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STATE OF MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

**NOTICE OF COMMENT PERIOD**

*August 5, 2014*

**In the Matter of the Telephone Assistance Plan (TAP) Annual Review**

**PUC Docket Number: P999/CI-14-470**

**Comment Period:** Comment period closes August 21, 2014

**Topic Open for Comment:**

- What if any changes should the Commission make to the benefit and/or surcharge levels?

**Background:** On July 10, 2013, the Commission decided to 1) increase the monthly credit to TAP subscribers from \$2.50 to \$3.50, and 2) decrease the monthly per line surcharge from \$0.06 to \$0.03. The changes, expected to draw down the TAP Fund, were implemented starting October 1, 2013.

Staff Briefing Papers related to CY 2013 TAP Reports was filed in eDockets on August 5, 2014. The Briefing Papers show TAP data for CY 2013 and present alternatives for Commission consideration of any changes to the credit and surcharge levels. The matter is scheduled for the agenda meeting on August 28, 2014.

Staff intends to write Supplemental Briefing Papers if the Commission receives Comments.

**Submit Public Comments:** E-mail to [PublicComments.PUC@state.mn.us](mailto:PublicComments.PUC@state.mn.us).

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