

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 14, 2017
To: Mike McCarthy, Telecom Rates Analyst
From: Theresa Staples, TAP Administrator
Subject: Telephone Assistance Program (TAP) January through June 2017, Six Month Review
PUC Docket Number: P999/CI-17-677

I have completed my data calculations for the Telephone Assistance Program’s (TAP) six month review of January through June 30, 2017. The supporting spreadsheet of TAP can be found in the attachment. Additional spreadsheets can be provided at your request. I am available for any questions you may have.

January-June 30, 2017

SWIFT TAP funds (state accounting records)	
1. Fund balance as of 12/31/2016	\$1,124,301
2. Revenues remitted by companies thru DPS (TAP surcharge)	\$342,531
3. Interest other revenues	\$6,047
4. Expenditures to companies (TAP credit)	\$355,458
5. Other disbursements, administrative, etc.	\$20,943
6. Fund balance as of 6/30/2017	\$1,096,478

TAP (PUC's TAP database records, attachment)	
1. (4a) Wirelines (June)	1,697,468
Revenues/Collections	
2. (4b) Total Surcharge Revenues Collected	\$306,555
3. (4c) Total Surcharge Revenue Deposits made to DPS 911 program	\$306,205
(6. Fees Remittance Form: Prorated Adjustments, 4b minus 4c)	(\$350)
Expenditures	
1. (5a) Number of TAP subscribers (June)	23,456
2. (5c) Total Credits Reimbursed	\$328,242
3. (7e) Total Admin. Expenses	\$15,303
4. (8) Total Reimbursement Requested (credit + admin: 5c + 7e)	\$343,545

DPS (Dept. of Public Safety records)	
Wirelines (June)	1,873,256
Surcharge Collected (TAP surcharge)	\$333,247

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\$36,326 SWIFT greater than TAP ¹

\$9,284 SWIFT greater than DPS ²

\$27,042 DPS greater than TAP ³

2) EXPENDITURES:

SWIFT (state accounting records)

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TAP (PUC's TAP database records)

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\$ 11,913 SWIFT greater than TAP ⁴

3) LINES:

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DPS (Dept. of Public Safety records)

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175,788 DPS greater than TAP ⁵

1) REVENUES:

¹ **SWIFT greater than TAP** - SWIFT records revenue deposits from DPS. The TAP form records what was reported to DPS. TAP revenues would lag in revenue to SWIFT.

² **SWIFT greater than DPS** - DPS deposits revenues to SWIFT. SWIFT revenues show greater than DPS. This could be due to report receipt, report processing, and the claiming of reimbursement.

³ **DPS greater than TAP** - DPS revenue is fiscal year 2017. TAP revenue is calendar year 2017. It is noted DPS fiscal year end contains some TAP calendar year end 2016 annual revenues. DPS data also contains revenue that is local niche service and interexchange service (IXC)-long distance. Companies report revenue to DPS but do not report to TAP. TAP records what was reported to DPS. TAP revenue is recorded after a lag.

2) EXPENDITURES:

⁴ **SWIFT greater than TAP** - TAP is reviewed and approved for payment and then posted to SWIFT. SWIFT records the expenditure after TAP approval. There could be a lag in the receipt of reports, the approving of reports, and the posting of payments.

3) LINES:

⁵ **DPS greater than TAP** - DPS lines are fiscal year-end June. TAP lines are calendar year June. DPS fiscal year-end June contains 115,698 lines of TAP calendar year-end December 2016, lines. DPS also contains 23,780 lines that are local niche service and interexchange service (IXC)-long distance. Local niche and interexchange tele cos are not required to file TAP reports.

Telephone Assistance Program (TAP) Report January-June 30, 2017

Service Provider	4a Access Lines <i>June 2017</i>	5a Subscribers <i>June 2017</i>	4b Surcharge Rev Collected <i>Jan-June 2017</i>	4c Deposits to 911 <i>Jan-June 2017</i>	5c Credits Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2017</i>	7e Admin Exps Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2017</i>	8 (5c 7e) Total Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2017</i>
Access One of MN, Inc. (Access One, Inc.)	16	0	4	4	0	0	0
Access Point, Inc.	259	0	15	15	0	0	0
Ace Link Telecommunications, Inc.	947	78	175	175	550	120	670
Ace Telephone Association	6,991	450	1,279	1,279	3,206	120	3,326
ACN Communication Services, Inc.	186	0	36	36	0	0	0
Advanced Integrated Technologies Inc.	540	0	98	98	0	0	0
AEX Communications, Inc.	138	0	24	24	0	0	0
Albany Mutual Telephone Association	3,193	62	571	571	1,281	0	1,281
Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.	695	44	124	124	291	0	291
Arrowhead Communications Corp.	408	20	69	69	133	153	286
Arvig Telephone Company	9,541	403	1,628	1,628	2,793	0	2,793
AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.	-	-	-	-	186	0	186
Barnesville Municipal Telephone Company	1,115	121	200	200	882	0	882
BCN Telecom, Inc.	62	0	10	10	0	0	0
Benton Cooperative Telephone Company	4,043	152	726	726	1,071	100	1,171
Big River Telephone Company, LLC	1,760	0	314	314	0	0	0
Blue Earth Valley Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM	4,297	684	776	776	4,711	150	4,861
Bridge Water Telephone Company	5,209	127	939	939	886	0	886
Broadview Networks, Inc.	231	0	41	41	0	0	0
BullsEye Telecom, Inc.	1,552	0	265	265	0	0	0
Callaway Telephone Company	236	6	42	42	116	458	573
Cannon Valley Telecom, Inc.	1,105	117	198	198	809	150	959
CenturyLink (Qwest Corporation)	463,869	7,696	85,140	85,140	167,811	668	168,479
CenturyLink Communications, LLC	1,072	0	202	202	0	0	0
CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc. dba CenturyLink	14,698	704	2,725	2,725	4,981	0	4,981
CenturyTel of Northwest Wisconsin, LLC dba CenturyLink	100	3	19	19	21	0	21
Christensen Communications Company	1,137	15	173	173	259	281	540
C-I Communications, Inc.	502	81	111	111	567	50	617
Citizens Telecommunications Company of MN, LLC	58,800	626	10,767	10,767	13,339	938	14,277
City of Windom	1,193	24	218	218	168	80	248
Clara City Telephone Exchange Company	864	30	155	155	658	135	793
Clarity, Inc	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
Clear Rate Communications	1,370	0	126	126	0	0	0
Clements Telephone Company, Inc.	112	2	20	20	42	120	162
Comcast Phone of Minnesota, Inc.	310,295	0	55,841	55,841	0	0	0
Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc.☐	-	458	-	-	3,229	41	3,270
Consolidated Telephone Company	7,287	348	1,243	1,243	2,506	50	2,556
DishNET Wireline, LLC	2,930	0	541	541	0	0	0

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Dunnell Telephone Company, Inc.	135	2	16	16	14	0	14
Eagle Valley Telephone Company	429	98	78	78	686	153	839
EarthLink Business, LLC fka New Edge Network, Inc. dba N	425	0	99	99	0	0	0
East Otter Tail Telephone Company	14,626	291	2,513	2,513	6,143	503	6,646
Easton Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM	653	92	120	120	634	150	784
Eckles Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM	2,976	173	537	537	1,183	150	1,333
Electric Lightwave, LLC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Embarq Minnesota, Inc. dba CenturyLink	64,521	1,662	11,913	11,913	11,722	0	11,722
Emily Cooperative Telephone Company	1,286	70	206	206	473	75	548
Eschelon Telecom of Minnesota, Inc. dba Eschelon Teleco	7,017	0	1,331	1,331	0	0	0
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	-	34	282	282	714	0	714
Federated Telephone Cooperative	-	112	839	839	2,209	0	2,209
Felton Telephone Company, Inc.	455	15	82	82	105	153	258
FiberNet Monticello	698	0	127	127	11	76	87
First Communications, LLC	261	6	48	48	0	0	0
Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.	44,725	404	8,243	8,243	8,757	598	9,355
G.C. Pivotal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garden Valley Telephone Company Coop	12,301	230	2,191	2,190	4,844	95	4,939
Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association	3,015	138	546	546	966	0	966
Granada Telephone Company	104	12	19	19	84	150	234
Halstad Telephone Company	1,879	51	336	336	350	110	460
Harmony Telephone Company	773	89	140	140	641	150	791
Hiawatha Broadband Communications, Inc	12,530	81	2,274	2,274	1,708	0	1,708
Home Telephone Company	1,195	11	217	217	231	458	689
iNetworks Group, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Integra Telecom of Minnesota, Inc.	60,903	0	11,332	11,332	0	0	0
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	1,320	87	239	239	620	0	620
Jaguar Communications, Inc.	9,251	69	1,604	1,604	494	80	574
Johnson Telephone Co.	1,499	293	257	256	2,041	0	2,041
Kasson & Mantorville Telephone Company	3,494	119	631	631	837	65	902
Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company	316	12	50	50	84	0	84
Local Access Network, LLC dba Milaca Local Link	475	56	85	85	371	100	471
Lonsdale Telephone Company	1,912	49	340	0	340	0	340
Loretel Systems, Inc.	8,661	452	1,500	1,500	3,066	214	3,280
Mabel Cooperative Telephone Company	664	22	120	120	476	300	776
Mainstreet Communications, LLC	1,444	39	256	256	826	458	1,284
Manchester-Hartland Telephone Co.	520	33	93	93	224	50	274
Mankato Citizens Telephone Company dba HickoryTech	-	1,114	-	-	7,860	54	7,914
Matrix Telecom, Inc. d/b/a Matrix Business Technologies	195	0	37	37	0	0	0

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MCC Telephony of Minnesota, LLC dba Mediacom	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
MCI Metro Access Transmission Services LLC	33,703	0	6,286	6,286	0	0	0
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.	11,254	0	2,070	2,070	0	0	0
Melrose Telephone Company	6,166	177	1,103	1,103	3,635	458	4,093
Metropolitan Telecommunications of Minnesota, Inc. dba	2,660	0	469	469	0	0	0
MidCommunications, Inc.	-	417	-	-	2,939	36	2,975
Midcontinent Communications	23,233	308	4,172	4,173	6,556	195	6,751
Mid-State Telephone Company	5,824	214	1,040	1,040	1,470	0	1,470
Midwest Telephone Company	1,976	86	355	355	1,736	458	2,194
Minnesota Valley Telephone Company	462	32	84	84	228	0	228
Mitel NetSolutions, Inc.	124	0	28	28	0	0	0
Nebraska Technology & Telecommunications, Inc.	1,926	62	356	356	1,267	60	1,327
New Ulm Telecom, Inc.	6,789	434	1,229	1,229	3,007	290	3,297
Nextera Communications, LLC	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
NOS Communications Inc.	3	0	1	1	0	0	0
NU-Telecom - Hutch	4,988	168	903	903	1,211	80	1,291
NU-Telecom - Litch	1,757	163	318	318	1,152	80	1,232
Onvoy, Inc.	254	0	40	40	0	0	0
Osakis Telephone Company	1,293	23	227	227	441	458	899
Otter Tail Telcom, LLC	4,420	20	787	787	319	300	619
Park Region Mutual Telephone Co. Coop	2,916	20	509	509	441	300	741
Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Coop	29,344	682	5,188	5,174	4,697	84	4,781
Peerless Network of Minnesota, LLC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peoples Telephone Company	1,717	35	293	293	749	458	1,207
Pine Island Telephone Company	2,029	105	368	368	749	150	899
Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation	89	3	16	16	21	0	21
RCLEC, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Red River Rural Telephone Association	1,152	35	186	186	242	45	287
Redwood County Telephone Company	3,636	40	661	661	833	488	1,321
Reliant Communications, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rothsay Telephone Company	454	18	81	81	126	40	166
RS Fiber Cooperative	286	0	35	36	0	0	0
Runestone Telephone Association	3,885	82	693	693	1,694	0	1,694
Sacred Heart Telephone Company	291	7	53	53	158	135	293
Scott-Rice Telephone Company	7,818	205	1,418	1,418	1,470	70	1,540
Sleepy Eye Telephone Co.	3,623	104	654	654	718	100	818
Southwest Minnesota Broadband Services	1,656	87	299	299	585	0	585
Spectrotel, Inc	301	0	49	49	0	0	0
Spring Grove Communications	1,148	183	204	204	1,271	0	1,271

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Sprint Communications Company L.P.	1,339	0	251	251	0	0	0
Starbuck Telephone Company	827	52	155	155	1,120	135	1,255
Talk America Services, LLC	2,620	24	490	490	567	0	567
TCG Minnesota, Inc./Teleport Communications America, I	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
Tekstar Communications, Inc.	12,773	269	2,262	2,262	5,618	458	6,075
Telephone Associates, Inc.	2,482	51	461	461	1,075	0	1,075
TeleQuality Communications, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tri-Co Technologies, LLC dba Crosslake Communications	1,405	10	244	244	221	300	521
Twin Valley-Ulen Telephone Co.	2,800	63	492	492	1,274	458	1,732
Upsala Cooperative Telephone Association	777	30	139	139	644	0	644
USLink, Inc. dba TDS METROCOM	43,499	0	8,016	8,016	0	0	0
VAL-ED Joint Venture, LLP dba 702 Communications	1,526	0	280	280	0	0	0
Valley Telephone Company	328	18	58	58	130	100	230
Velocity Telephone, Inc.	5,534	7	1,016	1,016	133	750	883
Voyant Communications, LLC fka Zayo Enterprise Networl	20,431	0	3,578	3,578	0	0	0
West Central Telephone Assoc	3,553	51	627	627	1,082	420	1,502
Western Telephone Co.	1,294	114	233	233	809	100	909
Wholesale Carrier Services, Inc.	9	0	2	2	0	0	0
Wikstrom Telephone Company	6,295	596	1,113	1,113	4,183	0	4,183
Windstream En-tel, LLC	343	0	67	67	0	0	0
Windstream Lakedale Link, Inc.	492	0	89	89	0	0	0
Windstream Lakedale, Inc.	16,190	128	2,940	2,941	2,769	413	3,181
Windstream NorthStar, LLC	997	0	184	184	0	0	0
Winnebago Coop. Telecom Assoc.	1,024	5	183	183	94	0	94
Winsted Telephone Company	1,425	48	255	255	322	0	322
Winthrop Telephone Company	498	12	93	93	84	0	84
Wolverton Telephone Company	131	0	24	24	7	0	7
Woodstock Telephone Company	785	20	142	142	424	0	424
Zumbrota Telephone Company	1,250	30	225	225	602	135	737
Public Total	1,465,215	23,405	267,309	266,957	328,064	15,303	343,367
Trade Secret Total	232,253	51	39,246	39,248	178	0	178
Public and Trade Secret Total	1,697,468	23,456	\$306,555	\$306,205	\$328,242	\$15,303	\$343,545

9/7/2017

No TAP report, non-compliant. Previous TAP reports show no subscribers, no reimbursement. TAP reporting of line count and surcharge paid, is unknown:

Cbeyond Communications, LLC

Charter Fiberlink CC VIII, LLC

Charter Fiberlink CCO, LLC

Ionex Communication North, Inc.