERNING FILING OF THE  
ANNUAL MARCH 31ST, HIGH COST  
SUPPORT MECHANISM REPORT BY ALL  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDERS**

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Mailed Date: February 8, 2011

Adopted Date: February 2, 2011

**I. BY THE COMMISSION**

**A. Statement**

1. In accordance with Rule 2846 of the *Rules Regulating Telecommunications Providers, Services, and Products*, 4 Code of Colorado Regulations 723-2, each telecommunications service provider must provide to the Colorado High Cost Support Fund administrator a verified accounting of its retail revenues, and such other revenues, as the administrator shall request for purposes of determining contributions and disbursements under these rules. The accounting shall be submitted via the form known as the Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism (CHCSM) Worksheet.

2. Rule 2846(b)(I)(B) states that the *de minimis* exemption applies to those telecommunications service providers, whose contribution to the CHCSM is less than \$10,000 for the calendar year 2010. Those telecommunications service providers falling within the

*de minimis* exemption are required to file with the administrator only that portion of the CHCSM Worksheet that certifies their *de minimis* status, the “Declaration of De Minimis Form.”

3. Each telecommunications service provider is required to file the CHCSM Worksheet or the Declaration of De Minimis Form on or before March 31, 2011, for the reporting period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. A telecommunications service provider in Colorado may file a motion for a reasonable extension of time in this docket if it cannot meet the March 31, 2011 deadline.

4. This Order specifies the CHCSM Reporting Forms to be filed by telecommunications service providers for the March 31, 2011 reporting period in accordance with the requirements listed on Appendix A to this Order. The reporting forms and instructions may be found on the Commission’s website at [www.dora.state.co.us/puc](http://www.dora.state.co.us/puc).

**II. ORDER**

**A. The Commission Orders That:**

1. Each telecommunications service provider shall file the annual Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism Worksheet or Declaration of De Minimis Form in accordance with Rule 2846(b)(I) on or before March 31, 2011.

2. Telecommunications service providers may file for a reasonable extension of time in this docket if it cannot meet the filing deadline.

3. This Order is effective upon its Mailed Date.

**B. ADOPTED IN COMMISSIONERS' WEEKLY MEETING  
February 2, 2011.**

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ATTEST: A TRUE COPY



Doug Dean,  
Director

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO

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**TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROVIDERS**  
**2011 ANNUAL MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup> CHCSM REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

On or before March 31, 2011, each telecommunication service provider must file the prescribed Colorado High Cost Support Mechanism (CHCSM) Report Form for retail revenues generated from intrastate operations for calendar year 2010. The prescribed March 31, 2011, CHCSM Report Form for telecommunication providers is located on the Commission's webpage at: [www.dora.state.co.us/puc](http://www.dora.state.co.us/puc). If you do not have access to the PUC website, please contact the CHCSM Administrator at (303) 894-2043 and a hard copy will be provided.

**HCSM Worksheet**

1. All telecommunication service providers with CHCSM **contributions above \$10,000 for the calendar year 2010 are to check the "HCSM Worksheet" box and complete and file pages 1 and 2** on the form entitled "*CHCSM Report Form*".
  - a. On the Commission's webpage, select "Telecommunications" down the left column. On the next page select "Direct Service Programs" and then on the next page select "HCSM – High Cost Support".
  - b. On the "Forms for Complying with HCSM Rules" page is the "*CHCSM Report Form*" that is due March 31, 2011, and the corresponding "*CHCSM Report Form Instructions*". Download both the form and the instructions. **Read the "*CHCSM Report Form Instructions*"** before completing the "*HCSM Worksheet*".
  - c. File the completed "*HCSM Worksheet*" electronically with e-filing in Docket No. 11M-096T. If not E-Filing, submit a signed hard copy to the following address and refer to Docket No. 11M-096T on the form:

CHCSM Administrator  
Colorado Public Utilities Commission  
1560 Broadway, Suite 250  
Denver, CO 80202-5143

**Declaration of De Minimis Form**

2. Telecommunication service providers with CHCSM **contributions below \$10,000 for calendar year 2010 are to check the "Declaration of De Minimis Form" box and complete and file page 1** on the form entitled "*CHCSM Report Form*". These telecommunications service providers must qualify for the de minimis exemption pursuant to all appropriate Commission rules.
  - d. On the Commission's webpage, select "Telecommunications" down the left column. On the next page select "Direct Service Programs" and then on the next page select "HCSM – High Cost Support".
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