

Docket Number: TC16-001
Subject Matter: Sixth Data Request
Request to: IM Telecom, LLC dba Infiniti Mobile
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff
Date of Request: January 26, 2017
Responses Due: February 8, 2017

- 6-1. The response to Data Request 5-2 shows a plan of 1000 minutes and 1700 texts for the Tribal Lifeline Plan while Data Request 5-10 mentions that the company plans to have unlimited talk and text for Tribal Lifeline customers in South Dakota. Please clarify the difference in statements.

Response to 6-1: IM Telecom, LLC d/b/a Infiniti Mobile (“Infiniti Mobile”) recognizes the discrepancy identified above and—to provide requested clarification—hereby provides the following. Currently, many Lifeline providers, including Infiniti Mobile are re-negotiating existing contracts and service agreements with underlying carriers and mobile virtual network operators (“MVNOs”) in light of new service standards and regulations set forth in the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) *Lifeline Modernization Order*, effective December 2, 2016.¹ As a result of this process, Infiniti Mobile expects—ultimately—to be able to provide an unlimited talk and text option for its Tribal Lifeline customers in South Dakota, once said negotiations are complete. However, at present, Infiniti Mobile intends to offer 1,000 anytime voice minutes and 1,700 text messages per month to qualified Tribal Lifeline customers upon launch of service in South Dakota, with the ability to increase available airtime through the purchase of Top-Up offerings, as reflected in response to Data Request 5-2. Infiniti Mobile hereby confirms that the proposed Tribal offering, as represented in response to Data Request 5-2 is accurate to-date and that no prospective Infiniti Mobile, Tribal service offering offered in South Dakota will offer less airtime. When Infiniti Mobile obtains new contracts with its MVNO and/or underlying carrier(s), enabling it to offer an unlimited package to Tribal Lifeline customers, it will provide all required notice to this Commission with respect to updating its service offerings. Until such time, customers will receive a digital notice through its IVR system sent to each customer’s handset when monthly airtime is exhausted, as well as information regarding purchasing additional airtime prior to the expiration of the customer’s monthly service period.

¹ See *Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization Order et al.*, WC Docket No. 11-42 et al., Third Report and Order, Further Report and Order, and Order on Reconsideration, 31 FCC Rcd 3962 (2016) (“*Lifeline Modernization Order*”).