

**BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA**

IN THE MATTER OF A PERMANENT  
RULEMAKING OF THE OKLAHOMA  
CORPORATION COMMISSION AMENDING  
**OAC 165:59, OKLAHOMA UNIVERSAL  
SERVICE AND OKLAHOMA LIFELINE**

CAUSE NO. RM 201800019

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**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT**

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OF OKLAHOMA

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D) of the Oklahoma Administrative Procedures Act, the Public Utility Division ("PUD") of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission ("Commission") submits the following Rule Impact Statement for its proposed rules regarding Title 165, Chapter 59 of the Oklahoma Administrative Code ("OAC").

**I. Brief description of the purpose of the proposed rules:**

The purpose of the proposed rules is to modify the minimum filing requirements for a cause filed pursuant to 17 O.S. § 139.106(G); add a new paragraph allowing for determinations or Commission Orders to be applicable to reimbursements for more than a twelve (12) month period and provide for the Oklahoma Universal Service Fund ("OUSF") Administrator to develop a streamlined procedure and reporting format for subsequent reviews of such determinations or Orders; add a new paragraph allowing reductions of universal service funding received from alternative sources to be included, with supporting documentation in accordance with OAC 165:59-3-70(b), in a cause filed pursuant to 17 O.S. § 139.106(G); and add new definitions for "dedicated communication" and "wholesale broadband service."

**II. Description of classes of persons most likely to be affected by the proposed rules, including classes that will bear the cost of the proposed rules, and any information on cost impacts received by the agency from private or public entities:**

The classes or persons most likely to be affected by the proposed rules are eligible local exchange telecommunication service providers that file requests for primary universal service funding. As of the date of preparation of this Rule Impact Statement, PUD has not received any information regarding cost impact from any private or public entities.

**III. Classes of persons who will benefit from the proposed rules:**

The classes of persons benefiting from the proposed rules are eligible local exchange telecommunication providers who receive funding from the OUSF.

**IV. Description of the probable economic impact of the proposed rules upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions, including a listing of all fee changes and justification for each fee change:**

PUD does not believe there will be any economic impact upon affected classes of persons or political subdivisions. The proposed rules do not propose any fee changes.

**V. Probable cost and benefits to the agency and to any other agency of the implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules, the source of revenue to be used for implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules, and any anticipated effect on state revenues:**

The proposed rules are not expected to place any additional cost upon the Commission as such rules will be implemented and enforced by the Commission through its existing resources and personnel. There is no anticipated effect on state revenue.

**VI. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rules will have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules:**

Implementation and enforcement of the proposed rules will not have an economic impact on any political subdivisions or require their cooperation in implementing or enforcing the rules.

**VII. Determination of whether implementation of the proposed rules may have an adverse economic effect on small business as provided by the Oklahoma Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act:**

It is not anticipated that the proposed rules will have an adverse economic effect on small business.

**VIII. Explanation of the measures the agency has taken to minimize compliance cost and a determination of whether there are less costly or non-regulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rules:**

The proposed rules do not increase compliance costs, and there are no non-regulatory methods or less intrusive methods for achieving the purpose of the proposed rules.

**IX. Determination of the effect of the proposed rules on the public health, safety and environment and, if the proposed rules are designed to reduce significant risks to the public health, safety and environment, an explanation of the nature of the risk and to what extent the proposed rules will reduce the risk:**

It is anticipated that the proposed rules will not have an adverse effect on the public health, safety, and environment.

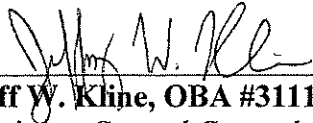
**X. Determination of any detrimental effect on the public health, safety and environment if the proposed rules are not implemented:**

It is anticipated that there will be no detrimental effect on the public health, safety, and environment if the proposed rules are not implemented.

**XI. Date of preparation of Rule Impact Statement:**

This Rule Impact Statement was prepared on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

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