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**CPUC SEEKS COMMENT ON DUCOR TELEPHONE
RATE INCREASE REQUEST AT TWO PUBLIC FORUMS**

SAN FRANCISCO, March 15, 2018 - The California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) will hold two public forums to provide an opportunity for residents and organizations to provide their perspective and input to the CPUC about Ducor Telephone Company's request to increase rates, as follows:

- **March 26, 2018, 5 p.m.:** Ducor Union Elementary School Cafeteria, 23761 Avenue 56, Ducor, CA 93218
- **April 2, 2018, 5 p.m.:** Rancho Tehama Association, Recreation Hall, 17605 Park Terrace Rd., Corning, CA 96021

The CPUC welcomes attendance at these Public Participation Hearings, as public comments help the CPUC reach an informed decision.

Ducor proposes to increase rates for basic residential and business single-line service, LifeLine service, and other business services. Ducor is also requesting review of the High Cost Fund support amounts that the company receives. Ducor proposes to set its residential basic rates at \$25, not including surcharges and fees. The residential basic rates, inclusive of state and federal fees and surcharges, would be set at: \$33.45 (Ducor), \$34.83 (Rancho Tehama), and \$34.83 (Kennedy Meadows), based on Ducor's rate calculation at the time of its application to the CPUC. Ducor proposes to increase its business rates, such as the basic business rate and the Key Access Line business rates, to \$37.04, not including surcharges and fees. Ducor also proposes to eliminate the extended area service charge it currently charges to its residential and business customers in the Ducor exchange.



A decision is expected to be made during the last quarter of 2018.

While a quorum of Commissioners and/or their staff may attend, no official action will be taken.

For those unable to attend a Public Participation Hearing in person, written comments on any proceeding may be submitted to: CPUC Public Advisor, 505 Van Ness Ave., San Francisco, CA 94102, or via email to public.advisor@cpuc.ca.gov. Please refer to proceeding number A.17-10-003 on any written or email correspondence about this proceeding. All public comments received are provided to the CPUC's Commissioners and the Administrative Law Judge assigned to the case.

Documents related to the proceeding are available at:

https://apps.cpuc.ca.gov/apex/f?p=401:56:0::NO:RP,57,RIR:P5_PROCEEDING_SELECT:A1710003.

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