

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 15, 2020
To: Marc Fournier, Telecommunications Analyst
From: Theresa Staples, TAP Administrator
Subject: Telephone Assistance Program (TAP) January through June 30, 2020, Six Month Review
PUC Docket Number: P999/CI-20-665

I have completed my cost analysis for the Telephone Assistance Program’s (TAP) six-month review of January through June 30, 2020.

TAP supporting data is found in the attached spreadsheet. Additional spreadsheets will be provided at your request. I am available for any questions you may have.

Thank you.

January-June 30, 2020

SWIFT TAP funds (state accounting records)	
1. Fund balance as of 12/31/2019	\$1,313,619
2. Revenues TAP surcharge remitted by companies thru DPS	\$1,066,927
3. Interest revenues	\$12,363
4. Expenditures TAP credit paid to companies	\$350,034
5. Other disbursements, administrative, etc.	\$34,712
6. Fund balance as of 6/30/2020	\$2,008,163

TAP (PUC’s TAP database records, attachment)	
1. 4a Access Lines: Wirelines (June)	1,428,489
Revenues/Collections	
2. 4b Surcharge Revenues Collected	\$863,326
3. 4c Surcharge Revenue Deposits made to DPS 911 program	\$863,423
(6. DPS Fees Remittance Form: Prorated Adjustments, 4b minus 4c)	(\$-97)
1. 5a Subscribers: number of TAP subscribers (June)	13,067
Expenditures	
2. 5c Credits Reimbursed	\$364,742
3. 7e Admin. Expenses Reimbursed	\$13,084
4. 8 Total Reimbursement Requested (credit + admin: 5c + 7e)	\$377,826

DPS (Dept. of Public Safety records)	
Wirelines (June)	1,566,918
TAP Surcharge Collected	832,007

January-June 30, 2020

1) REVENUES:

SWIFT (state accounting records)

2. Revenues TAP surcharge remitted by companies thru DPS	\$1,066,927
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TAP (PUC's TAP database records)

3. 4c Surcharge Revenue Deposits made to DPS 911 program	\$863,423
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DPS (Dept. of Public Safety records)

TAP surcharge collected	\$832,007
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\$203,504 SWIFT greater than TAP ¹

\$234,920 SWIFT greater than DPS ²

\$31,416 TAP greater than DPS ³

2) EXPENDITURES:

SWIFT (state accounting records)

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\$27,792 TAP greater than SWIFT ⁴

3) LINES:

TAP (PUC's TAP database records)

1. 4a Access Lines: Wirelines (June)	1,428,489
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DPS (Dept. of Public Safety records)

Wirelines (June)	1,566,918
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138,429 DPS greater than TAP ⁵

1) REVENUES:

¹ **SWIFT greater than TAP** - SWIFT is a record of revenue deposits made by DPS. TAP is a record of revenue deposits made to DPS. SWIFT contains a YTD deposit correction of \$135,944. There may also be revenue deposits not yet posted to SWIFT. There are service providers who are not required to submit TAP but volunteer to submit revenues to DPS.

² **SWIFT greater than DPS** - DPS deposits revenues to SWIFT. DPS revenue is the deposit registers of YR/MNTH. SWIFT revenue is the ledger posted date (mm/dd/yy). DPS does not show the YTD deposit correction of \$135,944. SWIFT's ledger posted date may contain December 2019, revenues.

³ **TAP greater than DPS** - TAP is a record of revenue deposits made to DPS. There may be a slight lag in DPS reporting revenues.

2) EXPENDITURES:

⁴ **TAP greater than SWIFT** - TAP expenditures are for the reporting period of January-June 30. SWIFT expenditures are for the ledger posted date of January-June 30. SWIFT's ledger posted date does not post June invoice ids; it posts many December 2019, invoice ids.

3) LINES:

⁵ **DPS greater than TAP** - DPS lines include service providers who are not required to file TAP. Service providers volunteer to submit wirelines to DPS.

Attachment

Telephone Assistance Program (TAP) Report January-June 30, 2020

Service Provider	4a Access Lines <i>June 2020</i>	5a Subscribers <i>June 2020</i>	4b Surcharge Rev Collected <i>Jan-June 2020</i>	4c Deposits to 911 <i>Jan-June 2020</i>	5c Credits Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2020</i>	7e Admin Exps Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2020</i>	8 (5c 7e) Total Reimbursed <i>Jan-June 2020</i>
Ace Link Telecommunications, Inc.	813	47	491	491	665	120	785
Ace Telephone Association	5,667	271	3,443	3,443	3,752	120	3,872
ACN Communication Services, Inc.	87	0	56	56	0	0	0
AEX Communications, Inc.	184	0	110	110	0	0	0
Airespring, Inc.	87	0	44	44	0	0	0
Albany Mutual Telephone Association	3,254	44	1,934	1,934	1,820	0	1,820
Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc.	570	33	345	345	462	0	462
Arrowhead Communications Corp.	329	7	185	185	112	153	265
Arvig Telephone Company	8,629	238	4,776	4,776	3,283	0	3,283
AT&T Communications of the Midwest, Inc.	-	21	-	-	294	0	294
Barnesville Municipal Telephone Company	894	45	563	563	630	0	630
BCN Telecom, Inc.	529	0	294	245	0	0	0
Benton Cooperative Telephone Company	4,194	128	2,530	2,530	1,736	100	1,836
Big River Telephone Company, LLC	1,749	0	1,031	1,031	0	0	0
Blue Earth Valley Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM	3,545	398	2,124	2,124	5,467	150	5,617
Bridge Water Telephone Company	4,593	47	2,785	2,785	637	0	637
Broadband Dynamics, L.L.C.	7	0	4	4	0	0	0
Broadview Networks, Inc.	567	0	330	330	0	0	0
BullsEye Telecom, Inc.	1,454	0	993	993	0	0	0
Callaway Telephone Company	184	3	109	109	126	458	584
Cannon Valley Telecom, Inc.	915	59	555	555	868	150	1,018
Cbeyond Communications, LLC aka Fusion Communicat	2,164	0	1,326	1,326	0	0	0
CenturyLink (Qwest Corporation)	313,365	4,235	192,043	192,043	180,110	0	180,110
CenturyLink Communications, LLC	31,555	0	9,253	9,253	0	0	0
CenturyTel of Minnesota, Inc. dba CenturyLink	8,867	244	5,471	5,471	3,437	0	3,437
CenturyTel of Northwest Wisconsin, LLC dba CenturyLir	84	0	51	51	0	0	0
Christensen Communications Company	934	9	565	565	413	353	766
Citizens Telecommunications Company of MN, LLC	42,150	329	25,612	25,612	13,734	420	14,154
City of Windom	1,118	18	677	677	280	80	360
Clara City Telephone Exchange Company	699	20	418	418	882	135	1,017
Clarity Telecom, LLC dba Vast Broadband	7,291	31	3,709	3,709	1,141	62	1,203
Clear Rate Communications	1,817	0	1,086	1,086	0	0	0
Clements Telephone Company, Inc.	75	3	46	46	126	120	246
Comcast Phone of Minnesota, Inc.	301,006	0	182,154	182,154	0	0	0
Consolidated Communications Enterprise Services, Inc. -		199	-	-	2,908	50	2,958

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Consolidated Communications of Minnesota Company -		843	-		11,964	50	12,014
Consolidated Telephone Company	14,605	198	8,724	8,724	2,821	100	2,921
Contel Systems, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DishNET Wireline, LLC	1,173	0	742	742	0	0	0
Dunnell Telephone Company, Inc.	166	2	66	66	28	0	28
Eagle Valley Telephone Company	319	42	196	196	581	153	734
EarthLink Business, LLC fka New Edge Network, Inc. dba	188	0	135	134	0	0	0
East Otter Tail Telephone Company	11,201	146	6,564	6,564	6,209	473	6,682
Easton Telephone Company dba BEVCOMM	536	35	323	323	497	150	647
Eckles Telephone Co dba BEVCOMM	2,483	89	1,505	1,505	1,253	150	1,403
Electric Lightwave, LLC (New) (merger of Integra Teleco	40,370	0	25,505	25,505	0	0	0
Embarq Minnesota, Inc. dba CenturyLink	36,763	713	22,573	22,573	9,940	0	9,940
Emily Cooperative Telephone Company	1,274	42	698	698	588	75	663
Entelegent Solutions, Inc.	11	0	6	6	0	0	0
Farmers Mutual Telephone Company	-	26	1,053	1,053	1,071	0	1,071
Federated Telephone Cooperative	-	78	2,977	2,977	3,164	0	3,164
Felton Telephone Company, Inc.	364	6	223	223	77	153	230
FiberNet Monticello	599	0	364	364	0	0	0
Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.	30,191	179	17,882	17,882	7,658	339	7,997
Garden Valley Telephone Company Coop	9,917	174	5,958	5,941	6,958	95	7,053
Gardonville Cooperative Telephone Association	2,915	76	1,721	1,992	1,120	50	1,170
Granada Telephone Company	91	6	58	58	91	150	241
Granite Telecommunications, LLC	16,084	0	9,911	9,911	0	0	0
Halstad Telephone Company	1,917	24	1,154	1,154	336	110	446
Harmony Telephone Company	746	34	444	444	462	150	612
Heartland Telecommunications of Iowa dba Premier Cc	3	0	2	2	0	0	0
Hiawatha Broadband Communications, Inc	11,039	40	6,684	6,684	2,744	0	2,744
Home Telephone Company	943	6	570	570	252	458	710
Hutchinson Telecommunications, Inc dba NU-Telecom	1,653	138	990	990	1,981	80	2,061
Hutchinson Telephone Company dba NU-Telecom	4,262	104	2,576	2,576	1,463	80	1,543
Interstate Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.	1,075	37	654	654	546	0	546
Jaguar Communications, Inc.	14,666	57	8,629	8,629	777	80	857
Johnson Telephone Co.	1,511	249	842	842	3,500	0	3,500
Kasson & Mantorville Telephone Company	3,311	87	2,007	2,007	1,239	0	1,239
Level 3 Communications, LLC	40,132	0	24,568	24,568	0	0	0
Lingo Communications North, LLC fka Ionex Communic	447	0	271	271	0	0	0
Lismore Cooperative Telephone Company	304	12	182	182	168	0	168

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Local Access Network, LLC dba Milaca Local Link	366	48	223	223	630	100	730
Lonsdale Telephone Company	1,701	34	1,031	1,031	490	75	565
Loretel Systems, Inc.	6,018	219	3,535	3,535	3,073	168	3,241
Mabel Cooperative Telephone Company	651	16	384	384	637	300	937
Mainstreet Communications, LLC	1,189	22	721	721	1,008	458	1,466
Manchester-Hartland Telephone Co.	499	24	300	300	350	0	350
Matrix Telecom, Inc. d/b/a Matrix Business Technologic	219	0	135	135	0	0	0
MCC Telephony of Minnesota, LLC dba Mediacom	-	0	28,916	28,916	0	0	0
MCI Communications Services, Inc.	-	0	8,017	8,017	0	0	0
MCI Metro Access Transmission Services LLC	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
McLeodUSA Telecommunications Services, Inc.	5,056	0	3,105	3,106	0	0	0
Melrose Telephone Company	4,995	85	3,019	3,019	3,605	458	4,063
Metropolitan Telecommunications of Minnesota, Inc. d	2,254	0	1,355	1,355	0	0	0
Midcontinent Communications	22,488	319	13,517	13,518	13,097	0	13,097
Mid-State Telephone Company	4,982	120	2,933	2,933	1,680	0	1,680
Midwest Telephone Company	1,469	43	887	887	1,841	458	2,299
Minnesota Valley Telephone Company	360	20	220	220	287	70	357
Mitel NetSolutions, Inc.	32	0	6	6	0	0	0
Nebraska Technology & Telecommunications, Inc.	1,498	40	905	905	1,701	30	1,731
New Ulm Telecom, Inc.	5,522	265	3,345	3,345	3,696	200	3,896
Nextera Communications, LLC	-	24	-	-	875	0	875
Northern Iowa Telephone Company	22	0	13	13	0	0	0
Northern Telephone Co.	27	15	17	18	210	0	210
Onvoy, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Osakis Telephone Company	951	13	567	567	553	458	1,011
Otter Tail Telcom, LLC	3,882	12	2,343	2,343	518	300	818
PaeTec Communications, Inc.	71	0	41	41	0	0	0
Park Region Mutual Telephone Co. Coop	2,568	14	1,510	1,510	602	300	902
Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Coop	27,331	468	16,334	16,225	6,552	60	6,612
Peerless Network of Minnesota, LLC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Peoples Telephone Company	1,430	21	817	817	847	458	1,305
Pine Island Telephone Company	1,640	79	993	993	994	150	1,144
Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation	70	0	42	42	0	0	0
POPP.com, Inc.	32,254	0	19,269	19,269	0	0	0
QuantumShift Communications, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RCLEC, Inc.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Red River Rural Telephone Association	1,004	11	539	539	154	45	199

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Redwood County Telephone Company	2,933	21	1,779	1,779	889	488	1,377
Reliant Communications, Inc.	-	-	0	0	0	0	0
Rock County Broadband Alliance, LLC	694	0	418	418	0	0	0
Rothsay Telephone Company	346	5	214	214	77	40	117
RS Fiber Cooperative	560	5	335	335	203	0	203
Runestone Telephone Association	4,077	57	2,400	2,400	2,338	0	2,338
Sacred Heart Telephone Company	239	8	145	145	336	135	471
Scott-Rice Telephone Company	5,474	154	3,351	3,351	2,191	100	2,291
Sleepy Eye Telephone Co.	2,859	74	1,733	1,733	1,036	100	1,136
Southwest Minnesota Broadband Services	1,516	66	913	913	952	0	952
Spectrotel, Inc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Spring Grove Communications	1,041	65	624	624	931	0	931
Sprint Communications Company L.P.	802	0	440	440	0	0	0
Starbuck Telephone Company	682	40	405	405	1,666	135	1,801
Talk America Services, LLC	0	0	94	94	91	0	91
TCG Minnesota, Inc./Teleport Communications America	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
Tekstar Communications, Inc.	11,576	133	6,858	6,858	5,656	503	6,159
Teliix, Inc	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tri-Co Technologies, LLC dba Crosslake Communication	1,153	5	670	670	203	300	503
Twin Valley-Ulen Telephone Co.	2,328	31	1,381	1,381	1,365	458	1,823
Upsala Cooperative Telephone Association	612	18	364	364	812	0	812
USLink, Inc. dba TDS METROCOM	26,024	0	16,465	16,465	0	0	0
VAL-ED Joint Venture, LLP dba 702 Communications	1,331	0	804	804	0	0	0
Valley Telephone Company	268	15	158	158	168	100	268
Velocity Telephone, Inc.	4,627	8	2,815	2,815	294	0	294
Velocity The Greatest Phone Company Ever, Inc.	155	0	48	48	0	0	0
Voyant Communications, LLC fka Zayo Enterprise Network	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Central Telephone Assoc	4,235	34	2,464	2,464	1,435	561	1,996
Western Telephone Co.	1,037	68	631	631	952	100	1,052
Wikstrom Telephone Company	6,461	347	3,795	3,795	4,844	0	4,844
Wilderness Valley Telephone Co. Inc.	62	3	38	38	42	0	42
Windstream En-tel, LLC	239	0	148	148	0	0	0
Windstream Lakedale Link, Inc.	416	0	253	255	0	0	0
Windstream Lakedale, Inc.	13,523	59	8,215	8,216	2,464	413	2,877
Windstream NorthStar, LLC	881	0	548	548	0	0	0
Winnebago Coop. Telecom Assoc.	1,022	1	616	616	45	0	45
Winsted Telephone Company	1,218	18	746	746	252	0	252

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Winthrop Telephone Company	407	12	245	245	175	70	245
Wolverton Telephone Company	105	0	64	64	0	0	0
Woodstock Telephone Company	639	14	391	391	602	0	602
XO Communications Services, Inc.	-	0	-	-	0	0	0
Zumbrota Telephone Company	977	22	586	586	952	135	1,087
Public Total	1,306,252	13,067	778,059	778,162	364,742	13,084	377,826
Trade Secret Total	<u>122,237</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>85,267</u>	<u>85,260</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Public and Trade Secret Total	1,428,489	13,067	\$863,326	\$863,423	\$364,742	\$13,084	\$377,826

9/10/2020