

**ADVISORY BOARD FOR THE STATE UNIVERSAL COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE  
PROGRAM  
AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 3, 2015**

**I. Opening Comments – Roger Hahn**

**II. Year 2, 2015 Activity**

- a. April 28, 2015 Training session with companies
- b. July 1, 2015 Reporting Requirements – Use of Funds received in 2014
  - i. 15 companies received state traditional funds in 2014 and met reporting requirements.
  - ii. 2 additional companies were required to provide detail project information (ROR's 10 percent or greater).
- c. Year 2, 19 Petitions filed on or before August 1 deadline.
- d. FCC Report 477 Broadband Report as of 6/30/2015 (10 Down 1 Up)
- e. Open Meeting – November 13, 2015
  - i. Threshold of 10 percent Total Washington Regulated ROR used.
  - ii. 16 companies approved and had ROR < 9 percent, ROE < 7 percent. Distribution amount totaled \$3,153,112.
  - iii. 1 company with ROR of 10.4 percent approved with reporting conditions (consistent with last year). Amount distributed of \$233,070 includes a reduction of \$23,093 for over payment from last year.
  - iv. 2 companies had ROR's of 13.9 and 21.7 percent. Commission denied the company with a 21.7 percent and \$407,243 in eligible distributions. Deferred action on the company that had an ROR of 13.9% and \$64,484 of eligible funds until the December 17<sup>th</sup> Open Meeting.
  - v. Funds to be disbursed no later than December 28, 2015
  - vi. By issuing funds prior to January 1, will require companies to report use of funds received by July 1, 2016.
- f. Company Questions during Petition Process – Eligibility - 5 Factors – **Advisory Board Feedback. – Suggestions – Revisions to WAC?**

**III. Year 3, 2016 Activity**

- a. Company training sessions (April – May)
  - i. Verify that 2011 baseline revenue has not changed
  - ii. Require RUS Balance Sheet or Commission Annual Report (Staff needs source to validate Balance Sheet included in Petition – primarily impacts companies that report consolidated results.)
- b. Next Advisory Board Meeting (once or twice a year?)
- c. Year 3 eligible fund amount from state universal service program is \$4,479,677.

**IV. Advisory Board Members Questions/Concerns/Action Items**