# CONTRACT NO. 473-23-00003 BETWEEN THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS AND SOLIX, INC.

The parties to this contract are the Public Utility Commission of Texas, an agency of the State of Texas, located at 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, Texas 78701, and Solix, Inc., a corporation with offices at 10 Lanidex Plaza West, Parsippany, NJ 07054.

#### **Article 1. DEFINITIONS**

When used in this contract, the following terms have the following meanings:

- 1.1 "Benefits Qualified Person (BQP)" means a member of a household who qualifies the household for the Lifeline discount.
- 1.2 "Business day" means a day the PUCT is open for business and is not observing a holiday.
- 1.3 "Coding Accuracy Support System (CASS)" means a certification tool used by the USPS to ensure accuracy of validation and standardization of addresses.
- 1.4 "Commission" means the governing body of the PUCT.
- 1.5 "Contractor" or "LIDA" includes Solix, Inc., and any successors, heirs, and assigns.
- 1.6 "Interactive Voice Response (IVR)" means a computer-operated telephone system that telephone users can interact with through the use of voice and tones input with a keypad.
- 1.7 "**Lifeline**" means the telephone bill payment assistance program administered by the LIDA for low-income individuals.
- 1.8 "Parties" means PUCT and Contractor. "Any Party" means PUCT or Contractor.
- 1.9 "**PUCT**" means the Public Utility Commission of Texas, an agency of the state of Texas, acting through its Executive Director and the agency's designated contract administrator.
- 1.10 "Services" means any and all services performed and any and all goods and products delivered by Contractor as specified in the Statement of Work.
- 1.11 "Statement of Work" means the description of goods and services to be provided under this contract, located in Attachment A to this contract.

#### **Article 2. COMPENSATION**

2.1 **Compensation.** Contractor agrees to provide all Services (including labor, expenses, and any other services) described in the Statement of Work, for the total firm fixed price of \$15,310,600. Contractor understands that the PUCT is not responsible for payment of any costs or expenses exceeding this amount.

Compensation will be paid in twelve monthly installments per year, each equal to 1/12 of the fixed price for the year in which service is provided. The fixed price for each calendar year is as follows:

- January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024: \$7,598,300
- January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025: \$7,712,300

If Contractor believes that changes in the scope of Services to be performed will require Contractor to increase its fee, it must request the PUCT's written authorization to increase its fee. Contractor must document the changes in the scope of Services and why they will require additional effort. The PUCT must approve the increase in fee by written amendment to this contract before Contractor performs any Services or may invoice the increased fee.

2.2 **Payment Process.** Contractor must submit an invoice to the PUCT contract administrator no later than the tenth day of the month after the month that all the Services have been performed and completed.

No payment will be made for administrative overhead, overtime, or other charges not directly attributable to the performance of this contract.

On the statement or invoice, Contractor must include a statement that the invoice accurately describes the Services performed and the Services were performed in compliance with the contract. The statement or invoice must include the vendor identification number issued by the Texas Comptroller or Contractor's federal taxpayer identification number, a description of the Services provided (to include quantity and contracted price), and the name and division of the PUCT contract administrator. For any services Contractor subcontracts for, contractor must attach the HUB subcontractor report to the invoice along with any backup documentation for the subcontracted services.

Contractor must submit the invoice to the PUCT as follows:

By email to: Payables@puc.texas.gov

Or by mail to: Accounts Payable

Public Utility Commission of Texas

P.O. Box 13326

Austin, TX 78711-3326

The PUCT will review the invoice and any other relevant documentation to ensure the Services were performed in compliance with the contract. Upon approval of the invoice, the PUCT contract administrator will give the TUSF administrator written approval to pay the LIDA invoice from the TUSF. The TUSF administrator may not withdraw payment prior to receiving PUCT's written approval.

If the invoice does not contain required information or documentation, or if the PUCT disputes that the Services were performed in compliance with the contract, the PUCT will reject the invoice and give the contractor its reasons and the opportunity to submit a corrected invoice.

If Contractor must correct an invoice after the due date, the invoice will be deemed received on the date the corrected invoice is received.

- 2.3 **Release of Claims.** Contractor's acceptance of payment releases the PUCT of all claims for compensation owed in connection with this contract.
- 2.4 **Refund.** Contractor will promptly refund or credit within thirty calendar days any funds erroneously paid by PUCT which are not expressly authorized under the contract.
- 2.5 **Payments Made to Subcontractors.** Contractor must pay any subcontractor hereunder the appropriate share of payments received not later than the 10th day after the date Contractor receives the payment. The subcontractor's payment is overdue on the 11th day after the date Contractor receives the payment. The PUCT must approve Contractor's use of any subcontractor before Contractor engages the subcontractor (see Section 5.1 of this contract).
- 2.6 **Records.** Contractor and its subcontractors, if any, must maintain records and books of account relating to Services provided under this contract. Contractor must, for a period of seven (7) years following the expiration or termination of this contract, maintain its records (electronic and paper) of the work performed under this contract. Records include, but are not limited to, correspondence concerning the subject of this contract between Contractor and the PUCT; Contractor's internal correspondence; and correspondence between Contractor and any third party. Contractor must make all records that support the performance of Services and payment available to PUCT or its designees or the State Auditor during normal business hours with reasonable notice, upon the request of the PUCT contract administrator.
- 2.7 **Sole Compensation.** Payments under this Article are Contractor's sole compensation under this contract. Contractor must not incur expenses not contemplated under the Statement of Work, with the expectation that the PUCT or any other agency of the state of Texas will pay the expense.

## **Article 3. CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION**

- 3.1 **PUCT Contract Administration.** The PUCT designates Jay Stone to serve as its primary point of contact and contract administrator throughout the term of this contract. Contractor acknowledges that the PUCT contract administrator does not have any authority to amend this contract on behalf of the PUCT, except as expressly provided herein. Contractor further acknowledges that such authority is exclusively held by the Commission exercising its authority through a vote in an open meeting, or the Executive Director of the PUCT as the Commission's authorized designee.
- 3.2 **Contractor Contract Administration.** Contractor designates Rick Peterson and Dan Smith as its contract administrators.
- 3.3 **Reporting.** Contractor must report directly to the PUCT contract administrator and must perform all activities in accordance with the reasonable instructions, directions, and requests conveyed to Contractor by the PUCT contract administrator.
- 3.4 **Cooperation.** The Parties' contract administrators must handle all communications between them in a timely and cooperative manner. The Parties must timely notify each other by email or other written communication of any change in designee or contact information.
- 3.5 Inquiries and Prompt Referral. Contractor understands that the PUCT does not endorse

any vendor, commodity, or service. Contractor, its employees, representatives, other agents, or subcontractors may not issue any media release, advertisement, publication, or public pronouncement which pertains to this contract or the Services or project to which this contract relates, or which mentions the PUCT, without the prior approval of the PUCT. Contractor will promptly refer all inquiries regarding this contract received from state legislators, other public officials, the media, or anyone else not a Party to this contract to the PUCT contract administrator.

## **Article 4. REPORTS AND RECORDS**

- 4.1 **Written Reports.** Contractor will provide written reports to the PUCT in the form and with the frequency specified in the Statement of Work, or as otherwise agreed in writing between the Parties.
- 4.2 **Distribution of Consultant Reports.** Contractor agrees the PUCT has the right to distribute any consultant report associated with this contract, or to allow another Texas state agency or the Texas legislature to distribute it. The PUCT will also have the right to post any consultant report associated with this contract to the PUCT's website or to the website of a standing committee of the legislature. This provision does not waive any right to confidentiality that the PUCT may assert for the report or any portion thereof.

#### **Article 5. SUBCONTRACTING PARTIES**

- 5.1 **Use of Subcontractors.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that, at the time of execution of this contract, Contractor intends to perform the Services required under this Contract using a subcontractor, CSG Systems, Inc., (CSG). Contractor will notify the PUCT contract administrator of any other proposed subcontract and will work with the PUCT HUB Coordinator to procure such other subcontractor and to submit appropriate subcontractor selection documentation for approval prior to engaging any other subcontractor, such approval not to be unreasonably withheld. Any subcontract not contemplated at the initiation of this contract and any subsequent substitution of a subcontractor must be approved by an amendment according to the terms of Article 7.
- 5.2 **Sole Responsibility.** Contractor is solely responsible for the quality and timeliness of the work produced by all subcontractors that Contractor may engage to provide Services hereunder and for the timely payment for all work produced by all subcontractors that the PUCT accepts and pays for in accordance with the terms of this contract.
- 5.3 **Prime Vendor Contract.** The Parties expressly agree that this Contract is intended to constitute a prime vendor contract, with Contractor serving as the prime vendor for delivery of the Services made the subject hereof. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it is fully liable and responsible for timely, complete delivery of the Services described in this Contract, notwithstanding the engagement of any subcontractor to perform an obligation under this Contract.

#### **Article 6. TERM AND TERMINATION**

- 6.1 **Term.** The term of this Contract will begin on January 1, 2024, and will continue in effect until December 31, 2025, unless sooner terminated under Sections 6.2 or 6.3 of this Contract, or unless extended by amendment under Section 7.4 of this Contract. This Contract contemplates two potential 2-year extensions:
  - 1st 2-year extension option: January 1, 2026, until December 31, 2027,
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> 2-year extension option: January 1, 2028, until December 31, 2029.
- 6.2 **Termination for Cause by the PUCT.** If Contractor fails to provide the goods or services contracted for according to the provisions of the contract or fails to comply with any terms or conditions of the Contract, the PUCT may serve upon Contractor written notice requiring Contractor to cure such default. Unless within thirty (30) days after receipt of said notice by Contractor, said default is corrected or arrangements satisfactory to the PUCT, as applicable, for correcting the default have been made by Contractor, the PUCT may terminate this contract for default and will have all rights and remedies provided by law and under this contract. If the PUCT terminates Contractor for a violation of Section 18.12, of this contract, the PUCT need not provide any notice or opportunity for curing the default. The PUCT will not be liable for any damages or loss to Contractor as a result of termination for cause.
- 6.3 **Termination for the Convenience of the PUCT.** The PUCT may, upon thirty (30) days written notice to Contractor, terminate this contract whenever the interests of the PUCT so require. The PUCT will only reimburse those expenses already incurred at the time the notice is provided or expenses approved in writing, prior to Contractor incurring those expenses, for the purpose of wrapping up the contract. The PUCT will not be liable for any damages or loss to Contractor as a result of termination for convenience.
- 6.4 **Transfer of Duties.** In the event of termination, Contractor will provide reasonable cooperation to transfer its duties under the contract to another entity without disruption to the provision of Services.
- 6.5 **Remedies for Breach.** All remedies available to the PUCT for breach or anticipatory breach of this contract by Contractor are cumulative and may be exercised concurrently or separately, and the exercise of any one remedy will not be deemed an election of such remedy to the exclusion of other remedies. Liquidated damages, actual damages, cost projections, and injunctive relief may also be invoked either separately or combined with any other remedy in accordance with applicable law.
- 6.6 **Survival.** If this Contract expires or is terminated pursuant to its terms, the rights and obligations of the Parties under it will end; provided that the provisions of Sections 2.3 through 2.6, 3.5, 4.2, 6.5, 6.6. 7.5, 9.2, 9.4 through 9.6, 17.2 and 19.1 through 19.5, 19.9 and Articles 1, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, 23, 28, and 29 will survive in their entirety.

## Article 7. ASSIGNMENT, AMENDMENTS, AND MODIFICATIONS

7.1 **Material Change Requests**. The PUCT may propose changes to the Statement of Work. Upon receipt of a written request from the PUCT for a change to the Statement of Work, Contractor must, within the deadline specified in the request, or if no deadline is specified,

within a reasonable time thereafter, submit to the PUCT a detailed written estimate of any proposed price and schedule adjustments to this contract. No changes to the Statement of Work, will occur without the Parties' written consent as provided in accordance with the terms stated in this contract.

- 7.2 **Changes in Law, Rules, or Rulings.** Changes in federal or state legislation, rules and regulations or rulings by the PUCT after the effective date of this contract may require modification of the terms of this contract, including an increase or decrease in Contractor's duties or compensation. In the event of changes to statutes, rules, or regulations affecting the terms of this contract, the PUCT and Contractor must negotiate the terms of a contract modification in good faith and incorporate the modification into this Contract by written amendment.
- 7.3 **No Assignment of Duties.** This contract will be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the permitted successors and assigns of any Party (including by merger of Contractor or otherwise by operation of law); provided, however, that Contractor may not otherwise, without the prior written consent of the PUCT, assign or transfer this contract or any obligation incurred under this contract. Any attempt by Contractor to assign or transfer this contract or any obligation incurred under this contract, in contravention of this article, will be voidable at the PUCT's sole discretion.
- 7.4 **Amendments and Modifications.** This contract may not be amended or modified in any manner except by written instrument executed by authorized representatives of the Parties in accordance with the terms of this contract.
- 7.5 **Binding on Successors.** The terms of this contract will be binding on any successor organization of any of the Parties.

## Article 8. REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND COVENANTS

- 8.1 **Warranty of Performance.** Contractor represents, warrants, and covenants that it will perform the Services outlined in the Statement of Work, in a professional and workmanlike manner, consistent with professional standards of practice in the professional industry.
- 8.2 **Warranty of Services.** Contractor warrants that the Services will be rendered by the qualified personnel named in Section 19.8 of this contract. If Services provided under this contract require a professional license, then Contractor represents, warrants, and covenants that the activity will be performed only by duly licensed personnel.

## **Article 9. RISK OF LOSS AND PROPERTY RIGHTS**

- 9.1 **Risk of Loss**. The risk of loss for all items to be furnished hereunder will remain with Contractor until the items are delivered to and accepted by the PUCT, at which time the risk of loss will pass to the PUCT.
- 9.2 **Ownership.** Except for materials where any intellectual property rights are vested in a third party, such as software or hardware, in which case such rights remain the property of the third party, all finished materials, deliverables, conceptions, or products created or prepared for on behalf of the PUCT and purchased by the PUCT, or on behalf of the PUCT, that the PUCT has

accepted as part of the performance of Services hereunder, will be the PUCT's property exclusively and will be given to the PUCT either at the PUCT's request during the term of the Contract or upon termination or expiration of the contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, materials created, prepared for, or purchased exclusively by the PUCT or on behalf of the PUCT are the PUCT's exclusive property regardless of whether delivery to the PUCT is effectuated during or upon termination or expiration of this contract.

- 9.3 **Licensed Software.** With PUCT's advanced written consent, Contractor may obtain software licenses as an agent of the PUCT for software that is used by Contractor solely for the purpose of providing Services under this contract. Contractor must provide the PUCT with a copy of any software license obtained by Contractor as an agent for the PUCT for the purpose of providing Services under this contract.
- 9.4 **Prior Works.** Except as provided herein, all previously owned materials, conceptions, or products remain the property of Contractor and nothing contained in this contract will be construed to require Contractor to transfer ownership of such materials to the PUCT.
- 9.5 **Trademarks.** The Parties agree that no rights to any trademark or service mark belonging to another Party or to any non-Party are granted to any other Party by this contract, unless by separate written instrument. The PUCT acknowledges and agrees that use of any trademark associated with any software provided by Contractor under this contract does not give the PUCT any rights of ownership in the trademark or the software.
- 9.6 **Program Information.** Program information, data, and details relating to Contractor's Services under this contract must be maintained separately from Contractor's other activities. Contractor must undertake all reasonable care and precaution in the handling and storing of this information.
- 9.7 **Provision to be Inserted in Subcontracts.** Contractor must insert a provision containing Sections 9.2 and 9.6 of this contract in all subcontracts hereunder except altered as necessary for proper identification of the contracting Parties and the PUCT under this contract.

## **Article 10. PUBLIC INFORMATION**

- 10.1 **Texas Public Information Act.** (**Texas Government Code Chapter 552**). The Parties acknowledge that notwithstanding any other provisions of this contract, the Texas Public Information Act ("PIA") governs the treatment of all information held by or under the control of the PUCT. The PUCT will notify Contractor of requests for Contractor's information as required under the PIA.
- 10.2 **Agreement Not Confidential.** The Parties acknowledge that not all terms of this contract may be confidential under the PIA, regardless of whether those terms are marked "Proprietary," "Trade Secret," or "Confidential."
- 10.3 Contractor's Duty to Provide Public Information. Contractor is required, at no additional cost to the state, to make available in a format that is accessible by the public any information created or exchanged with the state, pursuant to this contract. For the purpose of Section 10.3 of

this contract, paper documents, Adobe Portable Document Format files (.pdf), Microsoft Excel spreadsheets (.xls), Microsoft Word documents (.docx), and Hypertext Markup Language (.html) files will be considered "accessible by the public," unless another format is specified by the PUCT, at the PUCT's sole discretion. If information created or exchanged with the state pursuant to this contract is excepted from disclosure under the PIA, Contractor will not be required to make the information available to the public, but may be required to facilitate the PUCT's provision of the information to the Texas Attorney General for a decision on the information's confidentiality. The PUCT has no duty or responsibility to argue a defense of confidentiality to Contractor's information or data; it will be Contractor's sole responsibility to do so. Additionally, the requirements of Subchapter J, Chapter 552, Government Code, may apply to this contract and the Contractor agrees that the contract can be terminated if the Contractor knowingly or intentionally fails to comply with a requirement of that subchapter.

## **Article 11. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTION**

- 11.1 **No Conflicting Relationships.** Contractor certifies to the PUCT that no existing or contemplated relationship exists between Contractor and the PUCT that interferes with fair competition or is a conflict of interest, and that no existing or contemplated relationship exists between Contractor and another person or organization, whether or not located within the State of Texas, that constitutes or will constitute a conflict of interest for Contractor with respect to the PUCT.
- 11.2 **Prohibition on Transactions with Parties Adverse to the PUCT.** Contractor agrees that during the term of this contract and any extensions or renewals thereof, it will neither provide contractual services nor enter into any agreement, oral or written, to provide services to a person or organization that is regulated or funded by the PUCT or that has interests that are directly or indirectly adverse to those of the PUCT. The PUCT may waive this provision in writing if, in the PUCT's sole judgment, such activities of the Contractor will not be adverse to the interests of the PUCT. The PUCT may waive the other's right to prohibit a transaction between Contractor and any person or organization that is regulated or funded by the PUCT or that has interests that are directly or indirectly adverse to those of the PUCT.
- 11.3 **Notice of Conflict.** Contractor agrees to promptly notify the PUCT of any circumstance that may create a real or perceived conflict of interest, whether arising prior to or during the term of the contract. Contractor agrees to use its best efforts to resolve any real or perceived conflict of interest to the satisfaction of the PUCT. If Contractor fails to do so, it will be grounds for termination of this contract for cause, pursuant to Section 6.2 of this contract.
- 11.4 **Prohibited Employment.** Contractor agrees that it will not hire any person whose employment with Contractor would violate any of the employment restrictions in Texas Government Code Chapter 572 or Texas Utilities Code Chapter 12.

#### **Article 12. INDEMNIFICATION**

Contractor must indemnify, defend and hold harmless the PUCT, the State of Texas, and their officers, agents, employees, representatives, contractors, assignees, and designees from any and all liabilities, claims, suits, assessments, penalties, losses, damages, demands or causes of action, and all related costs, attorney fees and expenses of whatever kind or

nature asserted by a third party and occurring in any way incident to, arising out of, or in connection with acts or omissions of Contractor, its agents, employees and subcontractors, committed in the conduct of this contract. Contractor will have the obligation to undertake the defense of any such claim, process, or legal proceeding at Contractor's expense; provided, however, that the PUCT may participate in the defense with counsel of its own choosing. Any defense must be coordinated by Contractor with the Office of the Attorney General when Texas State Agencies are named defendants in any lawsuit. Contractor may not agree to any settlement without first obtaining concurrence from the Office of the Attorney General when Texas State Agencies are named defendants in any lawsuit. Contractor and the PUCT agree to furnish timely written notice to each other of any claim.

If all or any part of the deliverables of this contract is the subject of any claim, suit, or proceeding for infringement or misappropriation of any intellectual property right, Contractor may, and in the event of any adjudication that the deliverables or any part thereof infringes or misappropriates any patent, trademark, copyright, or trade secret, or if the licensing or use of any of the deliverables or any part thereof is enjoined, Contractor must, at its expense do one of the following things: (i) procure for PUCT the right under such patent, trademark, copyright or trade secret to fully use the deliverables or the affected part thereof; or (ii) replace the deliverable or affected part thereof with another non-infringing deliverable; or (iii) suitably modify the deliverable or affected part thereof to make it non-infringing.

## **Article 13. INSURANCE**

- 13.1 **Contractor Responsibility.** Contractor agrees to comply with all state and federal laws applicable to the liability and payment of Contractor and Contractor's employees, including laws regarding wages, taxes, insurances, and workers' compensation. Neither the PUCT nor the State of Texas will be liable to the Contractor, its employees, agents, or others for the provision of unemployment insurance and/or workers' compensation or any benefit available to a state employee.
- 13.2 **Minimum Insurance.** Contractor must, at its sole cost and expense, secure and maintain as a minimum, from the effective date of this contract and thereafter during the term of this contract and any renewals or extensions thereof, for its own protection and the protection of the PUCT and the State of Texas:
- a) commercial liability insurance, covering, at a minimum, the following categories of liability within the following limits: (i) bodily injury and property damage \$1,000,000 limit per occurrence, \$2,000,000 aggregate, (ii) medical expense \$5,000 limit per person, (iii) personal injury and advertising liability \$1,000,000 limit, (iv) products/completed operations \$2,000,000 aggregate, (v) damage to premises rented \$50,000 limit;
- b) automobile liability coverage for vehicles driven by Contractor's employees (\$500,000 per occurrence); and

- c) workers' compensation insurance in accordance with the statutory limits, as follows: (i) employer's liability \$1,000,000 each incident, (ii) disease \$1,000,000 each employee and \$1,000,000 policy limit.
- d) cyber incident coverage to include: privacy breach related legal expenses to review and determine responsibilities under privacy breach laws; expenses related to compliance with privacy law notification requirements; credit and identification monitoring for up to 12 months after a cyber incident; expenses related to forensic investigations to investigate a system intrusion into the Contractor's computer system; and expenses to hire a public relations firm for public communications response.

The PUCT and the State of Texas must be named an additional insured on the commercial liability and automobile policies.

Insurance coverage must be from companies licensed by the State of Texas to provide insurance with an "A" rating from A.M. Best and authorized to provide the corresponding coverage.

13.3 Certificates of Insurance. Contractor must furnish to the PUCT certificates of insurance and any applicable endorsements, signed by authorized representatives of the surety or insurers, of all such bonds and insurance and confirming the amounts of such coverage within ten (10) days of the effective date of this contract, and upon request thereafter. Contractor must provide the PUCT contract administrator with timely renewal certificates as the coverage renews. Failure to maintain such insurance coverage specified herein, or to provide such certificates or endorsements promptly, will constitute a material breach of this Contract. Contractor must provide thirty (30) days written notice of any notice for renewal and/or cancellation of insurance.

#### **Article 14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

The Parties agree to resolve disputes arising under this contract through the dispute resolution process provided for in Chapter 2260 of the Texas Government Code and Subchapter C of the PUCT Rules for Administrative Services.

## **Article 15. SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY**

The State of Texas and the PUCT do not waive sovereign immunity by entering into this contract and specifically retain immunity and all defenses available to them under the Constitution, the laws of the State of Texas, or the common law.

#### **Article 16. GOVERNING LAW**

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this contract, this contract will be deemed entered into in the State of Texas and will be governed by, construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas that apply to contracts executed in and performed entirely within the State of Texas, without reference to any rules of conflict of laws. The Parties consent to the exclusive jurisdiction of the State of Texas. The Parties hereby submit to the jurisdiction of the courts located in, and venue is hereby stipulated to, the state courts located in Travis County, Texas. Each Party stipulates that it is subject to the jurisdiction of the courts located in Travis County, Texas, for any cause of action arising from any act or omission in the performance of

this contract. Further, each Party hereby waives any right to assert any defense to jurisdiction being held by the courts located in Travis County, Texas, for any cause of action arising from any act or omission in the performance of this contract.

## **Article 17. COMPLIANCE WITH LAW**

- 17.1 **General.** Contractor must comply with all federal, state, and local laws, executive orders, regulations, and rules applicable at the time of performance. Contractor warrants that all Services sold hereunder will have been produced, sold, delivered, and furnished in strict compliance with all applicable laws and regulations to which they are subject, including, but not limited to, Equal Employment Opportunity laws. All laws and regulations required in agreements of this character are hereby incorporated by this reference.
- 17.2 **Taxes.** Contractor agrees to comply with any and all applicable state tax laws that may require any filing with and/or payment to the State of Texas as a result of any action taken as a result of this contract.
- 17.3 **Workers' Compensation.** Contractor agrees that it will be in compliance with applicable state workers' compensation laws throughout the term of this contract and any renewals or extensions thereof.
- 17.4 **Conflicts.** Contractor agrees to abide by the requirements of and policy directions provided by the Texas statutes and the rules and regulations of the PUCT. Contractor agrees to inform and consult with the PUCT when further interpretations or directions are needed in order to fully implement the rules and regulations of the PUCT. In the event that Contractor becomes aware of inconsistencies between this Contract and a Texas statute or PUCT rule, Contractor will so advise the PUCT immediately and will cooperate fully to revise applicable provisions of this contract as necessary.
- 17.5 **Compliance with Deceptive Trade Practices Act.** Contractor must comply with Texas Business and Commerce Code Chapter 17.
- 17.6 **Compliance with Americans with Disabilities Act.** Contractor must comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. Chapter 126.
- 17.7 **Prohibited Use of Appropriated/Other Funds.** Contractor must comply with Texas Government Code Sections 556.005 and 556.0055 related to prohibited uses of appropriated and other funds.
- 17.8 **Certificate of Interested Parties Form.** At the time Contractor submits a signed contract to the PUCT, Contractor must submit a "Certificate of Interested Parties" form to the PUCT and file the form with the Texas Ethics Commission. The form and instructions for filing the form can be found at: <a href="https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/tec/1295-Info.htm">https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/tec/1295-Info.htm</a>. Contractor must not perform any work under the contract, nor receive any compensation prior to filing the form with the Texas Ethics Commission.

# **Article 18. CONTRACTOR'S CERTIFICATION**

By accepting the terms of this Contract, Contractor certifies that, to the extent applicable, it is in compliance with the following requirements and prohibitions. Contractor understands and agrees that a false certification may lead to termination of this contract for cause.

- 18.1 **Prohibitions on Gifts.** Contractor has not given, offered to give, nor intends to give at any time hereafter any economic opportunity, future employment, gift, loan, gratuity, special discount, trip, favor, or service to a public servant in connection with this contract.
- 18.2 **Delinquent Obligations.** Contractor is not currently delinquent in the payment of any franchise or sales tax owed to the State of Texas and is not delinquent in the payment of any child support obligations under applicable state law.
- 18.3 **Terrorist Financing.** The PUCT is federally mandated to adhere to the directions provided in the President's Executive Order (EO) 13224, Executive Order on Terrorist Financing Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism, effective 9/24/2001 and any subsequent changes made to it, via cross referencing proposers/vendors with the Federal General Services Administration's System for Award Management (SAM), <a href="https://www.sam.gov/">https://www.sam.gov/</a>, which is inclusive of the United States Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) Specially Designated National (SDN) list.

## http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx

Contractor certifies that the Contractor and its principals are eligible to participate in this transaction and have not been subjected to suspension, debarment, or similar ineligibility determined by any federal, state or local governmental entity and that Contractor is not listed on the federal government's terrorism watch list as described in Executive Order 13224. Entities ineligible for federal procurement are listed at: <a href="https://www.sam.gov/">https://www.sam.gov/</a>

Contractor further certifies that it is not engaged in business with Iran, Sudan, or a foreign terrorist organization as prohibited by Section 2252.152 of the Texas Government Code.

- 18.4 **Antitrust.** Neither Contractor nor anyone acting for Contractor has violated the antitrust laws of this state, codified in Section 15.01, et seq. of the Texas Business and Commerce Code or the Federal Antitrust Laws, nor has Contractor or anyone acting for Contractor communicated directly or indirectly to any competitor or any other person engaged in such line of business for the purpose of obtaining an unfair price advantage.
- 18.5 **Family Code.** Contractor has no principal who is ineligible to receive funds under Texas Family Code Section 231.006 and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment may be withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 18.6 **Prohibited Compensation.** Contractor has not received compensation from the PUCT, or any agent, employee, or person acting on the PUCT's behalf for participation in the preparation of this contract.
- 18.7 **Government Code.** Under Texas Government Code Section 2155.004, Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this contract is not ineligible to receive the

specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and/or payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.

- 18.8 **Outstanding Obligations.** Payments due under the contract will be applied towards any debt that is owed to the State of Texas, including but not limited to delinquent taxes and child support.
- 18.9 Contracting with Executive Head of State Agency. Contractor certifies this contract is in compliance with Texas Government Code Section 669.003 relating to contracting with the executive head of a State agency. If Texas Government Code Section 669.003 applies, bidder will provide the following information in order for the bid to be evaluated: Name of Former Executive; Name of State Agency; Date of Separation from State Agency; Position with Bidder; and Date of Employment with Bidder.
- 18.10 **Buy Texas.** Contractor will comply with Texas Government Code Section 2155.4441, pertaining to service contracts regarding the use of products produced in the state of Texas.
- 18.11 **Hurricane Recovery.** Under Texas Government Code Section 2155.006 and 2261.053, Contractor certifies that the individual or business entity named in this proposal is not ineligible to receive the specified contract and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated, and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 18.12 **E-Verify.** Contractor certifies and ensures that it utilizes and will continue to utilize, for the term of this Contract, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's E-Verify system to determine the eligibility of:
- 1. All persons hired to perform duties within Texas, during the term of the contract; and
- 2. All persons (including subcontractors) hired by the proposer to perform work pursuant to the contract, within the United States of America.

The Contractor must provide, upon request of PUCT, an electronic or hardcopy screenshot of the confirmation or tentative non-confirmation screen containing the E-Verify case verification number for attachment to the Form I-9 for the three most recent hires that match the criteria above, by the Contractor, and Contractor's subcontractors, as proof that this provision is being followed.

If this certification is falsely made, the contract may be immediately terminated, at the discretion of the state and at no fault to the state, with no prior notification. The Contractor will also be responsible for the costs of any re-solicitation that the state must undertake to replace the terminated contract.

This term should not be construed to require Contractor to utilize E-Verify to determine the eligibility of existing employees, or otherwise use E-Verify in violation of the law.

18.13 **Debarred Vendors List.** Contractor certifies that it is not on the Debarred Vendors List located at <a href="http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/vendor\_performance/debarred/">http://www.window.state.tx.us/procurement/prog/vendor\_performance/debarred/</a>.

- 18.14 **COVID-19 Vaccine Passport Prohibition.** Contractor certifies that Contractor is not ineligible to receive this contract under Texas Health and Safety Code Section 161.0085.
- 18.15 **Human Trafficking Prohibition.** Contractor certifies that Contractor is not ineligible to receive this contract under Texas Government Code Section 2155.0061 and acknowledges that this contract may be terminated and payment withheld if this certification is inaccurate.
- 18.16 **Does Not Boycott Israel.** If Contractor is required to make a certification pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2270.002. Contractor certifies that Contractor does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel during the term of the contract resulting from this solicitation. If Contractor does not make that certification, Contractor certifies that it provided a statement to the PUCT, prior to signing this contract, stating why the certification is not required.
- 18.17 **Does Not Boycott Energy Companies.** If Contractor is required to make a certification pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2274.002, Contractor certifies that Contractor does not boycott energy companies and will not boycott energy companies during the term of the contract resulting from this solicitation. If Contractor does not make that certification, Contractor certifies that it provided a statement to the PUCT, prior to signing this contract, stating why the certification is not required.
- 18.18 **Does Not Discriminate Against Firearm Entities.** If Contractor is required to make a certification pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 2274.002, Contractor certifies that Contractor (1) does not have a practice, policy, guidance, or directive that discriminates against a firearm entity or firearm trade association and (2) will not discriminate during the term of the contract against a firearm entity or firearm trade association. If Contractor does not make that certification, Contractor must indicate so and state why the certification is not required.
- 18.19 **Data Management and Security Controls.** In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2054.138, Contractor certifies that it will comply with the security controls required under this contract and will maintain records and make them available to the PUCT as evidence of Contractor's compliance with the required controls.

## **Article 19. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

19.1 **Relationship of Parties.** Contractor is and will remain at all times an independent contractor, and nothing in this contract will be deemed to create a joint venture, partnership, employment, franchise, master-servant, or agency relationship between the Parties. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary, the Parties will have principal-agent relations as described in the Statement of Work. Except as expressly provided to the contrary elsewhere in this contract, no Party has any right or authority to act on behalf of another Party, nor to assume or create any obligation, liability or responsibility on behalf of another Party. Under no circumstances will the relationship of employer and employee be deemed to arise between the PUCT and Contractor's personnel. Contractor will be solely responsible for achieving the results contemplated by this contract, whether performed by Contractor, its agents, employees or subcontractors.

- 19.2 **Non-Exclusivity.** Nothing in this contract is intended nor will be construed as creating any exclusive arrangement between Contractor and PUCT. This contract will not restrict PUCT from acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources.
- 19.3 **Taxes and Statutory Withholdings.** Contractor acknowledges that it is not a PUCT employee but is an independent contractor. Accordingly, it is Contractor's sole obligation to report as income all compensation received by Contractor under the terms of this contract. Contractor is solely responsible for all taxes (federal, state, or local), withholdings, social security, unemployment, Medicare, Workers' Compensation insurance, and other similar statutory obligations (of any governmental entity of any country) arising from, relating to, or in connection with any payment made to Contractor under this contract. Contractor must defend, indemnify and hold the PUCT harmless to the extent of any obligation imposed by law on the PUCT to pay any tax (federal, state, or local), withholding, social security, unemployment, Medicare, Workers' Compensation insurance, or other similar statutory obligation (of any governmental entity of any country) arising from, relating to, or in connection with any payment made to Contractor under this contract. Further, Contractor understands that neither it nor any of its individual employees is eligible for any PUCT employee benefit, including but not limited to holiday, vacation, sick pay, withholding taxes (federal, state, local), social security, Medicare, unemployment or disability insurance, Workers' Compensation, health and welfare benefits, profit sharing, 401(k) or any employee stock option or stock purchase plans. Contractor hereby waives any and all rights to any such PUCT employment benefit.
- 19.4 **Notice.** Except as otherwise stated in this contract, all notices provided for in this contract must be (a) in writing, (b) addressed to a Party at the address set forth below (or as expressly designated by such Party in a subsequent effective written notice referring specifically to this contract), (c) sent by a national carrier with tracking capability (e.g. FedEx or Certified U.S. Mail), with proper postage affixed and (d) deemed effective upon the third Business Day after deposit of the notice with the carrier.

#### IF TO THE PUCT:

ATTENTION: Executive Director 1701 N. Congress Ave., 7th Floor

Austin, TX 78701

With copies to the PUCT contract administrator, and Gina Singleton, CTCD, CTCM, at the same address.

#### IF TO CONTRACTOR:

ATTENTION: Eric D. Seguin

Solix, Inc.

30 Lanidex Plaza West Parsippany, NJ 07054

19.5 **Headings.** Titles and headings of articles and sections within this contract are provided merely for convenience and must not be used or relied upon in construing this contract or the Parties' intentions with respect thereto.

- 19.6 **Export Laws.** Contractor represents, warrants, agrees and certifies that it (a) will comply with the United States Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (regarding, among other things, payments to government officials) and all export laws and rules and regulations of the United States Department of Commerce or other United States or foreign agency or authority and (b) will not knowingly permit any non-Party to directly or indirectly, import, export, re-export, or transship any intellectual property or any third Party materials accessed by Contractor during the course of this contract in violation of any such laws, rules or regulations.
- 19.7 **Preprinted Forms.** The use of preprinted forms, such as purchase orders or acknowledgments, in connection with this contract is for convenience only and all preprinted terms and conditions stated thereon are void and of no effect. The terms of this contract cannot be amended, modified, or altered by any conflicting terms, provisions, or conditions contained in a proposal or a preprinted form, such as purchase orders or acknowledgements. If any conflict exists between this Contract and any terms and conditions on a proposal, purchase order, acknowledgment, or other preprinted form, the terms and conditions of this Contract will govern.
- 19.8 **Specific Personnel.** Contractor has identified the personnel for this assignment ("Team"), as described in its proposal.

Contractor warrants that it will use its best efforts to avoid any changes to the Team during the course of this Contract. Should personnel changes occur during the term of this Contract or any extensions or renewals thereof, Contractor will recommend to the PUCT personnel with comparable experience and required qualifications and training. The PUCT must approve any change in personnel on this project in writing. Contractor must provide individuals qualified to perform the tasks assigned to such individual. At the PUCT's request, Contractor must remove from the project any individual whom the PUCT finds unacceptable for any reason in the PUCT's sole discretion. Contractor must replace such individual with another individual satisfactory to the PUCT as soon as practicable.

- 19.9 **No Felony Criminal Convictions.** Contractor represents and warrants that neither Contractor, nor any of its employees, agents, or representatives, including any subcontractors and employees, agents or representatives of such subcontractors, has been convicted of a felony criminal offense or that if such a conviction has occurred Contractor has fully advised PUCT of the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction.
- 19.10 **Publicity.** Contractor understands and agrees that the PUCT does not endorse any vendor, commodity, or service. Contractor understands and agrees that Contractor, its employees, representatives, other agents, or subcontractors may not issue any public disclosure, media release, advertisement, or publication without prior written approval of the PUCT: which pertains to this contract or any services or project to which this contract relates; or which pertains to any results or findings based on information provided, created, or obtained to fulfill the requirements of this contract; or which mentions the PUCT.
- 19.11 **No Third-Party Beneficiaries.** Nothing contained in the contract, either express or implied, is intended to confer on any person other than the Parties, or their respective

permitted successors, assigns, or transferees any interests, rights, remedies, obligations or liabilities.

19.12 **Prompt Payment.** All payments to Contractor by PUCT, any payments by Contractor to any subcontractor, and any payments by a subcontractor to any other person or entity that provides goods or services under this contract must be made in compliance with Chapter 2251 of the Texas Government Code, commonly known as the Texas Prompt Payment Act.

## **Article 20. NO IMPLIED WAIVER**

The failure of any party, at any time, to enforce a provision of this contract will not constitute a waiver of that provision; will not affect the validity of this contract or any part of it; and will not affect the right of any party to enforce each and every provision.

# **Article 21. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE**

In the event of conflicts or inconsistencies between the provisions of this contract and any attachment(s) and

exhibit(s), the following are given preference in the order listed below:

- 1) The General Terms and Conditions of this contract;
- 2) The Statement of Work;
- 3) The Request for Proposals, including any attachments and exhibits;
- 4) The Contractor's proposal.

# **Article 22. FORCE MAJEURE**

Neither the PUCT nor Contractor will be considered in default in the performance of its obligations under this contract to the extent that the performance of such obligations is prevented or delayed by any cause beyond the reasonable control of the affected party, which such party could not, by due diligence have avoided, including but not limited to acts of God, severe weather, explosions, riots, acts of war, or orders of legal authority. Such causes will not relieve either party of liability in the event of its failure to use due diligence to remedy the situation and remove the cause in an adequate manner, with all reasonable dispatch, and to give notice and full particulars of the same in writing to the other party as soon as possible after the occurrence of the cause that prevented or delayed performance of the obligations. If the event of Force Majeure continues for a period of more than one hundred and eighty (180) days, either party thereafter may terminate this contract upon giving at least ten (10) days prior written notice to the other party.

#### **Article 23. SEVERABILITY**

If any provision of this contract is held unlawful or otherwise unenforceable, that provision will be severed and deemed deleted and the remainder of this contract will continue in full force and effect, as if the provision had never existed.

## **Article 24. FUNDING OUT CLAUSE**

This contract is contingent upon the continued availability of funding. If funds become unavailable through lack of appropriations, legislative or executive budget cuts, amendment of

the Appropriations Act, state agency consolidations, or any other disruptions of current appropriations, provisions of Section 6.3 of this contract will apply. Any contract resulting from this solicitation is contingent upon the continued availability of lawful appropriations by the Texas Legislature. See Texas Constitution, Article III Section 49, State Debts; and Texas General Appropriations Act for the 2022-2023 Biennium, Article IX, Section 6.03, Excess Obligations Prohibited.

## **Article 25. DRUG FREE WORKPLACE POLICY**

Contractor must maintain a drug-free work environment policy. Contractor must enforce its drug-free work environment policy during the pendency of this contract. Contractor must provide the PUCT a copy of its drug-free work environment policy upon request.

## **Article 26. SUBSTITUTIONS**

Substitutions are not permitted without written approval of the PUCT.

#### **Article 27. RIGHT TO AUDIT**

Pursuant to Section 2262.154 of the Texas Government Code, the State Auditor may conduct an audit or investigation of Contractor or any other entity or person receiving funds from the state directly under this Contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract. The acceptance of funds by Contractor or any other entity or person directly under this contract or indirectly through a subcontract under this contract acts as acceptance of the authority of the state auditor, under the direction of the legislative audit committee, to conduct an audit or investigation in connection with those funds. Under the direction of the legislative audit committee, Contractor or any other entity that is the subject of an audit or investigation by the state auditor must provide the state auditor with access to any information the state auditor considers relevant to the investigation or audit. Contractor will ensure that this clause concerning the authority to audit funds received indirectly by subcontractors through the vendor and the requirement to cooperate is included in any subcontract awards.

#### **Article 28. SIGNATORIES**

The undersigned signatories represent and warrant that they have full authority to enter into this contract on behalf of the respective parties.

## **Article 29. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

This contract, including the Statement of Work, constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the parties regarding its subject matter and supersedes and merges all prior discussions, writings, negotiations, understandings, and agreements concerning the provision of these Services. Any terms and conditions attached to a solicitation will not be considered unless incorporated into this contract by specific reference.

In WITNESS WHEREOF both parties by their duly authorized representatives have executed this contract effective as of January 1, 2024.

The Public Utility Commission of Texas	Solix, Inc.
By:	By:
Thomas J. Gleeson	Eric D. Seguin
Executive Director	President and Chief Operating Officer
Date Signed:	Date Signed:

# ATTACHMENT A STATEMENT OF WORK

#### I. Introduction

## A. Summary

The contractor will serve as the Low-Income Discount Administrator (LIDA). The LIDA is responsible for managing the electric and telephone discount matching processes. This contract requires working closely with PUCT staff, representatives of Utility Service Providers that are providing discounts, and the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC).

## B. Background Information

- 1. Program-Defining Statutes and Rules
  - (i) Texas Utilities Code §§ 17.007 and 55.015 available at: http://www.puc.texas.gov/agency/rulesnlaws/statutes/statutes.aspx
  - (ii) 16 TAC §§ 25.45 and 26.412 available at: http://www.puc.texas.gov/agency/rulesnlaws/Default.aspx
  - (iii) 47 CFR Part 54
- 2. "Utility Service Providers" refers to the following three groups of entities:
  - (i) Traditional Telephone Service Providers ("Traditional TSPs") Telephone service providers (TSPs) which have Eligible Telecommunication Provider (ETP) status in the state of Texas that are either wireline or prepaid cellular offering discounts to subscribers on their monthly bill. Currently, there are 100 active Traditional TSPs in the Lifeline program.
  - (ii) Prepaid Telephone Service Providers ("Prepaid TSPs") TSPs which have Eligible Telecommunication Carrier (ETC) or Eligible Telecommunication Provider (ETP) status in the state of Texas that are designated for Lifeline purposes only, provide wireless service, and offer prepaid minutes in lieu of a monthly bill. Currently, there are 11 active Prepaid TSPs in the Lifeline program.
  - (iii) Retail Electric Providers (REPs) Entities that sell electric energy to retail customers in Texas and hold a certificate issued by the PUCT as required by Tex. Util. Code Sec. 39.352. Currently, there are 24 active REPs that have requested the Low-Income List.
- 3. Estimated Numbers For Contractor's convenience, this Statement of Work includes estimated volumes of work, estimated participating customers, and estimated numbers of Utility Service Providers. The number of applications and forms received, fulfillment items required to be sent, ID verifications required, calls received, subscribers to LIDA programs, and Utility Service Providers participating in LIDA programs is out of the control of the PUCT and is provided as an estimate only. These

- numbers may vary significantly from year to year. The PUCT does not guarantee any minimum or maximum number for any task.
- 4. File Structures the LIDA must use file structures that are consistent with those historically used by the LIDA in order to maintain ease of use for the Utility Service Providers. The file structures currently used can be found in Exhibit 2 to the RFP.
- 5. Currently online resources for the LIDA program can be found at: http://www.puc.texas.gov/consumer/lowincome/Solix.aspx.
- 6. Estimated Annual Volume of Subscribers on Input and Output Files
  - (i) Subscribers on Input Files received from TSPs and REPs: 88,915,020;
  - (ii) Subscribers on Input Files received from HHSC: 86,400,000
  - (iii) Subscribers on Output Files provided to TSPs and REPs: 9,394,680.

#### II. Services

- **A.** Creating and Maintaining Databases of Eligible Customers the LIDA must establish and maintain databases of eligible customers to perform the functions described in this Statement of Work.
- **B.** Application and Form Review the LIDA must review lifeline applications and required forms for LIDA applications that did not pass the application programming interface (API) system and determine whether the applications and forms along with backup documentation meet requirements for approval based on the criteria in state statute, PUCT rules, and FCC CFR requirements.
  - 1. Estimated annual lifeline application review volume is 113,100 forms;
  - 2. Estimated annual certification forms, household worksheets and supporting documentation review volume is 144,000 forms
- C. Requirements for processes to be used in providing LIDA services
  - 1. Overview
    - (i) Each month, on a predetermined date, the LIDA will receive the following:
      - a. The HHSC database of clients
      - b. Residential customer base files from each participating REP (provided through a secure file transfer protocol (FTP) website set up by the LIDA); and
      - c. Residential customer base files from each traditional TSP (provided through a secure FTP website set up by the LIDA).
    - (ii) The LIDA must eliminate duplicates and ineligible clients from the data they receive from HHSC, then add the current data for self-enrolled clients to create the final database of unique addresses to be used for that month.

- (iii) The LIDA must compare the unique list of address compiled from HHSC and self-enrollment data to the data files from Utility Service Providers to create the list of matching clients for that month.
- (iv) No later than the last day of each month, the LIDA must notify the REPs that the matching client files are ready to be downloaded.
- (v) No later than the first day of each month, the LIDA must notify all telephone service providers (Traditional and Prepaid) that the matching client files are ready to be downloaded.
- (vi) The LIDA must provide each Utility Service Provider a unique and secure user ID and password to access that Utility Service Provider's files.
- (vii) Individuals qualifying for discounts for Traditional TSP service through HHSC programs may cease to appear on the HHSC input list. The first month a previously qualifying customer does not appear on the HHSC input list, the LIDA must send the customer an application for self-enrollment and give the customer a two-month grace period status to receive the discount. If the customer fails to reenroll during the two-month grace period, the LIDA will remove them from the list of active benefit recipients, and they will not receive the discount unless and until they appear on the HHSC list again or submit a qualifying self-enrollment package.

#### 2. Self-Enrollment

- (i) Initial Self-Enrollment
  - a. The LIDA must send application packages in both English and Spanish to customers who contact the LIDA through the call center or online to request forms to enroll in the Lifeline program.
  - b. The LIDA must process the returned forms within 7 Business Days of receipt.
- (ii) Self-Enrollment Renewal Traditional TSP Customers
  - a. Traditional TSP customers are eligible for the State Lifeline discount for seven months from enrollment. The LIDA must review all customers' State eligibility during their 6<sup>th</sup> month and send renewal forms asking customers to re-apply for low-income benefits prior to the expiration of the seventh month.
  - b. The LIDA must process returned self-enrollment State renewal forms within seven Business Days of receipt.
  - c. Traditional TSP customers are also required to recertify annually for the federal discount.
- d. The LIDA must send Traditional TSP Customers receiving the federal Lifeline discount recertification forms via U.S. Mail that recertification is required prior to their anniversary date each year.
- e. The LIDA must send the notifications at least 60 days prior to the customer's federal lifeline anniversary each year.

- f. The LIDA must allow customers to recertify through mail, telephone-based interactive voice response (IVR), or online for the federal lifeline discount.
- g. Customers undergoing federal lifeline recertification who were previously found eligible via automated database checks but now cannot be so verified must submit documentation proving eligibility along with the recertification form
- h. The LIDA must process federal lifeline returned paper forms within seven Business Days of receipt. Online and IVR applications must be processed immediately.
- i. If a customer fails to recertify for the federal lifeline, the LIDA must remove the customer from the discount list.
- j. The LIDA must ensure customers who successfully recertify within the window for the federal lifeline remain on the discount list for the following year.
- (iii) Self-Enrollment Renewal Prepaid TSP Customers (federal lifeline only)
  - a. Prepaid TSP customers are required to recertify annually.
  - b. The LIDA must send Prepaid TSP Customers receiving the Lifeline discount recertification forms via U.S. Mail and notify the customer via SMS that recertification is required prior to their anniversary date each year.
  - c. The LIDA must send the notification at least 60 days prior to the customer's anniversary each year.
  - d. The LIDA must allow customers to recertify through mail, telephone-based interactive voice response (IVR), or online.
  - e. Customers undergoing recertification who were previously found eligible via automated database checks but now cannot be so verified must submit documentation proving eligibility along with the recertification form.
  - f. The LIDA must process returned paper forms within seven Business Days of receipt. Online and IVR applications must be processed immediately.
  - g. If a customer fails to recertify, the LIDA must remove the customer from the discount list.
  - h. The LIDA must ensure customers who successfully recertify within the window remain on the discount list for the following year.

## 3. Matching Criteria

#### (i) For REP Customers

- a. For each REP Customer, the LIDA must ensure each of the following items are compared and at least one category results in a match:
  - 1) Social Security Number (SSN) in enrollment list to SSN in REP customer list
  - 2) Name and mailing address in enrollment list to name and service address in REP customer
  - 3) Name and residence address in enrollment list to name and service address in REP customer list

- 4) SSN and mailing address in enrollment list to SSN and service address in REP customer list
- 5) SSN and residence address in enrollment list to SSN and service address in REP customer
  - i. Mailing and residence address match must include the full address and the full 5+4-digit zip code
  - ii. SSN match must exclude dummy entries such as "0000000000."

#### (ii) For TSP Customers

- a. For each TSP customer, the LIDA must ensure each of the following are compared and at least one category results in a match:
  - 1) SSN and first name in enrollment list to SSN and first name in TSP customer list.
  - 2) Last name and phone number in enrollment list to last name and phone number in TSP customer list.
  - 3) Name and mailing address in enrollment list to name and service address in TSP customer list.
  - 4) Name and residence address in enrollment list to name and service address in TSP customer list.
  - 5) Account holder match:
    - a. Last four of SSN (SSN4), Date of Birth (DoB) and First name or full name in enrollment list is same as in TSP customer list.
    - b. Service/Residence Address and full name is the same on both sides.
    - c. Service/Mail Address and full name is the same on both sides.
    - d. Phone number and full name is the same on both sides.
    - e. SSN4, DoB and first or last name is the same on both sides.
  - 6) Benefits Qualified Person match:
    - a. Phone number and last name are same but first name, SSN4, DoB are not the same on both sides.
    - b. Phone number and service/residence addresses are the same but full names, SSN4, DoB are not the same on both sides.
    - c. Phone number and service/mail address are the same but full names, SSN4, DoB are not the same on both sides.
  - 7) The Lifeline Discount Should be Provided to all Matching Customers
    - a. Mailing and residence address match must include the full address and the full 5+4-digit zip code.
    - b. SSN match must exclude dummy entries such as "000000000."
    - c. The LIDA must verify all self-enrollment records that have been matched to TSP records to confirm there is a valid, approved certification form in the database. To be valid, the certification form must be filled out completely and correctly and have been

- signed no earlier than three months prior to the approval of the application.
- d. The LIDA must review all records that have matched to ensure that only one discount is given per household unless the database contains an approved household worksheet that justifies multiple discounts in that household.
- e. The LIDA must use an address verification system that has been certified through the USPS's Coded Accuracy Support System (CASS) Certification process. Any address that fails the verification must be returned to the submitting TSP and a CASS failure letter must be sent to the customer.
- f. The LIDA must verify each ID associated with a customer record to ensure the ID is valid.
- g. All Prepaid TSP Customers must submit their customer information through the Near Real Time Application Programming Interface (NRT API) system.

## 4. Output files used or LIDA services

- (i) The LIDA must provide the following output files each month to Utility Service Providers for use in administering the discount programs:
  - a. Files provided to REPs
    - 1) Discount List of Customers File
  - b. Files provided to Traditional TSPs
    - 1) Discount List of Customers File "Discount" File with records of each customer that has passed all the matching criteria and has been approved for the discount program.
    - 2) De-Enrolled List of Customers File "De-enroll" File with records of each customer that will be removed from the program due to failing matching criteria. The De-Enrolled list of customer files must be posted daily for prepaid providers and monthly for traditional TSPs.
    - 3) CASS Failures File
    - 4) CASS Corrections File
    - 5) IVR Certifications File
    - 6) Customer Approved Forms which is a .pdf file of each certification, recertification, and IEH forms for approved customers.
    - 7) Rolling Recertification Outcome File
    - 8) Rolling Recertification Failed HHSC File

- c. Files provided to Prepaid TSPs
  - 1) Discount List of Customers File "Discount" File with records of each customer that has passed all the matching criteria and has been approved for the discount program.
  - 2) De-Enrolled List of Customers File "De-enroll" File with records of each customer that will be removed from the program due to failing matching criteria.
  - 3) CASS Failures File
  - 4) CASS Corrections File
  - 5) IVR Certifications File
  - 6) Rolling Recertification Initial File
  - 7) Rolling Recertification Outcome File
  - 8) Customer Approved Forms which is a .pdf file of each certification, recertification, and IEH forms for approved customers.
  - 9) Daily Activity Return Report-Detail
  - 10) Daily Activity Return Report-Summary
  - 11) Daily Active Customer Report
- d. Files provided to USAC
  - 1) Monthly Snapshot file this includes all customer eligible for the monthly federal discount which includes customer and provide detail.
  - 2) Weekly ACP file any new Federal enrollments added to lifeline after the monthly snapshot file has been posted.

#### **D.** Online Resources

- 1. The LIDA must maintain and update a webpage with information regarding the LIDA programs.
  - (i) The webpage must include frequently asked questions (FAQ), which the LIDA must monitor and update as necessary to ensure they are relevant and up to date.
  - (ii) The LIDA is responsible for maintain the LIDA webpage and FAQs, and updating the site as needed. The site must provide means for users to submit questions. The LIDA must post FAQs and answers in English and Spanish.
  - (iii) A copy of the current FAX webpage can be found on the PUCT website at: <a href="http://www.puc.texas.gov/consumer/lowincome/Solix.aspx">http://www.puc.texas.gov/consumer/lowincome/Solix.aspx</a>.
- 2. The LIDA must provide a website which can be used by Texas residents to apply for or renew lifeline discounts. Customers must be able to complete the following tasks using the website:
  - (i) Submit a new application for Lifeline discounts
  - (ii) Request a paper application for Lifeline discounts
  - (iii) Submit a Certification Form

- (iv) Submit a Recertification Form
- (v) Submit a Household Worksheet Form
- (vi)Upload all program-related forms needed to complete the application
- 3. The LIDA must provide an online system for a Prepaid TSP to verify a potential customer's availability on demand.
  - (i) The LIDA is responsible for maintaining all necessary software and hardware for easy access and processing.
  - (ii) The LIDA must provide the verification service through an online Application Programming Interface (API) system for Prepaid TSPs to enroll customers and verify a potential customer's eligibility on demand.
  - (iii) All Prepaid TSPs are required to use the LIDA API system to determine phone and minute eligibility for Lifeline customers
  - (iv) The API system must allow TSPs to determine whether a customer is in the database of eligible customers provided to the LIDA from HHSC. If the customer is in the database, the system should indicate that the customer is automatically approved for a discount. If not, the system must queue the application for a manual "near real-time" (NRT) review. The manual NRT review goal is to be completed in under five minutes.
  - (1) There are three kinds of automatic reviews that may need NRT reviews:
    - (i) Eligibility Review If a customer is not found in the HHSC database, the Prepaid TSP will be asked by the system to submit eligibility supporting documentation. Once provided, live agents of the LIDA will review the documents and render a decision. The annual estimated number of Eligibility Reviews is 101,305.
    - (ii) ID Review If a customer is not found in the HHSC database, the system must perform ID verification of the customer using an ID verification and authentication service (for example, IDology or Lexus Nexus). If that check results in a failure, the system must prompt the Prepaid TSP to submit identity-supporting documentation. Once provided, live agents of the LIDA must review the documents and render a decision. The annual estimated number of ID Reviews is 843,026.
    - (iii)CASS Address Validation Review If a customer's address provided by the TSP fails CASS address validation, the system must prompt the TSP to submit address verification documentation. Once provided, live agents of the LIDA must review the documents and render a decision. The annual estimated number of CASS Address Validation Reviews is 4.329.
- (a) The API system must be compatible with a reasonable variety of technology used by TSPs to complete the application process.
- (b) Additional API's must be made available for carrier to perform the following functions:
  - 1. De-enroll customers who wish to disconnect their service, have not met usage requirements or who are deceased.
  - 2. Update customer name, address, telephone number, account number or service type.

- **E.** Fulfillment Operations the LIDA must manage all fulfillment operations
  - 1. The LIDA must develop and implement a method to notify applicants of their eligibility or denial of eligibility.
  - 2. All fulfillment materials must be provided in both English and Spanish.
  - 3. The following items must be produced and delivered by the LIDA to the appropriate customers:
    - Application Rejection Notices Letters to customers providing the reason(s) their Lifeline application was rejected and providing instructions for re-applying or disputing.
      - a. Application Rejection Notice content varies based on the reason for the rejection.
      - b. The total estimated number of rejection notices per year is 4,525.
    - Cass Failures Letters to customer whose address failed the CASS Validation. The annual estimated number of CSS Failure letters is 4,329.
    - Certification Form Review Rejection Letters to customers whose Certification Form review resulted in a rejection. The annual estimated number of Certification Form Review Rejection letters is 4,708.
    - Certification Plus Letters Letters to customers notifying them that their record has an incorrect social security number. The annual estimated number of Certification Plus Letters is 943.
    - Certification Plus Rejections Letters to customers notifying them that their Certification Plus review was rejected. The annul estimated number of Certification Plus Rejection letters is 19.
    - Certification Plus Resends Letters to customers that request another Certification Plus Form be mailed to them. The annual estimated number of Certification Plus Resend letters is 2.
    - Certification Resends Letters to customers who have requested another Certification Form or Household Worksheet be mailed to them. The annual estimated number of Certification Resend letters is 7.869.
    - Duplicative Discount Letters for Discounts on Multiple Telephone Numbers Letters to customers who have been identified as receiving a Lifeline discount on more than one telephone number. The annual estimated number of Duplicative discount Letters for Discounts on Multiple Telephone Numbers is 666.
    - Prepaid Duplicative Discount Letters for Discounts on Discounts on Multiple Telephone Numbers – Letters to Prepaid customers who have been identified as receiving a Lifeline discount on more than one telephone number. The annual estimated number of Duplicative Discount Letters for Discounts on Multiple Telephone Numbers is 691.

- Duplicative Discount Letters for Multiple Discounts in Household Letters to customers who have been identified as living in a household with more than one Lifeline discount. The annual estimated number of Duplicative Discount Letters for Multiple Discounts in Household is 194.
- Prepaid Duplicative discounts Letters for Multiple Discounts in Household Letters to customer who have been identified as living in a household with more than one lifeline discount. The annual estimated number of Prepaid Duplicative Discount Letters for Multiple Discounts in Household is 461.
- Duplicative Discount Letters for Social Security Number Letters to customers whose social security number has been identified as a possible duplicate across two or more different addresses. The annual estimated number of Duplicative Discount Letters for Social Security Number is 80.
- Prepaid Duplicative Discount Letters for Social Security Number Letters to customers who social security number has been identified as a possible duplicate across two or more different addresses. The annual estimated number of Prepaid Duplicative Discount Letters for Social Security Number is 122.
- Name, Address, or Name and Address Change Letters Letters to customers whose name, address, or name and address has changed in the Utility Service Provider file provided to the LIDA. The annual estimated number of Name, Address, or Name and Address Change Letters 6,250.
- New Application Package information sent to customers who have requested a Lifeline application to be delivered by mail. The annual estimated number of New Application Packages is 4,814.
- New Discount Letters Letters to customers who have been identified as eligible for the Lifeline discount through the HHSC process but who are not receiving the discount. The annual estimated number of New Discount Letters is 70,355.
- Renewal Notices letters to low-income customers asking them to recertify their qualification for the low-income program or programs prior to the expiration of the 7<sup>th</sup> month of receiving the discount. The annual estimated number of Renewal Notices is 39,355.
- Rolling Recertification Denials letters to prepaid wireless customers notifying them that their recertification form was denied upon review. The annual estimated number of Rolling Recertification Denial letters is 3,056.
- Rolling Recertification Renewal Notices letters to prepaid wireless customers notifying them it is time to renew their Lifeline benefit. The annual estimated number of Rolling Recertification Renewal Notices is 52,144.
- Rolling Recertification Resends letters to customers who request another Recertification Form be mailed to them. The annual estimated number of Rolling Recertification Resend letters is 474.

- Missing Certification Letters Letters sent to a customer who has only returned an application that has been approved. The annual estimated number of Missing Certification Letters is 200.
- USAC Reverification Letters letters sent to customers who have been reviewed in an audit and only supporting documentation is required. The annual estimated number of USAC Reverification letters is 5.
- 4. Exhibit 1 to the RFP is a table showing the required frequency and contents of each fulfillment item. This list may be changed through a written directive from the PUCT contract manager without amending the contract.
  - (i) Weekly fulfillment must be mailed each Monday, or the following Business Day, if Monday is a holiday.
  - (ii) Monthly fulfillment must be mailed within five Business Days of the first day of the month.
  - (iii)Daily fulfillment must be mailed within two (2) Business Days, or the following Business Day if a Business Day happens to fall on a postal holiday.

#### F. Customer Service

- 1. The LIDA must manage the LIDA call center.
  - (i) The call center must be operational 24 hours per day, 7 days per week.
    - a) Both English and Spanish speaking operators must be always available.
    - b) The call center must not close for any holidays.
    - c) The call center must be physically located in Texas.
  - (ii) Call center operators must:
    - a) Answer telephone calls from customers with questions or concerns about benefits programs; and
    - b) Resolve customer eligibility issues.
  - (iii)English and Spanish speaking agents must be always available.
  - (iv) The LIDA call center must also offer an IVR System for Texas residents to complete application and certification-related tasks. The IVR System must:
    - a) Have the capability to guide customer through options.
    - b) Allow customers to complete and accept the following forms using voice or numeric commands:
      - Certification Form
      - Recertification Form
      - Household Worksheet
    - c) If the system is not able to complete the request, the call must be answered by a live call center agent who must have appropriate system access to complete the customer's request.

- (v) All calls must be recorded and stored for a minimum of 4 months. If any call recording is subject to an open records request, an audit, a subpoena, or other legal requirement to retain the recording, the recording must be retained until the requirement mandating its retention ends. The LIDA may also be required to retain recorded calls as directed by the PUCT.
- (vi) Estimated annual calls to the Call Center are as follows:
  - (a) 94,915 English-language calls, totaling an estimated 706,949 minutes.
  - (b) 9,047 Spanish-language calls, totaling an estimated 71,812 minutes.
- The LIDA must provide a point of contact or points of contact for the Utility Service Providers for technical questions relating to the matching process and customer complaints.
- 2) The LIDA must notify all applicants of their eligibility or ineligibility.
- 3) The LIDA must resolve any problems with the matching process.
- 4) The LIDA must coordinate with the Texas HHSC to establish the processing schedule for file exchange with the Utility Service Providers for each fiscal year (September 1 through August 31) by the end of July, except that Contractor is required to follow the processing schedule for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 2023, which was set prior to the beginning of this contract.
- 5) The LIDA must provide Traditional TSPs the data necessary to complete the FCC Form 555 each year.
- 6) The LIDA must provide an SMS Text service for customers of prepaid wireless carriers to notify customers when they become eligible for the annual recertification process. The recertification window is open for each customer for a period of 60 days. The number texts for 2022 was 116,644.
  - (i) The system must send automated texts on the following days:
    - a. Day 1 of the customer's recertification window
    - b. Day 20 of the customer's recertification window
    - c. Day 45 of the customer's recertification window
  - (ii) LIDA must propose standard text message content to PUCT Contract Administrator and get approval for the content of the automated texts.
  - 7) The LIDA must carry out special projects, as directed by the PUCT. For example, the PUCT may request a mass-mailing of self-enrollment forms. Per-page pricing for ad hoc mailouts will be as proposed by the Contractor.

## **G.** Compliance

- 1. The LIDA must provide an annual Statement on Standards for Attestation Engagements (SSAE) audit of the LIDA's administration of the LIDA programs.
  - (i) The audit must cover:
    - (a) The LIDA's standard operating procedures for its LIDA programs.
    - (b) The LIDA's network security as it pertains to handling confidential information received from HHSC.

- (c) The LIDA's compliance with Section 18.12 of the contract's General Terms and Conditions, pertaining to the LIDA's use of E-Verify.
- (i) The audit must be completed to the current SSAE standard as of its date of completion.
- (ii) The timeframe examined for each audit will be the prior fiscal year.
- (iii) The audit for each fiscal year must be completed by the last Business Day of March of the following fiscal year (e.g., for the 2023 Fiscal Year, the audit must be completed by March 31, 2024).
- 2. The LIDA must complete a cybersecurity training program certified under <u>Tex. Gov</u>'t. Code Section 2054.519 and selected by the PUCT by 12/31/2024, report the completion of the course to the PUCT Contract Administrator, and provide any documentation identified by the Contract Administrator to verify completion.
- 3. The LIDA must ensure the Lifeline Discount process meets the State of Texas and Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulations.
- 4. The LIDA must timely respond to requests for information from PUCT, Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), the FCC, and TSPs performing audits.
- 5. The LIDA must provide a random monthly sample of all eligible Federal discounts selected by USAC verifying all data points and forms used to qualify new customer enrollments to USAC. The typical count averages 380 records but can vary. Samples are generally provided on the first week discounts are provided and are due around the 20<sup>th</sup> day of the month.
- 6. The LIDA must provide a random monthly sample of all eligible State or Federal discounts selected by the PUCT verifying the eligibility for newly enrolled customers to the PUCT.
- 7. The LIDA must also provide USAC with annual Payment Quality Assurance (PQA) audit detail verifying the eligibility for the specific snapshot month supporting the selected carriers' monthly lifeline claims. Approximately 1,700 records are selected annually.
- 8. The LIDA will also be required to provide USAC, FCC, or individual carriers with any support required for Beneficiary and Contributor Audit Program (BCAP) or Biennial audit.
- 9. The LIDA will receive a monthly file from USAC that includes potentially deceased customers. Any customer on the list currently receiving the lifeline discount will need to be mailed a letter with instructions on how to resolve the finding. If the LIDA does not receive a response from a customer in 37 days, the customer must be de-enrolled from the program.

## III. Confidentiality and Information Security

- A. Contractor must maintain confidentiality and security of confidential information related to the contract, including benefit recipients' personal information.
- B. In order to evaluate beneficiaries' eligibility for benefits, the LIDA will need to receive information from the Texas HHSC. HHSC provides this information to the PUCT and the LIDA pursuant to a Data Use Agreement (DUA). As PUCT's subcontractor, the LIDA will be required to sign a Subcontractor Agreement Form that obligates the LIDA to comply with the terms of PUCT's DUA with HHSC. The current DUA and Subcontractor Agreement Form are included as Exhibit 4 to the RFP. HHSC will also require the LIDA to complete an Initial Security Evaluation before accessing HHSC's information.
- C. The LIDA must sign HHSC's Subcontractor Agreement Form and complete the Initial Security Evaluation within the first ten calendar days after the effective date of the contract. Failure to sign the Subcontractor Agreement Form or complete the Initial Security Evaluation within ten calendar days of the effective date of the contract is cause for termination of the contract.

## IV. Record-keeping, Information Access, and Invoices

#### A. Record Keeping

- 1. In addition to the requirements in Section 2.6 of this contract's General Terms and Conditions relating to records, the LIDA must generate and store certain PDF images:
  - (i) Scanning from paper records: The LIDA must scan each paper application, supporting documentation, certification form and household worksheet form received and store them as .pdf files. The scanned images must be linked to the customer record in the LIDA system for review. The scanned images must be maintained by the LIDA for the duration of the contract and transferred to either the PUCT or a new vendor when the contract ends, at the PUCT's discretion.
  - (ii) Storage of paper records: Paper records must be retained for seven years after the contract ends.
  - (iii)System-generated images: The LIDA must provide the ability to generate .pdf images from the data captured via website or NRT submissions. The .pdf images must be generated for each application, certification, and household worksheet. The images must be linked to the customer record in the LIDA system for review. The system generated images must be maintained by the LIDA for the

- duration of the contract and transferred to either the PUCT or a new vendor when the contract ends, at the PUCT's discretion.
- (iv) The electronic images must be stored in an encrypted format. The LIDA must provide the PUCT with tools to view the historical images.
- 2. The PDF images of this data will contain PII information and must be stored in an encrypted format.
- 3. The LIDA must provide the PUCT Contract Administrator with tools to view the historical images.
- 4. The LIDA must retain and provide PUCT access, upon request, to all previous years' PDF images.

#### B. Information Access

- 1. The LIDA must provide the PUCT the following access to information:
- (i) Access to all files received from and sent to the Utility Service Providers relating to the monthly matching process;
- (ii) Read-only access to all information in the call center database; and
- (iii) Access to review call center recordings.
  - 2. The LIDA must provide the PUCT a secure means of accessing information. Information available to the PUCT via secure access must include archived information, such as previously requested reports, and all information shared on a scheduled or ad hoc basis.
  - C. The LIDA must deliver PUCT-approved reports by the 10<sup>th</sup> working day of the month for the previous month's business. If the 10<sup>th</sup> Business Day of the month falls on a weekend, the reports are due on the last Business Day before the weekend. Sample Reports are included in Exhibit 3 to the RFP. Reports required include:
- 1. Enrollment Summary This provides details on various topics regarding the month end process, applications processed by LIDA, requests for forms or letters, and the number of applications received including how they were submitted.
- 2. LIDA Operations Rejection Code Summary This provides a breakdown of all rejection reasons processed during the month.
- 3. LIDA Operations TSP Summary This is a breakout of the monthly file processing for telecom companies. It provides number or records submitted, rejected, and counts of records that were matched for a discount. It also provides detail if they submitted on time and the percentages of errors within files.

- 4. Texas LIDA 6-month TSP Rolling Report This provides a list of self-enrollment records that are expiring in the next 6 months by carrier.
- 5. LIDA Operations TSP Breakout by Discount Type Report This is a breakout list of telephone providers by discount type of federal, state, or both.
- 6. Monthly Call Reason Report This breaks out the topic of the call and gives counts by those categories. The data is separated into individual weeks.
- 7. Monthly Report by ZIP Code This breaks out call center calls received by each zip code and city.
- 8. Call Center Call Time Report This reports on calls received, answered, or abandoned, and provides detail on talk time, time to answer, and duration of calls.
- 9. Verification of all mailed letters Weekly and Monthly reports showing the breakdown of letter types and dates the vendor received and mailed the requested letters.
- 10. LIDA Production Confirmations Verification of the number of Applications, Certification Forms, and Household Worksheets Processed, and Verification of Call Center minutes.
- 11. Performance Report Verification that applications and letters produced met their objective timeframe.
- 12. LIDA Operations REP Summary This is a breakout of the monthly file processing for electric companies. It provides number of records submitted, rejected, and matched for a discount. It also provides detail if they were submitted on time and the percentages of errors within files.
- 13. LIDA BRM Postage Account Detail provides running total postage amount and count each month and deposit amounts.
- 14. Any other reports the PUCT reasonably determines are necessary to fulfill or verify the purpose of this contract by the Contract Administrator.

#### V. Liquidated Damages and Corrective Actions

- A. If the LIDA breaches this agreement by failing to meet deadlines, the benefits received by individuals under the LIDA programs could be compromised, resulting in impediments to PUCT functions, damage to PUCT's reputation, and additional work for PUCT staff to remedy problems caused by the LIDA's breach. Damages to the PUCT resulting from the LIDA's failure to timely meet its obligations would be difficult to calculate in advance or at the time of breach, so this contract includes the following liquidated damages to be paid to the PUCT, as specified, if the following deadlines are missed.
- 1. The LIDA must deliver its Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) to the PUCT annually by December 15, regardless of whether there were changes to the procedure from the previous year. If the LIDA fails to provide the SOPs to the PUCT by the due date, The LIDA must pay

PUCT an initial \$5,000 in liquidated damages, plus \$1,000 per day for each day after the due date until the SOPs have been delivered.

- 2. The LIDA must have a Disaster Recovery Plan and Business Continuity Plan in place. The LIDA must deliver a copy of each plan to the PUCT immediately upon contract execution when delivering the signed copy of the contract. The LIDA must provide an updated copy of each plan annually by December 15. The LIDA's plans must include, or be provided simultaneously with, the Disaster Recovery and Business Continuity Plans of each subcontractor, if applicable. If the LIDA fails to provide all plans on the due date, the LIDA must pay PUCT an initial \$5,000 in liquidated damages, plus \$1,000 per day for each day after the due date until all plans have been delivered.
- 3. The LIDA must propose a processing schedule by July 31 of each year for the following fiscal year to the PUCT's Contract Administrator and adhere to the approved processing schedule posted on the PUCT website. The processing schedule for the 2024 fiscal year (beginning September 1, 2023) was set prior to the beginning of the 2024 fiscal year and must be followed. If the LIDA fails to provide the output files to the utilities on the dates specified in the processing schedule, the LIDA must pay PUCT an initial \$5,000 in liquidated damages, plus \$1,000 per day for each day after the due date until the files have been provided.
- 4. The LIDA must ensure PUCT receives each monthly report described in Section IV.C. of this Statement of Work by the deadline specified in that section. In any month in which at least one report is late, the LIDA must pay the PUCT an initial \$5,000 in liquidated damages, plus \$1,000 per day after the deadline until all reports are received. If the LIDA must correct a report after the due date of the report, the report will be deemed received on the date the corrected report is received and liquidated damages will apply as if the original report was received on that date.
- 5. The LIDA must mail each fulfillment item in the amount of time required by Section II.E.4 of this Statement of Work. If the LIDA fails to mail fulfilment items in the allotted time, the LIDA must pay PUCT liquidated damages of \$25,000 per instance, plus \$1,000 per day for each day after the due date until all items have been sent.
- 6. The LIDA must process at least 97% of applications or forms within 7 Business Days of receipt. If the LIDA fails to meet the 7-business-day deadline, the LIDA must pay PUCT liquidated damages of \$500 per application or form per day.
  - B. The PUCT may waive liquidated damages at the Contract Administrator's discretion. Waiver of liquidated damages in one instance does not constitute a waiver of the PUCT's right to collect liquidated damages in any other instances.
  - C. Liquidated damages under this contract are not PUCT's exclusive remedy. Please see Article 6, Term and Termination for more information about damages and remedies for breach of this contract.

### VI. Additional Contract Requirements and Information

- A. The LIDA must scan all self-enrollment applications and back-up documentation for self-enrollment applications received.
- B. The LIDA must provide PUCT access to all applications, certifications, and Household Worksheet forms.
- C. The LIDA must be prepared to make any necessary changes to their database to meet PUCT needs or legislative requirements. This must be included in the LIDA's operational costs. The PUCT will not be responsible for additional charges for database changes.
- D. The LIDA must be prepared to meet with the PUCT Contract Manager in Austin, Texas, three times per year. PUCT will not pay travel expenses or other additional charges related to these meetings.

## **Exhibit 1 -FULFILLMENT REQUIREMENTS**

Below is a summary of the LIDA's current required mail-outs, their frequency, and their required contents (i.e. letter, application, certification form, or household worksheet). This list is subject to change upon PUCT approval.

Туре	Frequency	Letter	Application	Cert. Form	HHWS	Identity and Alive Status	Affidavit No Income
Application Rejection Notices  *Note: Depending on the reason for rejection, Application Rejections may require any combination of the following: Application, Certification Form, Household Worksheet, Identity and Alive Status form, Affidavit No Income form. All application rejections will require a letter.	Weekly	Yes	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*	Yes*
New Form Request (NFR)	Weekly		Yes	Yes			
Certification Rejection (CTR)	Weekly	Yes		Yes	Yes		
Certification Resend (CRL)	Weekly	Yes		Yes	Yes		
Certification PLUS Soft Denial Letter (CPSFTDNL)	Daily	Yes		Yes			
Certification PLUS Resend Letter (CPRL)	Daily	Yes		Yes			

Certification Plus Resend Letter (CPDRL)	Daily					
Soft Denials (SFTDNL)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
Resend Requests (RREQ)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
Multi-Discount (MDL)	Monthly	Yes		Yes		
Prepaid Multi-Discount (MDLP)	Daily	Yes				
Single Discount (SDL)	Monthly	Yes		Yes		
Prepaid Single Discount (SDLP)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
New Discount (NDL)	Monthly	Yes		Yes		
Renewal (REN)	Monthly	Yes	Yes			
Name & Address Change (NAC)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
Address change (ADC)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
Name Change (NMC)	Daily	Yes		Yes		
Incorrect Address (CASS)	Daily	Yes				

Social Security (SSN)	Monthly	Yes	Yes		
Prepaid Social Security (SSNP)	Daily	Yes	Yes		
Certification Plus Letter (CPL)	Monthly	Yes	Yes		
Certification Plus Deceased Letter (CPDL)	Monthly	Yes	Yes		
Rolling Recert (AFRECERT)	Monthly	Yes	Yes		
PUCT Annual Mailing	Annual	Yes			
Certification Data Update (CDU)	Intermittent	Yes	Yes		
Missing Certification Letter (MCL)	Weekly	Yes	Yes		
USAC Reverification Letters (SDOL)	Monthly	Yes			

## **Exhibit 2 -FILE STRUCTURE**

## I. Current File Format Information for HHSC Files

# A. Table 1. HHSC Record Layout

FIELD NAME	SIZE	POSITION NUMBERS
PTCO-TELCO-RECORD		001-300
PTCO-ID-NUMBER	ALPHA 09	001-009
PTCO-ACTION	ALPHA 01	010-010
FILLER	ALPHA 02	011-012
PTCO-TDHS-STATUS- MMDDYY	NUMER 08	013-020
PTCO-NAME	ALPHA 22	021-042
PTCO-SSN	NUMER 09	043-051
FILLER	ALPHA 13	052-064
PTCO-MAIL-LINE1	ALPHA 22	065-086
PTCO-MAIL-LINE2	ALPHA 24	087-110
PTCO-MAIL-CITY	ALPHA 16	111-126
PTCO-MAIL-ST	ALPHA 02	127-128
PTCO-MAIL-ZIP	NUMER 05	129-133
PTCO-MAIL-ZIP-=PLUS	NUMER 04	134-137
PTCO-RES-STREET	ALPHA 30	138-167
PTCO-RES-CITY	ALPHA 16	168-183
PTCO-RES-ST	ALPHA 02	184-185
PTCO-RES-ZIP	NUMER 05	186-190
PTCO-RES-ZIP-PLUS	NUMER 04	191-194
PTCO-BILL-NAME	ALPHA 22	195-216
PTCO-ACCT-SSN	NUMER 09	217-225
PTCO-CERT-NXX-AC	NUMER 03	226-228
PTCO-CERT-NXX-XCHNG	NUMER 03	229-231
PTCO-CERT-NXX-NR	NUMER 04	232-235

FILLER	ALPHA 23	236-258
PTCO-COUNTY	NUMER 03	259-261
FILLER	ALPHA 09	262-270
PTCO-BIRTH-DATE	NUMER 08	271-278
PTCO-PROGTYPE	ALPHA 03	279-281
PTCO-BASE-PLAN	ALPHA 02	282-283
FILLER	ALPHA 17	284-300

## **B.** Table 2. HHSC Field Descriptions

FIELD	DESCRIPTION
PTCO-ID-NUMBER	Client Number derived in the SAVERR database <sup>2</sup> .
PTCO-ACTION	Type of transaction (A = add, D = delete)
PTCO-TDHS-STATUS-MMDDYY	Processing date of the file.
PTCO-NAME	The client name in LAST, FIRST MIDDLE format. The suffix (JR, SR, III, etc.) if any is placed between LAST and comma. The first blank occurs after the first name.
PTCO-SSN	The client's social security number.
PTCO-MAIL-LINE-1	The first line of the client's mailing address according to categorical records or the application form.
PTCO-MAIL-LINE-2	The second line of the client's mailing address according to categorical records or the application form.
PTCO-MAIL-CITY	The city of the client's mailing address according to categorical records or the application form.
PTCO-MAIL-ST	The state of the client's mailing address according to categorical records or the application form.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> SAVERR is HHSC's database. Contractor will be provided access to the necessary information from this database in order to perform duties under the contract.

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PTCO-MAIL-ZIP	The zip code of the client's mailing address according to categorical records or the application form.
PTCO-MAIL-ZIP-PLUS	The plus-four zip code of the client's mailing address.
PTCO-RES-STREET	The client's residence street address. Spaces if residence and mailing address are identical. For LifeLine, the residence address information is gathered from SDX, FX, AND TANF case files.
PTCO-RES-CITY  PTCO-RES-ST	The client's city of residence. Spaces if residence and mailing address are identical. For LifeLine, the residence address information is gathered from SDX, FX, AND TANF case files.  The client's state of residence. Spaces if
1 TCO-RES-ST	residence and mailing address are identical. For LifeLine, the residence address information is gathered from SDX, FX, AND TANF case files.
PTCO-RES-ZIP	The zip code of the client's residence address.  Spaces if residence and mailing address are identical. For LifeLine, the residence address information is gathered from SDX, FX, AND TANF case files.
PTCO-RES-ZIP-PLUS	The plus-four zip code of the client's residence address. Spaces if residence and mailing address are identical. For LifeLine, the residence address information is gathered from SDX, FX, AND TANF case files.
PICOACCESN	l Security number taken from SAVERR. code for the certifying telephone number.

PTCO-CERT-NXX-AC

PTCO-CERT-NXX-SCHNG PTCO-CERT-NXX-NR

<u>Local exchange for the telephone number.</u> <u>Local extension or telephone number.</u>

PTCO-ADDL-NXX-FLAG

Flag indicating if the client has an additional telephone number.

PTCO-ADDL-NXX-AC

Area code for the additional contact number.

PTCO-ADDL-NXX-XCHANG

Local exchange for the additional telephone number. Zeroes means no additional phone or

	the telephone number of the additional phone is unknown.
PTCO-ADDL-NXX-NR	Local extension or number. Nines means the telephone number of the additional phone is unlisted.
PTCO-COUNTY	The county of residence of the client converted to standard numeric code (001-264).
PTCO-BIRTH-DATE	This field is the client's date of birth.
PTCO-PROG-TYPE	Type Program is a code which identifies the TDHS program under which benefits are provided.
PTCO-BASE-PLAN	Base Plan is a code, which identifies the TDHS base plan under which benefits are provided. Base Plan is used here to distinguish nursing home, institutionalized, etc. clients.
FILLER	Spaces.

## II. <u>Data Format Requirements For Electric Companies</u>

- A. Electric Company (REP, MOU, COOP) Input File Requirements
  - 1. General
  - 2. <u>Each REP, MOU or COOP participating in the LITEUP program must provide on a monthly basis a zip file containing two files</u>
    - (i) A list of their active residential customers (residing in the state of Texas) in a comma delimited text file
    - (ii) A separate control file showing the total number of rows residing in the text file
  - 3. The company is then responsible for FTP'ing the Zip file to the LIDA's FTP site ("Site location"). Secure FTP Login instructions will be provided in a separate document.
  - 4. Naming Convention Each file generated must follow a common naming convention as shown in Table 3.

## **Table 3. Naming Convention**

REP1nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl files)

REP1nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.txt

REP1nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.ctrl

The suffix nar	ning convention is:
.txt	Identifies the residential customer list
.ctrl	Identifies the control file
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files
REP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs. Whether your company is a REP, MOU or COOP please set this to a value of 'REP'
1nnnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating REP,  MOU or COOP. This number will be provided to the REP, MOU or COOP  under a separate document.
_	An underscore
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

5. Input File Requirements - The file generated must be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Input fields, descriptions, and examples are shown in Table 4.

## Table 4.

Input Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Name – Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones
		Jones III
		Jones Jr
Primary Name – First & Middle	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer. (See Note 1)	012345678

		(no dashes)
<b>Primary Telephone Number</b>	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	5121234567
	(includes area code). This is an optional field and should be provided if available.	(no dashes)
Service Address	The address receiving the service. If a street address is not available, the company should	123 Main St
	populate this field with whatever address is on file for that customer.	P.O. Box 123
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus. If there is a Zip	78701
	Code Plus, please place a hyphen between the Zip Code and the Zip Code Plus field.	78701-1234
ESI ID	The ESI ID assigned to the specified service address. We are requiring ESI IDs in the ERCOT format. No hyphens or other formatting characters should be used when transmitting the ESI Id electronically.	See Note 2
<b>Customer Account Number</b>	The account number assigned to this customer by the company. (See Note 3)	

Note 1: This is an optional field. If the company captures the SSN and can supply it, it will assist the LIDA during the matching process by providing more accurate match criteria.

Note 2: The following text is ERCOT's description of the ESI ID:

A unique number within Texas assigned to each point-of-service between the Utility and an end-use Customer, which once created and assigned shall not be re-issued, even in the event of termination of the associated point-of-service. The ESI Id will have the following format:

10xxxxxyyy...yy

Where:

10 represents a placeholder for future use

xxxxx is the 5-digit DOE Id Code for the [serving] OR [assigning] Utility

yyy...yy is up to 29 alphanumeric characters assigned by the Utility. Allowable alphanumeric characters are 0-9, A-Z, and the space character. The space character should only be used to right-pad the field when less than 29 characters are used. The total length of the ESI Id is 36 alphanumeric characters.

No hyphens or other formatting characters should be used when transmitting the ESI Id electronically.

Note 3: This is an optional field.

6. Sample Residential Customer List File Format (see Table 5).

#### Table 5.

Filename:	REP1nnnnnnn YYYYMM.txt
Sample Filename:	REP100012345_200901.txt
Record Format:	"Last Name","First Name","SSN","Tele Number","Address","City","Zip
	Code","ESI ID","Customer Account Number"

7. Sample Record Format (see Table 6.)

#### Table 6.

All Fields Populated	"SMITH","JOHN","123456789","5121234567","123 MAIN ST.","HOUSTON","78701-1234","10559804985739", "3ABC-18-9"
	JADC-10-9
Primary SSN and	"JONES","MARY","","5125551000","18 YORK
Customer Account	AVENUE","DALLAS","75201","123445992359049435",""
Number fields are not	
supplied (Notice the ""	
showing that the field is	
blank)	

8. Sample Control File Format – This file will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records found in the Residential Customer List (.txt file). For example, if the company generates a residential customer list to send to the LIDA containing 10,000 records, the control file would contain the value 10000 starting in position 1 of the record. (See Table 7.)

### Table 7.

Filename:	REP1nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.ctrl
Sample Filename:	REP100012345_200401.ctrl
Record Format:	99999999 (where 999999999 represents the total number of records in the .txt file)
Sample Record:	10000

- 9. Additional Examples of Correct Formats:
  - (i) Names: Middle name should be included in either First name or Last name without any quotes to it. Common mistakes in the first and last names are listed in Table 8. Correct format is also suggested.

#### Table 8.

Wrong Format	Right format
"Pat",""Martin"," III""	"Pat", "Martin III"
""Short"," M D"","James"	"Short M D","James"
"BLOCKER",""Ronnie" GEORGE"	"BLOCKER","Ronnie GEORGE"
"Ortiz "Cesar"", "Elizabeth"	"Ortiz Cesar", "Elizabeth"

(ii) Address fields: Some of the Address fields are provided with extra double quotes (") in the middle, or additional quotes at the beginning or end of the address field. Table 9 shows examples of the wrong and right formats respectively.

Table 9.

Wrong Format	Right format
"5101 North "A" Street, Apt. 218"	"5101 North A Street, Apt. 218"
"3301 N. "K" Center St"	"3301 N. K Center St"
""132 S Main St"	"132 S Main St"
"132 S Main St""	"132 S Main St"

(iii) Phone numbers: Phone numbers should not include special characters like (, ), - or spaces in the numbers. It should be only 10 digits. Table 10 shows common wrong formats and the right format for each sample number.

Table 10.

Wrong Format	Right format
"(956)-227-4736"	"9562274736"
"956-227-4736"	"9562274736"
"956 227 4736"	"9562274736"

(iv) Social Security Numbers must be represented by a string nine-digit number without any Colons or spaces in between. Table 11 shows common wrong formats and the right format for each sample number.

#### Table 11.

Wrong Format	Right format
"466-62-7837"	"466627837"

"466 62 7837" [spaces between the numbers]	"466627837"

### B. Electric Discount List File Layout

#### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate a discount list for each Electric Company participating in the LITEUP program that has a residential customer that matched against the LITEUP Enrollment database.
- (ii) The LIDA will provide a Zip file containing two additional files:
  - (a) A list of the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount in a comma delimited text file.
  - (b) A separate control file showing the total number of rows residing in the text file.
- (iii) The LIDA will place the zip file on the LIDA FTP site under the "OUTPUT" directory and notify the company that the file is ready for download. The company will then use the Secure FTP software to retrieve the zip file. Login instructions to the LIDA FTP site will be provided in a separate document.
- 2. Table 12 shows the common naming convention the LIDA must use.

#### Table 12.

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REP1nnnnnnn_Y	YYYYMM.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl files)	
REP1nnnnnnnn_Y	REP1nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.txt	
REP1nnnnnnnn_Y	YYYMM.ctrl	
The suffix naming	convention is:	
.txt	Identifies the residential customer list	
.ctrl	Identifies the control file	
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files	

REP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs. Whether your company is a REP, MOU or COOP please set this to a value of 'REP'
1nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating REP, MOU or COOP. This number will be provided to the REP, MOU or COOP under a separate document.
-	An underscore
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

<sup>3.</sup> Output File Layout - The file generated must be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Input fields are described in Table 13.

# **Table 13.**

Input Field Name	Description	Examples
ESIID	The ESI ID assigned to the specified service address. This will be the same ESI ID provided by the REP.	10559804985739
Street	The address receiving the service. If a street address is not available, the company should populate this field with whatever address is on file for that customer.	100 Main St
City	The City Name.	Houston
State	The State Code	TX
Zip Code	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	12345
		12345-6789
Customer Account Number	The account number assigned to this customer by the company.  (See Note 1)	3ABC-18-9
Primary Name – Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones
		Jones III
Primary Name – First & Middle	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H

Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer. (Note:	012345678
	optional - will only be provided if the REP included it in their input file.	(no dashes)

4. Sample Residential Customer List Output File Format in Table 14.

## Table 14.

Filename:	REP1nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.txt
Sample Filename:	REP100012345_200901.txt
Record Format:	"ESIID", "Service Address", "City", "State", "Zip Code", "Customer Account Number", "Primary Last Name", "Primary First Name", "Social Security No"
Sample Record – All Fields Populated:	"10559804985739","100 MAIN ST.","HOUSTON","TX","78701- 1234,"3ABC-18-9","Jones","Joseph H", "123456789"
Sample Record - Customer Account Number (Notice the "" showing that the field is blank)	"10559804985739","Jones","Joseph H","1234567890","100 MAIN ST.","HOUSTON","TX","78701-1234","","Jones","Joseph H","123456789"

5. Descriptions and examples of Customer List Output File field names in Table 15.

## Table 15.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Name - Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones
		Jones III
		Jones Jr
Primary Name - First & Middle	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
Customer Provided Address	The customer provided address receiving the service. Blank if not available.	123 Main St
		First house on left

Customer Provided City	The customer provided City Name as corrected. Blank if not available.	Houston
Customer Provided Zip	The customer provided Zip Code or Zip Code Plus. Blank if not available.	78701
		787011234
Primary Telephone Number	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer (includes area code).	1234567890 (no dashes)
CASS Letter Sent Date	The date when CASS failure letter was sent.	02/29/2019
Customer Contacted Date	The date when customer contacted LIDA to validate address.	04/02/2019

6. Sample Discount List File Format in Table 16.

#### Table 16.

**Filename:** REP1nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.txt

**Sample Filename:** REP100012345\_200901.txt

#### 7. Control File Format

- (i) The Control File will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records representing the company's residential customers who qualify for discount programs (.txt file). For example, if the LIDA matched 10,000 records of the company's residential customers who qualify for discount programs, the control file would contain the value 10000 starting in position 1 of the record.
- (ii) Sample Control File Format can be found in Table 17.

#### Table 17.

**Filename:** REP1nnnnnnn YYYYMM.ctrl

**Sample Filename:** REP100012345\_200901.ctrl

**Record Format:** 999999999 (where 999999999 represents the total number of records in the .txt file)

Sample Record: 10000

### ZIP SOFTWARE COMPATIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

The Zip files can be created with WinZip or PKZip or any other software that maintains compatibility with WinZip8.1. Details of our Cross product compatibility test are as follows:

Note: Encrypted Zip files are not allowed. The Communication Channel (FTP Site) will be Encrypted to provide the desired security

Table 18.

## **Cross product Compatibility Test**

Zip	WinZip 8.1	WinZip 7.0	PKZip 6.0	PKZip 6.0 (Encrypted)
UnZip	_			
WinZip 8.1			•	
WinZip 7.0	•	•	•	
PKZip 6.0	•	•	•	
PKZip 6.0 (Encrypted)				•

## III. Data Format Requirements for Telephone Companies

A. Telephone Company Input File Requirements

#### 1. General

- (i) Each Telephone Company participating in the program must provide on a monthly basis a zip file containing two files as specified below:
  - (a) A list of their active residential customers (residing in the state of Texas) in a comma delimited text file.

- (b) A separate control file showing the total number of rows residing in the text file
- (ii) The company is then responsible for FTP'ing the Zip file to the LIDA FTP site ("Site location"). Secure FTP Login instructions will be provided in a separate document.
- 2. Naming Convention Each file generated must follow a common naming convention as shown in Table 18.

#### Table 18.

TSP2nnn	nnnnn_YYYYMM.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl files)	
TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.txt		
TSP2nnn	nnnnn_YYYYMM.ctrl	
The suffix namin	g convention is:	
.txt	Identifies the residential customer list	
.ctrl	Identifies the control file	
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files	
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the	
	electric and telephone programs.	
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.	
	number will be provided to the 151 under a separate document.	
	An underscore	
_	All underscore	
XXXXXXX		
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.	

3. Input File Requirements - The file generated must be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks, as shown in Table 19.

#### Table 19.

Input Field Name	Description	Examples
Last Name	The last name of the customer.	Jones

		Jones Jr
First & Middle Name	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer. (See Note 1)	012345678 (no dashes)
		5678
Telephone Number	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer (includes area code).	1234567890 (no dashes)
		(no dashes)
Service Address	The address receiving the service. A street	123 Main St
	address is required	567 N Main St Apt 6
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus. If there is a	78701
	Zip Code Plus, please place a hyphen between the Zip Code and the Zip Code Plus field.	78701-1234
Customer Account Number	The account number assigned to this customer by the company. (See Note 2)	
Billing Address	This should be provided if there is a billing address other than that provided as the Service Address. Correspondence will be sent to this address. If there is no separate billing address the Service address should be duplicated in this field.	123 Main St. P.O. Box 234
<b>Billing City</b>	The City Name of the Billing Address	Houston
Billing State	The State of the Billing Address	TX
		NM
Billing Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus of the	78701
	Billing Address. If there is a Zip Code Plus, please place a hyphen between the Zip Code and the Zip Code Plus Field	78701-1234
Date of Birth	The Date of Birth of the customer. Report as	12/12/2013
	null if not available.	(MM/DD/YYYY)
Service Start Date	The date when the customer's current service	12/12/2013
	began.	(MM/DD/YYYY)
	(See Note 3)	

Tribal Link-up Service Initiation Date	This is the date of service initiation to which Tribal Link Up support applied.	12/12/2013 (MM/DD/YYYY)
Blocked Discount	This is an indicator identifying this record to not be considered for the Lifeline discount. (See Note 4)	Y N "" (null)
Rural Indicator	If flag is set to "R", the address is a rural or non-conventional address, but the TSP confirms it is a valid Service (residential) address. (See Note 7)	R "" (null)
Service Type	An indicator specifying the type of discount being requested by the provider. This is a required field. (See Note 5)	VO, BO, BV, BB, BVB, "" (null)
Port Freeze Exception	An indicator specifying the port freeze exception code for consideration (See Note 6)	R, S1, L1, V1, P1, "" (null)

<u>Note 1:</u> The full SSN will assist the LIDA during the matching process by providing more accurate match criteria. Should there be privacy issues please provide the last 4 digits of the SSN.

<u>Note 2:</u> This is an optional field. If the company provides the customer account number, it will be flowed back when the LIDA generates the discount list. This would assist the company in applying the discount.

<u>Note 3:</u> You must provide the Service Start Date for each customer based on when their service began. If a customer has a lapse in service that resulted in not being listed on the previous months input file, you should provide the new service start date. If the lapse occurs after the last file was provided and service has been restored prior to the current month's file submission, you should send the original service start date.

<u>Note 4:</u> This field should be used when the provider wishes to block a residential customer from receiving the discount. Some examples of this are as follows although others may apply:

- Customer requested that they no longer be given the discount
- Customer is an employee receiving free telephone service

<u>Note 5:</u> This is a required field. If the customer does not have a service type indicated in this field their eligibility will not be reviewed and they will not be reported in the output file.

#### **Indicator values:**

- 1. VO Voice Only service.
- 2. BO Broadband Only service.
- 3. BV Bundled Voice service. Offers broadband and voice but meets minimum service standards for voice only.
- 4. BB Bundled Broadband service. Offers broadband and voice but meets minimum service standards for broadband only.
- 5. BVB Bundled Voice Broadband service. Meets minimum service standards for both voice and broadband.

6. "" – This indicates a "Null" service type. This should be sent when a customer does not meet the minimum service standards for both voice and broadband.

**Note 6:** This is an optional field which was used when Port Freeze was in effect. Based on Federal guidelines, as Port Freeze logic has been removed from LIDA, this field should be left blank.

**Note 7:** This is an optional field which was used when the Rural override was in effect. Based on Federal guidelines, this field is no longer used but a value is required. Using R or "" (Null) will have no impact on the result of monthly CASS requirement.

4. Sample Residential Customer List Input File format shown in Table 20.

#### Table 20.

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.txt

**Sample Filename:** TSP200012345\_201303.txt

#### **Record Format:**

"Last Name", "First Name", "SSN", "Telephone Number", "Address", "City", "Zip Code", "Customer Account Number", "Billing Address", "Billing City", "Billing Zip Code", "Date of Birth", "Service Start Date", "Linkup Service Initiation Date", "Blocked Discount", "Rural Indicator", "Service Type", "Port Freeze Exception"

### **Sample Records:**

### All fields populated

"DOE","JOHN","123456789","5121234567","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234","ZZZ-YY-XXX-T","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234","12/12/2012","1/12/2012","1/12/2012","Y","R","VO",""

Blocked Discount field not populated (Notice the "" showing that the field is blank)

"DOE","JOHN","123456789","5121234567","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234","","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234"","12/12/2012","1/12/2012","1/12/2012","","R","VO",""

- B. Telephone Company Control File format
  - 1. This file will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records found in the Residential Customer List (.txt file). For example, if the company generates a residential customer list to send to the LIDA containing 10,000 records, the control file would contain the value 10000 starting in position 1 of the record.
  - 2. Sample Control File format can be found in Table 21.

#### Table 21.

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.ctrl

**Sample Filename:** TSP200012345\_201303.ctrl

**Record Format:** 999999999 (where 999999999 represents the total number of records in the .txt file)

Sample Record: 10000

3. Additional information about correct formats:

(i) Names: Middle name should be included in either First name or Last name without any quotes. Common mistakes in the first and last names are shown in Table 22. Correct format is also suggested.

Table 22.

Wrong Format	Right format
"Pat",""Martin"," III""	"Pat", "Martin III"
""Short"," M D"","James"	"Short M D", "James"
"BLOCKER",""Ronnie" GEORGE"	"BLOCKER","Ronnie GEORGE"
"Ortiz "Cesar"", "Elizabeth"	"Ortiz Cesar","Elizabeth"

(ii) Address fields: Some of the address fields are provided with extra double quotes (") in the middle, or additional quotes at the beginning or end of the address field. Table 23 shows examples of the wrong and right formats.

Table 23.

Wrong Format	Right format
"5101 North "A" Street, Apt. 218"	"5101 North A Street, Apt. 218"
"3301 N. "K" Center St"	"3301 N. K Center St"
""132 S Main St"	"132 S Main St"
"132 S Main St""	"132 S Main St"

(iii) Phone Numbers: Phone numbers should not have special characters like (, ), - or spaces in the numbers. They should be entered as ten digits. Table 24 shows common wrong formats and the corrected formats.

Table 24.

Wrong Format	Right format
"(956)-227-4736"	"9562274736"
"956-227-4736"	"9562274736"
"956 227 4736"	"9562274736"

() **Social Security Numbers:** must be entered as a string nine-digit number without any colons or spaces in between. Table 25 shows common wrong formats and the corrected formats.

Table 25

Wrong Format	Right format
"466-62-7837"	"466627837"
"466 62 7837"	"466627837"

"****7837"	"7837"

(v) **Date of Birth:** Date of Birth must be entered in the format MM/DD/YYYY, as shown in Table 26.

#### Table 26.

Wrong Format	Right format
"DECEMBER 12, 2012"	"12/12/2012"
"12.12.2012"	"12/12/2012"
"12122012"	"12/12/2012"

#### C. Telephone Discount List File Layout

#### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA must generate a discount list for each Telephone Company participating in the program that has a residential customer that matched against the Enrollment database.
- (ii) The LIDA must provide a Zip file containing two additional files:
  - (a) A list of the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount in a comma delimited text file.
  - (b) A separate control file showing the total number of rows residing in the text file.
- (iii) The LIDA must place the zip file on the FTP site under the "OUTPUT" directory and notify the company that the file is ready for download. The company will then use the Secure FTP software to retrieve the zip file. Login instructions to the LIDA FTP site will be provided in a separate document.
- (iv) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table 27.

#### Table 27.

TSP2nnnr	nnnn_YYYYMM.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl files)		
TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.txt			
TSP2nnnr	TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM.ctrl		
The suffix naming	g convention is:		
.txt	Identifies the residential customer list		
.ctrl	Identifies the control file		
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files		
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.		
2nnnnnn A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.			
_	An underscore		

YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

### D. Telephone Output File Layout

- 1. The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks, as shown in Table 28.
- 2. All fields in Table 28 prefixed with primary identify the person whom the service is provided for not the person who is being billed unless they are one and the same. All fields in Table 28 prefixed with service represent the location (address, city and zip) that is receiving the service. With the exception of the last two fields shown in Table 28, all other data will be the same as the data originally submitted by the company.

Table 28.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Name - Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones
		Jones III
		Jones Jr
Primary Name - First &	The first name and middle initial of	Joseph H
Middle	the customer.	
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer.	012345678
		1234
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	1234567890
Number	(includes area code).	(no dashes)
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
		First house on left
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
<b>Customer Account</b>	The account number assigned to this customer	
Number	by the company.	
	(See Note 1)	
Date of Birth	The birth date of the customer	12/12/2012
		(MM/DD/YYYY)

Certification Approval Date	This is the date that the Lifeline Certification Form was reviewed and approved by the LIDA, or 5/31/2012 for all customers who have been continuously receiving the discount from May 31, 2012.	12/12/2012 (MM/DD/YYYY)
Resident of Tribal Lands	This will be provided if an application was received indicating that the applicant is a resident of an approved Texas tribe	Y/N
Program Discount Type	A generic indicator that describes if the applicant was approved on a state program (S), a federal program (F), or both (B).  It also serves as a generic indicator that describes if the applicant was approved based on the state poverty guidelines (136%-150%) (S), or both state and federal guidelines (0% - 135%) (B).	S,F,B
Service Type	An indicator specifying the type of discount being requested by the provider. (See Note 2)	VO, BO, BV, BB, BVB

<u>Note 1:</u> This is an optional field. If the company provides the customer account number, it will be flowed back on the discount list.

#### **Note 2:** Indicator values:

- 1. VO Voice Only service.
- 2. BO Broadband Only service.
- 3. BV Bundled Voice service. Offers broadband and voice but meets minimum service standards for voice only.
- 4. BB Bundled Broadband service. Offers broadband and voice but meets minimum service standards for broadband only.
- 5. BVB Bundled Voice Broadband service. Meets minimum service standards for both voice and broadband.
- E. Sample Residential Customer List Output File Format in Table 29.

#### Table 29.

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.txt

Sample Filename: TSP200012345\_201303.txt

#### **Record Format:**

"Last Name", "First Name", "SSN", "Tele Number", "Address", "City", "Zip Code", "Customer Account Number", "Date of Birth", "Certification Approval Date", "Resident of Tribal Land", "Program Discount Type", "Service Type"

## **Sample Records:**

## All fields populated

"DOE","JOHN","123456789","5121234567","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234,"ZZZ-YY-M",
"12/12/2012","6/30/2012","N","B","VO"

Customer Account Number fields are not supplied (Notice the "" showing that the field is blank)

```
" DOE","JANE","123456789","5555551212","123 MAIN STREET","ANYTOWN","75201","","12/12/2012", "6/30/2012", "N", "B", "VO"
```

#### F. Control File Format

- 1. The Control File will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records representing the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount (.txt file). For example, if the LIDA matched 10,000 records of the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount, the control file would contain the value 10000 starting in position 1 of the record.
- 2. Sample Control File Format in Table 30.

#### Table 30.

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM.ctrl

Sample Filename: TSP200012345\_201303.ctrl

**Record Format:** 999999999 (where 999999999 represents the total number of records in the .txt file)

Sample Record: 10000

- G. Telephone Discount Output Form Map
  - 1. General
    - (i) The LIDA must generate a file that provides a map of Lifeline Certification Form images to the customer's Telephone Number.
    - (ii) Each file must follow the common naming convention as shown in Table 31.

#### Table 31.

TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_FORMS.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl files)

<Document Name>.pdf

TSP2nnnnnnn YYYYMM Form Map.txt

The suffix naming convention is:

.txt	Identifies the cross-reference of Lifeline Certification Form Images to Telephone Numbers
.ctrl	Identifies the Lifeline Certification Form Images
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.
_	An underscore
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

2. Output File Layout - The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks, as shown in Table 32.

#### Table 32.

FORMS Field Names	Description	Examples
TSP	The TSP ID of the telephone provider	TSP200000999
Telephone Number	The Customer's telephone number	1234567890
Image File	The file name of the image of the Lifeline Certification Form related to the Customer's telephone number	
Review Date	The date that the Lifeline Certification Form was approved.	12/12/2012 (MM/DD/YYYY)

3. Sample Form Map Output File in Table 33.

### Table 33.

Filename: TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_Form\_Map.txt

Sample Filename: TSP200012345\_201303\_Form\_Map.txt

Record Format:

"TSP", "Telephone Number", "Image File", "Review Date"

## Sample Records:

## All fields populated

"200000999","1234567890","TL201060112301303299-20120725-13120963.pdf","12/12/2012"

## H. Telephone De-Enrolled List File

### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate a list of all customers who were de-enrolled during the matching process. The DE-ENROLLED file is for information purposes only. The Output File is what should be used to determine if a customer is eligible for the rate reduction.
- (ii) Each file must follow the common naming convention as shown in Table 34.

#### Table 34.

TSP2nn	nnnnn_YYYYMM_De-enrollees.zip (containing the .txt and .ctrl
files) TS	P2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_De-enrollees.txt
TSP2nn	nnnnn_YYYYMM_De-enrollees.ctrl
The suffix namin	ng convention is:
.txt	Identifies the de-enrolled customer list
.ctrl	Identifies the control file
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.
_	An underscore
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

**2.** Output File Layout for De-enrolled Customers – The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. The De-Enrolled fil is for informational purposes only. The Output File is what should be used to determine if a customer is eligible for the discount, as shown in Table 35.

Table 35.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
<b>Primary Name - Last</b>	The last name of the customer.	Jones
		Jones III
		Jones Jr
<b>Primary Name - First &amp;</b>	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Middle		_
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer.	012345678
		1234
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	1234567890
Number	(includes area code).	(no dashes)
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
		First house on left
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
<b>Customer Account</b>	The account number assigned to this customer by	
Number	the company.	
	(See Note 1)	
<b>De-Enrolled Date</b>	This will be the date LIDA De-enrolled	12/12/2012
	the customer	(MM/DD/YYYY)
De-Enrolled Reason	Description of the De-Enrollment Reason	

**Note 1:** This is an optional field. If the company provides the customer account number, it will be flowed back on the discount list.

**Note 2:** Possible values for De-enrolled status:

DE-ENROLLED (Must stay for historical records, will no longer be used and eventually phased out)
DE-ENROLLED SINGLE DISCOUNT (Must stay for historical records, will no longer be used and
DE-ENROLLED phased NEW ut). DISCOUNT - CERT FORM REQUIRED (DE-ENROLLED_ND)
DE-ENROLLED TRACK 1 DUPLICATE -CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_T1)
DE-ENROLLED TRACK 2 NAME DUPLICATE-HOUSEHOLD FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_T2)
DE-ENROLLED TRACK 3 SSN DUPLICATE-CERT FORM NOT RETURNED (DE-ENROLLED_T3_SSN)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CERTIFCATION FORM REVIEW (DE-ENROLLED_CR)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO HOUSEHOLD FORM REVIEW (DE-ENROLLED_HR)
DE-NROLLED PENDING 60 DAY RELEASE (ENROLLED_PR)
DE-NROLLED PENDING 60 DAY RELEASE (ENROLLED_PR) DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH (DE-ENROLLED_NM)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH (DE-ENROLLED_NM)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_NA-CHANGE)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH (DE-ENROLLED_NM)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_NA-CHANGE)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO A NAME CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_N_CHANGE)
DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE (DE-ENROLLED_CASS)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH (DE-ENROLLED_NM)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_NA-CHANGE)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO A NAME CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT (DE-ENROLLED_N_CHANGE)  DE-ENROLLED DUE TO ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM NOT RETURNED (DE-ENROLLED_A_CHANGE)

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NRT DUPLICATE (DE-ENROLLED\_NRT\_DUPLICATE)

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NRT EXPIRY (DE-ENROLLED TO NRT EXPIRY)

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO DENIED CERTPLUS REVIEW

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NON-RESPONSE TO CERTPLUS.

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO INELIGIBLE STATE ONLY DISCOUNT QUALIFICATION (DE-

DE-ENROLLED
DE-ENROLLEDNO DUESTAE TO BLOKDISCOUNT) REQUESTED TO STOP DISCOUNT (DE-ENROLLED\_BLOCK\_REQUEST)

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO OUTDATED CERT OLDER THAN 90 DAYS (DE-ENROLLED\_OUTDATED\_CERT)

DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CARRIER NON SUBMISSION (DE-ENROLLED\_NOT\_SUBMITTED)

CUSTOMER WITH THE TELEPHONE NUMBER PROVIDED NOT FOUND IN THE LIDA SYSTEM

CUSTOMER DE-ENROLLEDNOT DUE <sup>TOFOUND)</sup> CUSTOMER TRANSFERRING SERVICE TO ANOTHER CARRIER (DE-

ENROLLED
DE-ENROLLED DUETRANSFER TO OUT) NON-RESPONSE TO STATE RENEWAL (DE-ENROLLED\_STATERENEWAL)

3. Sample Residential De-enrollees Output File Format shown in Table 36.

#### Table 36.

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_De-enrollees.txt

**Sample Filename:** TSP200012345\_201303\_De-enrollees.txt

#### **Record Format:**

"Last Name", "First Name", "SSN", "Tele Number", "Address", "City", "Zip Code", "Customer Account Number", "De-Enrolled Date", "De-Enrolled Reason"

#### **Sample Records:**

#### All fields populated

"DOE","JOHN","123456789","5121234567","123 MAIN ST.","ANYTOWN","78701-1234,"ZZZ-YY-M","6/30/2012", "DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH"

Customer Account Number fields are not supplied (*Notice the "" showing that the field is blank*)

"DOE","JANE","123456789","5555551212","123 MAIN STREET","ANYTOWN","75201","",

"6/30/2012","DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH"

#### 4. Control File Format

- (i) Control file will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records representing the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount (.txt file). For example, if the LIDA matched 10,000 records of the company's residential customers who qualify for the discount, the control file would contain the value 10000 starting in position 1 of the record.
- (ii) Sample Control File format shown in Table 37.

#### **Table 37.**

**Filename:** TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_De-enrollees.ctrl

**Sample Filename:** TSP200012345\_201303\_De-enrollees.ctrl

**Record Format:** 999999999 (where 999999999 represents the total number of records in the .txt file)

**Sample Record:** 10000

### I. Telephone CASS Failure File Layout

### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate a CASS Failure file every month for each TSP participating in the program that has customers that failed the CASS Address validation of their service address as provided by the carrier. The CASS Failure file is for information purposes only. The Output File is what should be used to determine if a customer is eligible for the rate reduction.
- (ii) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table

#### 43. **Table 43.**

TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_CASS_FAILURES.zip			
(containing the .txt and .ctrl files)			
·	TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_ CASS_FAILURES.txt		
	nnnnn_YYYYMM_ CASS_FAILURES.ctrl		
137211111	IIIIIIIII_1 1 1 1 VIVI_ CASS_PAILURES.CII		
The suffix naming convention is:			
.txt	Identifies the customer list		
.ctrl	Identifies the control file which has the record count from .txt file		
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files		
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.		
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.		
_	An underscore		
YYYYMM	Four digit year and two digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.		

# J. <u>OUTPUT FILE LAYOUT – Customers with CASS Address failures</u>

1. The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks, as shown in Table 44.

Table 44.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Full Name –	The full name of the customer.	Jones, Joseph
Last, First		
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701 787011234
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	1234567890
Number	(includes area code).	(no dashes)
CASS Failure Date	The date when CASS validation failure occurred.	04/02/2019

### K. Telephone CASS Correction File Layout

- 1. General
  - (i) The LIDA will generate a CASS Correction file weekly for each TSP participating in the program that has CASS Address correction completed by the customer.
  - (ii) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table 45.

#### Table 45.

TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_CASS_CORRECTIONS.zip				
(containing the .txt and .ctrl files)				
TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_CASS_CORRECTIONS.txt				
TSP2nnnnnnn_YYYYMM_CASS_CORRECTIONS.ctrl				
The suffix naming convention is:				
.txt	Identifies the customer list			
.ctrl	Identifies the control file which has the record count from .txt file			
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files			
_				
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the			
	electric and telephone programs.			
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This			
	number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.			
_	An underscore			
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two digit month representing the year and month the file is			
	being generated.			

## L. <u>OUTPUT FILE LAYOUT – Customers with CASS Address corrections</u>

1. The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field

enclosed in double quotation marks, as shown in Table 46.

#### Table 46.

<b>Output Field Name</b>	Description	Examples
Primary Name - Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones Jones III Jones Jr
Primary Name - First & Middle	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701 787011234
Customer Provided Address	The customer provided address receiving the service. Blank if not available.	123 Main St First house on left
Customer Provided City	The customer provided City Name as corrected. Blank if not available.	Houston
<b>Customer Provided Zip</b>	The customer provided Zip Code or Zip Code Plus. Blank if not available.	78701 787011234
Primary Telephone Number	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer (includes area code).	1234567890 (no dashes)
<b>CASS Letter Sent Date</b>	The date when CASS failure letter was sent.	02/29/2019
Customer Contacted Date	The date when customer contacted LIDA to validate address.	04/02/2019

### M. Telephone IVR Certifications File Layout

#### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate an IVR Certification file every month for each TSP participating in the program that has customers that completed their Certification form via IVR. The IVR Certifications File is for information purposes only. The Output File is what should be used to determine if a customer is eligible for the rate reduction.
- (ii) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table

#### 47. **Table 47.**

TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_IVR\_CERTIFICATIONS.zip

(containing the .txt and .ctrl files)

TSP2nnnnnnn YYYYMM IVR CERTIFICATIONS.txt

TSP2nnnnnnn\_YYYYMM\_IVR\_CERTIFICATIONS.ctrl

The suffix naming convention is:					
.txt	Identifies the customer list				
.ctrl	Identifies the control file which has the record count from .txt file				
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files				
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.				
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.				
_	An underscore				
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.				

2. Output File Layout - Customers with IVR Certifications - The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Output fields are described in Table 48.

## Table 48.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Last Name	The last name of the customer.	Jones, Joseph
Primary Name - First & Middle	The first name and middle initial of the customer.	Joseph H
Social Security Number	The Last 4 or Full Social Security Number of the customer.	123456789
		6789
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer (includes area code).	1234567890
Number		(no dashes)

Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
Customer Account Number	The account number assigned to this customer by the company.	
Billing Address	The Billing street address.	123 Main St
Billing City	The Billing City Name.	Houston
Billing State	The Billing State code.	TX
Billing Zip	The Billing Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
Date of Birth	The DoB of the customer.	10/01/1975
Temporary Address Ind	The indicator to identify if the address is temporary as reported by customer.	Y
	The state of the s	N
		null
Household Size	The number of Household members	1-9
Program Type	Eligibility Program	SSI
		SNAP
		FPHA
		СНІР
		MEDICAID
		LIHEAP
		TANF
		NSLP
Attestation1	Attestation 1 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation2	Attestation 2 in the Cert Form	Y or null

Attestation3	Attestation 3 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation4	Attestation 4 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation5	Attestation 5 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation6	Attestation 6 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation7	Attestation 7 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation8	Attestation 8 in the Cert Form	Y or null
Attestation9	Attestation 9 in the Cert Form	Y or null
<b>Electronic Signature</b>	Electronic Signature of the customer.	Y or null

#### E. Telephone Rolling Recertification Initial File Layout

#### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate an Initial Rolling Recertification file every month for each Prepaid TSP participating in the program that has customers eligible for Annual Recertification process. This file will have customers that failed to recertify via the HHSC database and needs to recertify within the window. The Rolling Recertification file is for informational purposes only and not to be used for Lifeline eligibility. The data in this file can be used for Form 555 filing process.
- (ii) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table

#### 49. **Table 49.**

TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the electric and telephone programs.
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.
_	An underscore
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is being generated.

2. Output File Layout - Customers that need to Recertify - The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Output fields are described in Table 50.

## Table 50.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Last Name	The last name of the customer.	Jones, Joseph
Primary Name – First	The first name of the customer.	Joseph
Primary Name/Initial -	The middle name/initial of the customer.	Н
Middle		Henry
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	1234567890
Number	(includes area code).	(no dashes)
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service State	The State code.	TX
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234

F. Telephone Rolling Recertification Outcome File Layout

#### 1. General

- (i) The LIDA will generate a Rolling Recertification Outcome file every month for each Prepaid TSP participating in the program that has customers eligible for Annual Recertification process. This file will have the outcome of the Annual Recertification process for each of the customer in the Initial file. The Rolling Recertification Outcome file is for informational purposes only and not to be used for Lifeline eligibility. The data in this file can be used for Form 555 filing process.
- (ii) Each file will follow the common naming convention as shown in Table

#### 51. **Table 51.**

TSP2nnnnnnn_Y	YYYMM_PP_ROLLINGRECERT_OUTCOME.zip
(0	containing the .txt and .ctrl files)
TSP2nnnnnnn_Y	YYYMM_PP_ROLLINGRECERT_OUTCOME.txt
TSP2nnnnnnn_Y	YYYMM_PP_ROLLINGRECERT_OUTCOME.ctrl
The suffix namin	ng convention is:
.txt	Identifies the customer list
.ctrl	Identifies the control file which has the record count from .txt file
.zip	Identifies the zip file containing the other two files
TSP	This is a constant value that is used by the LIDA to distinguish between the
	electric and telephone programs.
2nnnnnnn	A unique nine-digit number assigned by the LIDA to each participating TSP. This number will be provided to the TSP under a separate document.
	An underscore
_	
YYYYMM	Four-digit year and two-digit month representing the year and month the file is
7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	being generated.

Output File Layout - Outcome of Customers that were in Recertification window - The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Output fields are described in Table 52.

Table 52.

Output Field Name	Description	Examples	
Primary Last Name	The last name of the customer.	Jones, Joseph	
Primary Name - First	The first name of the customer.	Joseph	
Primary Name -	The middle initial of the customer.	Н	
Middle		Henry	
Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of	1234567890	
Number	the customer (includes area code).	(no dashes)	
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St	
Service City	The City Name.	Houston	
Service State	The State Code.	TX	
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701	
		787011234	
Recertification Status	The customer's recertification status.	APPROVED	
		DENIED-REVIEW	
		DENIED-NORESPONSE	
Recertification Date	The decision date (approved or denied by a	IVR	
	Reviewer).	HHSC	
		Review	
		Website	

Recertification Method	Method through which the customer recertified.	IVR HHSC
		Review Website

3. Prepaid Lookup Input File Layout - The file generated will be a comma delimited text file separated by commas with each character field enclosed in double quotation marks. Input fields are described in Table 53.

Table 53.

Input Field Name	Description	Examples
Last Name	The customer's last name.	Acosta
SSN-4	The last 4 digits of the customer's social security number.	2487
Date of Birth	The customer's date of birth	10/14/1941
Zip Code	Zip code	78701

#### G. Customer Approved Forms File Requirements

#### 1. General

- (i) This is a report of all the customers that were reported in the monthly snapshot report and that had a form reviewed and approved by LIDA in that month. The file will be provided on the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month. The file generated will be a ZIP file which will have a comma delimited text file with each field enclosed in double quotation marks. The text file will be a mapping file which will provide the customer information along with the document name. The zip file will also have the actual PDF documentation(s) of the form. The text file contains header record.
- (ii) The monthly file will be available in the following location as shown in Table 54.

#### Table 54.

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

Filename: TSP200000nnn\_FORMS\_yyyymm.ZIP

The zip file will contain the following text file and 1 or more PDF files.

TSP200000nnn\_FORMS\_Map\_yyyymm.txt

The file contains records of enrolled records where each field is enclosed in double quotation marks and delimited by comma.

2022-01-20.69830e61-3b70-47dc-834e-9597a2a3f310.pdf
The PDF version of the scanned form that was reviewed by LIDA.

	nnn = TSPId
200	yyyymm = Year & month of the report

## <u>OUTPUT FILE LAYOUT of .txt file – Customers with IVR Certifications</u>

Field Name	Description	Examples
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association. Field added for new process.	50000016
LastName	The last name of the customer	Jones
FirstName	The first name of the customer	Joseph
SSN4	The social security number of the customer	5632
DOB	The Date of Birth of the customer	06/23/1997
TelephoneNumber	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	5125558712
AccountNumber	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier.	
FormType	Type of the form that was approved by LIDA. Certification – Certification form Recertification – Annual Recertification form Worksheet – Household Worksheet	Certification Recertification Worksheet

IntakeMethod	Method that customer used to complete the form.	Other
	Other – Customer sent form via snail mail or NRT	Websit
	or Website Application package	e IVR
	Website – Customer completed form on the website	
	IVR – Customer completed form using IVR	
DocumentName	Document name of the PDF version of the scanned	2022-01-
	form that was reviewed by LIDA.	20.69830e61-3b70-
	If Intake method is Other, then document name will	47dc-834e-
	be provided.	9597a2a3f310.pdf
	If intake method is Website or IVR a document is not	
	available. The value provided for this field will be	NA
ApprovalDate	Date when the form was reviewed & approved by	01/25/2022

Sample File: TSP200000999\_FORMS\_202201.ZIP

The zip file will contain the following 2 or more files: TSP200000nnn FORMS Map yvyymm.txt

2022-01-20.69830e61-3b70-47dc-834e-9597a2a3f310.pdf 2022-01-29.88812e13-5f56-23er-123r-3428f2r3x819.pdf

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_FORMS\_202201.txt:

#### IV. <u>Data Format Requirements for Prepaid Carriers</u>

This is an existing report of all the customers that were enrolled with the carrier as of 11:59:59pm on the last day of the month. The file will be provided on the 1st of every month. The file generated will be a ZIP file which will have a comma delimited text file with each field enclosed in double quotation marks. It will also have a Control file that provides the count of records. The report does not contain header or trailer record.

#### Important: The Customer Snapshot report should be used by carriers for monthly subsidy claim with USAC.

Note: The file format is almost identical to the monthly discount output file that carriers were receiving in the past at the end of the TXLAD monthly process. The file naming convention is the same as before. This is done to alleviate development effort on carrier's end.

Changes from the old file format:

o The CustomerID field has been added as the last field

The monthly file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

Filename: TSP200000nnn\_yyyymm.ZIP

<sup>&</sup>quot;CustomerID", "LastName", "FirstName", "SSN4", "DOB", "TelephoneNumber", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "FormType, "FormType,

<sup>&</sup>quot;Intake Method", "Document Name", "Approval Date"

<sup>&</sup>quot;50000022", "SMITH", "ALICIA", "7149", "08/15/1983", "5125554651", "511275862-

<sup>1&</sup>quot;, "Certification", "Paper", "2022-01-29.88812e13 -5f56-23er-123r-3428f2r3x819.pdf", "02/01/2022"

<sup>&</sup>quot;50000029", "SMITH", "ALICIA", "7149", "08/15/1983", "5125554651", "511275862-

<sup>1&</sup>quot;,"Worksheet","Website","Not Available","02/03/2022"

The zip file will contain the following 2 files

## $TSP200000nnn\_yyyymm.txt$

The file contains records of enrolled records where each field is enclosed in double quotation marks and delimited by comma.

## $TSP200000nnn\_yyyymm.CTRL$

The file will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of enrolled records in the text file.

 $\Box$  nnn = TSPId

 $\ \ \,$  yyyymm = Year & month of the report

#### Format of the .txt file:

Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Name - Last	The last name of the customer	Jones
Primary Name - First	The first name of the customer	Joseph
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer	5632
Primary Telephone Number	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	5125558712
Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St

Service City	The City Name	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
Customer Account Number	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier.	
Service Start Date	The date when the customer's current service began	11/14/2020
		(MM/DD/YYYY
IEH Field	This field will always be blank	"" (null)
Rural Indicator	This field will always be blank	"" (null)
Date of Birth	The Date of Birth of the customer	06/23/1997
Certification Approval Date	This is the date that the Lifeline Certification Form	11/27/2020
	was reviewed and approved by the LIDA.	(MM/DD/YYYY
Resident of Tribal Lands	This will be provided if an application was received indicating that the applicant is a resident of a Texas tribe	Ņ
Program Discount Type	A generic indicator that describes if the applicant was approved on a state program (S), a federal program (F), or both (B).	F
	It also serves as a generic indicator that describes if the applicant was approved based on the state poverty guidelines (136%-150%) (S), or both state and federal guidelines (0% - 135%) (B).	
	Note: For non-ETP carriers, this value will always be F.	
Service Type	Service Type of the customer as provided by the carrier	BV
	See below Appendix C for list of values	<u> </u> -
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association. Field added for new process.	50000016

Sample File: TSP200000999 \_202011.ZIP

The zip file will contain the following 2

files: TSP200000999 202011.txt

TSP200000999\_202011.CTRL

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_202011.txt:

"SMITH","ALICIA","7149","5125554651","123 Main Street","HOUSTON","77061","511275862-1","11/16/2020","","","08/15/1983","11/08/2020","N","F","BVB","50000022"

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_202011.CTRL:

978654

#### De-enrolled Customer Report

This is a report of all the customers that were de-enrolled by TXLAD daily process. This is an existing report which was provided to carriers on a monthly basis. Starting Feb 2020, the file will be provided on a daily basis. The file generated will be a ZIP file which will have a comma delimited text file with each field enclosed in double quotation marks. It will also have a Control file that provides the count of records. The report does not contain header or trailer record. The file will be deleted from the output folder after 24 hours. A copy of the file will be available in the archive folder.

Important: This daily report should be used by carriers to de-enroll customers from their respective systems within 1 Business Day of receiving it.

Note: The file format is almost identical to the monthly de-enrollees file that carriers were receiving in the past at the end of the TXLAD monthly process. This is done to alleviate development effort on carrier's end.

Changes from the old file format:

- o The filename has the day component added for daily generation
- o The CustomerID field has been added as the last field

The daily file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

Filename: TSP200000nnn\_yyyymmdd\_DE-

ENROLLEES.ZIP The zip file will contain the

following 2 files

TSP200000nnn\_yyyymmdd\_DE-ENROLLEES.txt

The file contains records of de-enrolled records where each field is enclosed in double quotation marks and delimited by comma.

#### TSP200000nnn\_yyyymmdd\_DE-ENROLLEES.CTRL

The file will only contain a single row with one column. The value of that column will be the total number of records de-enrolled in the text file.

 $\sqcap$  nnn = TSPId

yyyymmdd = Year, month & day of the report

#### Format of the .txt file:

Field Name	Description	Examples
Primary Name - Last	The last name of the customer.	Jones
Primary Name - First	The first name of the customer.	Joseph
Primary SSN	The social security number of the customer.	1234

Primary Telephone	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	1234567890
Number	(includes area code).	

Service Address	The address receiving the service.	123 Main St
Service City	The City Name.	Houston
Service Zip	The Zip Code or Zip Code Plus.	78701
		787011234
Customer Account Number	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier.	
De-Enrolled Date	Date when TXLAD de-enrolled the customer	12/09/2020 (MM/DD/YYYY
De-Enrolled Reason	Reason Description for de-enrollment See below Appendix B for list of De-enroll Reasons	
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association. New field added in 2020.	50000016

Sample File: TSP200000999 \_20201127\_DE-

ENROLLEES.ZIP The zip file will contain the

following 2 files:

TSP200000999\_20201127\_DE-ENROLLEES.txt

TSP200000999\_20201127\_DE-ENROLLEES.CTRL

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_20201127\_DE-ENROLLEES.txt:

"SMITH", "JOHN", "", "5125554567", "123 MAIN ST.", "DALLAS", "78701, "710921174-1", "11/27/2020", "DE-ENROLLED TRACK 1 DUPLICATE - CERT FORM SENT", "50000016"

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_20201127\_DE-ENROLLEES.CTRL:

978654

#### **Daily Activity Return Report**

#### **Detail Report**

This is a detail report of all the transactions for the day within TXLAD where the customer was either deenrolled or sent a letter with a deadline. The file will be provided on a daily basis as well as On-demand. The file will be pipe delimited. The header record will contain column headings. The trailer record will show the count of records in the file. The file will be deleted from the output folder after 24 hours. A copy of the file will be available in the archive folder.

The daily file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

```
Filename: TSP200000nnn_DailyActivityReturnDetail_yyyymmdd.txt
nnn = TSPId
yyyymmdd = Year, month & day of the report
```

The On-demand file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\OnDemand

Filename: As provided by the carrier in the GenerateReport API

#### File Format:

Field Name	Description	Examples
TransactionDate	Date when the transaction occurred in TXLAD	12/5/2020
TransactionOperationType	The type of Transaction Operation the customer went through. See below Appendix A for list of values.	NameUpdateLetter
TransactionOperationID	Unique ID for each activity	123456789
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association	12345678
LastName	The last name of the customer	Jones
FirstName	The first name of the customer	Joseph
LifelinePhoneNumber	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer including area code	1234567890
CustomerAccountNumber	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier	
ResidenceStreetAddress	The address receiving the service	123 Main St

ResidenceCity	Residence City	Houston

ResidenceState	Residence State Code	TX
ResidenceZip5	Zip5	78701
ResidenceZip4	Zip4	1234
MailingStreetAddress	Mailing address	123 Main St
MailingCity	Mailing address city	Houston
MailingState	Mailing address state	TX
MailingZip5	Mailing address zip5	78701
MailingZip4	Mailing address zip4	1234
ServiceType	Service Type of the record See below Appendix C for list of Service Types	VO
DiscountType	An indicator specifying the type of discount F - Federal S - State B - Both (Federal & State) Note: S & B are only applicable for ETP carriers	F
LetterSentDate	Date when the letter was sent to customer by TXLAD	10/25/2020
CASSCorrectionDate	Date when the customer confirmed the address with TXLAD	10/22/2020
DeenrollReasonCode	Reason code for de-enrollment See below Appendix B for list of De-enroll Reason Codes	21
CustomerResponseDueDat e	Date by which the customer needs to respond back to TXLAD. If customer doesn't respond by this date, then the customer will be de-enrolled.	02/12/2021

# Footer Record layout

Field Name	Description	Examples
RecordType	Indicates trailer record	TRL
RecordCount	Count of records in the file	999

Sample File Name: TSP200000999\_DailyActivityReturnDetail\_20201127.txt

#### Sample File Content:

TransactionDate | TransactionOperationType | TransactionOperationID | CustomerID | LastName | FirstName | LifelinePhoneNumber | CustomerAccount | Number | ResidenceStreetAddress | ResidenceCity | ResidenceState | ResidenceZip5 | ResidenceZip4 | MailingStreetAddress | MailingCity | MailingState | MailingZip5 | MailingZip4 | ServiceType | DiscountType | LetterSentDate | CASSCorrectionDate | DeenrollReasonCode | CustomerResponseDueDate | 11/27/2020 | NameAndResidenceAddressUpdateLetter | 9 | 50000002 | GONZALEZ | MARY | 5125553434 | 2743716 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 23 | DALLAS | TX | 78501 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 23 | DALLAS | TX | 78501 | BVB | F | 11/27/2020 | | 11/27/2020 | ResidenceAddressCASSFailureLetter | 17 | 50000002 | HERNANDEZ | JOHN | 5125552323 | 1245781 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 34 | DALLAS | TX | 78501 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 34 | DALLAS | TX | 78501 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 34 | DALLAS | TX | 78501 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 34 | DALLAS | TX | 77088 | BVF | 11/27/2020 | 123 | Main Street | Apt | 45 | Houston | TX | 77088 | BVF | 11/27/2020 | 11/26/2021 | TRL | 3

#### **Summary Report**

This is a detail report of all the transactions for the day within TXLAD where the customer was either deenrolled or sent a letter with a deadline. The file will be provided on a daily basis as well as on demand. The file will be pipe delimited. The header record will contain column headings. There is no trailer record.

The daily file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

```
Filename: TSP200000nnn_DailyActivityReturnSummary_yyyymmdd.txt
nnn = TSPId
yyyymmdd = Year, month & day of the report
```

The On-demand file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\OnDemand

Filename: As provided by the carrier in the GenerateReport API

#### File Format:

Field Name	Description	Examples
TransactionDate	Date when the transaction occurred	12/02/2020
TransactionOperation	Operation type of the transaction	ResidenceAddressUpdate L etter
Count	Count of records for the given date and Transaction Operation type	25

Sample File Name: TSP200000999\_DailyActivityReturnSummary\_20201127.txt

#### Sample File Content:

		TransactionOperation   Co		_	_
		n eAndResidenceAddressU			1
		denceAddressCASSFailure		1	-
11/27/2020	Resi	denceAddressUpdateLette	r 1		

#### **Active Customer Report**

#### Detail Report

This is a detail report of all the active customers for a particular carrier in TXLAD system as of the time when the report was executed. The file will be provided on a daily basis as well as On-demand. The file will be pipe delimited. The header record will contain column headings. The trailer record will show the count of records in the file. The daily file will be deleted from the output folder after 24 hours. A copy of the daily file will be available in the archive folder.

The daily file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

```
Filename: TSP200000nnn_ActiveCustomer_yyyymmdd.txt nnn = TSPId
```

yyyymmdd = Year, month & day of the report

The On-demand file will be generated for data as of that time and will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\OnDemand

Filename: As provided by the carrier in the GenerateReport API

#### File Format:

Field Name	Description	Examples
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association	50000016
LastName	The last name of the customer	Jones
FirstName	The first name of the customer	Joseph
LifelinePhoneNumber	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer including area code	5125551283
CustomerAccountNumber	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier	
ResidenceStreetAddress	The address receiving the service	123 Main St
ResidenceCity	Residence City	Houston
ResidenceState	Residence State Code	TX
ResidenceZip5	Residence Zip5	78701
ResidenceZip4	Residence Zip4	1234
MailingStreetAddress	Mailing address	123 Main St
MailingCity	Mailing address city	Houston
MailingState	Mailing address state	TX
MailingZip5	Mailing address zip5	78701

MailingZip4	Mailing address zip4	1234
ServiceType	Service Type of the enrollment See below Appendix C for list of Service Types	VO
DiscountType	An indicator specifying the type of discount F - Federal S - State B - Both (Federal & State) Note: S & Bare only applicable for ETP carriers	F
EnrollmentDate	Date when the customer was enrolled	12/15/2020
ServiceStartDate	Date when the service started	12/13/2020
AnniversaryDate	Anniversary date of the customer	12/12/2021
LastTransactionOperationTyp e	Last Transaction type performed for the carrier by LIDA See below in Table A for list of values	Enroll
LastTransactionDate	Last Transaction date performed for the carrier by LIDA	12/10/2020
CustomerResponseDueDate	Date by which the customer needs to respond back to LIDA. If customer doesn't respond by this date, then the customer will be de-enrolled.	02/18/2021
TPIV_Flag	Result of TPIV Check of the customer 0 - TPIV Failed 1 - TPIV Passed	1
EligibilityProgram	See Appendix D for more information	MEDICAID
BQP_LastName	Reserved for future	
BQP_First Name	Reserved for future	
BQP_Middle Name	Reserved for future	

# Footer Record layout

Field Name	Description	Examples
RecordType	Indicates trailer record	TRL
RecordCount	Count of records in the file	999

TSP200000999\_ ActiveCustomer\_20201127.txt Sample File Name:

Sample File Content:

CustomerID LastName FirstName LifelinePhoneNumber CustomerAccountNumber ResidenceStreetAddressLi ne ResidenceCity ResidenceState ResidenceZip5 ResidenceZip4 MailingStreetAddressLine MailingCity MailingState MailingZip5 MailingZip4 Di scount\_Type\_Cd | Service\_Type\_Cd EnrollmentDate | ServiceStartDate | AnniversaryDate | LastTransactionOperationType | LastTransactionDate | Custo merResponseDueDate TPIV\_Flag | E ligibilityProgram | BQP\_LastName | BQP\_FirstName | BQP\_MiddleName | 50000021 | GONZALEZ | MARY | 5125557867 | 95664833881 | 123 Main Street Apt 10 | DALLAS | TX | 78596 | 123 Main Street Apt 10 DALLAS TX 78596 BVB F 11/15/2020 11/17/2020 11/16/2021 Enroll 11/

15/2020 | 0 MEDICAID | TRL 1

### **Summary Report**

This is a summary report of all the active customers for the given date. The file will be provided only via On-demand report request. The file will be pipe delimited. The header record will contain column headings. There is no trailer record.

The On-demand file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\OnDemand

Filename: As provided by the carrier in the GenerateReport API

#### File Format:

Field Name	Description	Examples
Date	Summary Report Date	12/09/2020
Count	No. of customer enrolled on the given date	250

Sample File Name: As provided by the carrier in the GenerateReport API

Sample File Content:

Date Count 12/09/2020 250 12/10/2020 259 259

#### Customer Approved Forms Report

This is a report of all the customers that were reported in the snapshot report and that had a form reviewed and approved by LIDA. The file will be provided on the 1st of every month. The file generated will be a ZIP file which will have a comma delimited text file with each field enclosed in double quotation marks. The text file will be a mapping file which will provide the customer information along with the document name. The zip file will also have the actual PDF document(s) of the form. The text file contains header record.

The monthly file will be available in the following location:

Folder: \TSP200000nnn\output\

Filename: TSP200000nnn\_FORMS\_yyyymm.ZIP

The zip file will contain the following text file and 1 or more PDF files.

TSP200000nnn\_FORMS\_Map\_yyyymm.txt

The file contains records of enrolled records where each field is enclosed in double quotation marks and delimited by comma.

2022-01-20.69830e61-3b70-47dc-834e-9597a2a3f310.pdf
The PDF version of the scanned form that was reviewed by LIDA.

 $\Gamma$  nnn = TSPId

 $\Gamma$  yyyymm = Year & month of the report

#### Format of the .txt file:

Field Name	Description	Examples
CustomerID	Unique ID for the customer regardless of their carrier association. Field added for new process.	50000016
LastName	The last name of the customer	Jones
FirstName	The first name of the customer	Joseph
SSN4	The social security number of the customer	5632
DOB	The Date of Birth of the customer	06/23/1997
TelephoneNumber	The 10-digit telephone number of the customer	5125558712
AccountNumber	The account number assigned to this customer by the carrier.	
FormType	Type of the form that was approved by LIDA.  Certification – Certification form  Recertification – Annual Recertification  form Worksheet – Household Worksheet	Certification Recertificatio n Worksheet

IntakeMethod	Method that customer used to complete the form.	Other
	Other Customer sent form via avail avail or NDT or	Website
	Other – Customer sent form via snail mail or NRT or	IVR
	Website	
	Application package	
	Website – Customer completed form on the website WRCustomer completed form using IVR	
DocumentName	Document name of the PDF version of the scanned form	2022-01-
	that was reviewed by LIDA.	20.69830e61-3b70-
	If Intake method is Other, then document name will be	47dc-834e-
	provided. If intake method is Website or IVR a	9597a2a3f310.pdf
	document is not available. The value provided for this	NA
ApprovalDate	be "N	
	:11	

Sample File: TSP200000999 \_FORMS\_202201.ZIP

The zip file will contain the following 2 or more

files:

TSP200000nnn\_FORMS\_Map\_yyyymm.t

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2022-01-20.69830e61-3b70-47dc-834e-9597a2a3f310.pdf 2022-01-29.88812e13-5f56-23er-123r-3428f2r3x819.pdf

Sample File Content of TSP200000999\_FORMS\_202201.txt:

"CustomerID", "LastName", "FirstName", "SSN4", "DOB", "TelephoneNumber", "AccountNumber", "FormType", "IntakeMeth od", "DocumentName", "ApprovalDate"

29.88812e13-5f56-23er-123r-3428f2r3x819.pdf", "02/01/2022"

"50000029", "SMITH", "ALICIA", "7149", "08/15/1983", "5125554651", "511275862-1", "Worksheet", "Website", "Not Available", "02/03/2022"

# Appendix A

List of Transaction Operation Types for Daily Activity Return File

Transaction Operation Type	Description
Enroll	Customer has been enrolled into the TXLAD system
	Customer has been enrolled into the TXLAD system due
EnrollTransfer	to customer transferring in
De-enroll	Customer has been de-enrolled from the TXLAD system
	Customer has been de-enrolled from the TXLAD system due
De-enrollTransfer	to customer transferring out
NameUpdateLetter	Name change letter was sent to the customer
ResidenceAddressUpdateLetter	Residence Address change letter was sent to the customer
NameAndResidenceAddressUpdateLett	Name & Residence Address change letter was sent to the customer
ResidenceAddressCASSFailureLetter	Residence Address CASS failure letter was sent to the customer
ResidenceAddressCASSCorrection	Residence Address CASS correction received by TXLAD
	TXLAD identified duplicate enrollments for same customer. The
	customer and carrier was chosen as the winning record and
Track1Letter	customer has been notified about the selection. No further action
	required.
	TXLAD identified possible duplicate enrollments in same
	household. Track-
Track2Letter	2 letter with IEH form has been sent to the customer. Customer
	Track-
Track3Letter	3 letter with Cert form has been sent to the customer. Customer
DiscountTypeUpdate	Personne days had be forest e customer. This applies to Prepaid carrier with ETP status.
RecertInitialLetter	Annual Federal Recertification letter was sent to the customer.
RecertApproved	Annual Federal Recertification for the customer was Approved.
	Annual Federal Recertification for the customer was Denied by
	TXLAD reviewer. The customer still has time till end of the
RecertDenied	Recert period to Recertify.
	A Renewal Application was sent to the customer for State discount
State Renewal	eligibility. This is only applicable to ETP carriers.

## Appendix B

### List of TXLAD De-enrollment Reasons

De-enroll Reason Code	De-enroll Reason
2	DE-ENROLLED
3	DE-ENROLLED NEW DISCOUNT- CERT FORM REQUIRED
4	DE-ENROLLED SINGLE DISCOUNT
5	DE-ENROLLED TRACK 1 DUPLICATE - CERT FORM SENT
6	DE-ENROLLED TRACK 2 NAME DUPLICATE - HOUSEHOLD FORM SENT
7	DE-ENROLLED TRACK 2 SSN DUPLICATE - HOUSEHOLD FORM SENT
8	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CERTIFICATION FORM REVIEW
9	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO HOUSEHOLD FORM REVIEW
11	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CASS FAILURE
12	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NOT MATCHING IN THE CURRENT PROCESS MONTH
13	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NAME AND ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM SENT
14	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NAME CHANGE - CERT FORM NOT RETURNED
15	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO ADDRESS CHANGE - CERT FORM NOT RETURNED
16	DE-ENROLLED TRACK 3 SSN DUPLICATE - CERT FORM NOT RETURNED
20	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO DENIED RECERTIFICATION REVIEW
21	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NON-RESPONSE TO RECERTIFICATION
23	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NRT DUPLICATE
24	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NRT EXPIRY
25	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO DENIED CERTPLUS REVIEW
26	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NON-RESPONSE TO CERTPLUS
27	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO INELIGIBLE STATE ONLY DISCOUNT QUALIFICATION
28	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO BLOCK REQUESTED TO STOP DISCOUNT
29	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO OUTDATED CERT OLDER THAN 90 DAYS
30	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CARRIER NON SUBMISSION
31	CUSTOMER WITH THE TELEPHONE NUMBER PROVIDED NOT FOUND IN THE TXLAD
33	SDE-ENRYSTEM OLLED DUE TO CARRIER STATING CUSTOMER IS DECEASED
34	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CARRIER STATING CUSTOMER IS LEAVING
35	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CARRIER STATING CUSTOMER IS NOT USING SERVICE
36	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO CUSTOMER TRANSFERRING SERVICE TO ANOTHER CARRIER
37	DE-ENROLLED DUE TO NON-RESPONSE TO STATE RENEWAL

## Appendix C

## List of Service Types

Service	Service Type Description
	Bundled Broadband service. Offers broadband and voice but meets minimum service
BB	standards for broadband only.
ВО	Broadband Only service.
	Bundled Voice service. Offers broadband and voice, but meets minimum service standards
BV	for voice only.
BVB	Bundled Voice Broadband service. Meets minimum service standards for both voice and
VO	Voice broadband. Only service.

## Appendix D

## List of Eligibility Programs

Eligibility	Program Description
SNAP	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
MEDICAID	Medicaid
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
CHIP	Health Benefit Coverage Under Child Health Plan
FPHA	Federal Public Housing Assistance
VASH	Veterans Pension Benefit or Survivors Pension
LIHEAP	Benefit Low-Income Energy Assistance Program
TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
NSLP	National School Lunch Program
Income	Approved via Income
TribalBIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) General Assistance
	Tribal Temporary Assistance for Needy
TribalTANF	Families (Tribal TANF)
	Food Distribution Program on Indian
TribalFDPIR	Reservations (FDPIR)
TribalHS	Tribal Head Start

Note: LIHEAP, TANF & NSLP are State only programs. These programs only apply to ETP carriers.

## Exhibit 3 – SAMPLE REPORTS

## **LITE-UP Texas Enrollment Summary Report**

## November 2014

Enrollment Statistics	October 2014	<b>Novembe 2014</b>
Number of Active Telephone Service Providers	129	129
Number of TSP Records Loaded	3,798,685	3,659,691
	,	, ,
Number of Active Retail Electric Providers	68	67
Number of REP Records Loaded	6,154,216	6,161,030
Number of Records Provided for Telephone Discount Match	5,711,056	5,736,083
Number of Records Provided for Electric Discount Match	2,422,570	2,424,288
Number of Records Provided by HHSC	5,525,152	5,557,884
Number of HHSC Records Added	267,705	286,629
Number of HHSC Records Deleted	259,641	253,897
Number of HHSC Renewal Records	62,645	59,565
Number of Self-Enrollment Records	102,909	71,919
Number of Renewal Records (grace period)	261,667	122,171
Number of Records Expired due to Lack of Renewal (60-day report)	94,213	95,911
Eligibility Statistics		Novembe
	October 2014	2014
Number of Records Matched for Telephone Discount	711,863	723,382
Direct Enrollee Records Matched for Telephone Discount	701,796	714,216
Self-enrollment Records Matched for Telephone Discount	10,067	9,166
Self-enrollment Records Eligible for Telephone Discount	188,213	180,078
Number of Records Matched for Electric Discount	592,894	590,524

<b>Direct Enrollee Records Matched for Electric Discount</b>	523,270	523,142
<b>Self-enrollment Records Matched for Electric Discount</b>	69,624	67,382
Self-enrollment Records Eligible for Electric Discount	194,280	183,220

		Novemb
Production Statistics	October 2014	2014
<b>Self-Enrollment Applications Processed</b>	15,918	6,960
<b>Self-enrollment Applications Certified for Telephone</b>	9,649	4,201
<b>Self-Enrollment Applications Rejected for Telephone</b>	6,269	2,759
<b>Self-enrollment Applications Certified for Electric</b>	9,640	4,475
<b>Self-Enrollment Applications Rejected for Electric</b>	6,278	2,485
Cert/Worksheet Production (incl. Duplicative reviews)	24,201	22,966

Note: Production Statistics are based on calendar month rather than process month.

		<u>Novembe</u>
Fulfillment Statistics	October 2014	2014
<b>New Application Requests</b>	7,865	3,496
<b>Renewal Notifications</b>	64,095	61,308
<b>Application Status Letter</b>	8,920	3,496

New Discount Letters	20,905	19,125
Cert/Worksheet Rejection Letters	14,552	8,806
<b>Instant Status Notifications</b>	8,047	3,414

		November
Other Information	October 2014	2014
<b>Incoming Applications - UPS</b>	11,678	7,043
<b>Incoming Applications - Faxed</b>	3,361	2,072
Incoming Certs/Worksheets - UPS	13,320	9,096
Online Application Requests	5,071	2,941
<b>Cricket Applications</b>	66	10

# **LIDA Operations Rejection Code Summary**

November 2014

Code	Rejection Reasons	Electric	Telephone
3	Applicant not eligible for Medicaid	5	-
9	No Income Documentation	1,225	693
12	No signature	290	455
13	Income exceeds 150% of the fed	-	88
14	No Benefit Documentation	407	-

15	Name on telephone bill does not match the application name	-	13
16	Name on electric bill does not match the application name	4	-
17	Name(s) on proof of eligibility do not match app name	6	-
25	Income Tax Documents not signed	7	10
26	Insufficient proof of income	268	322
27	Address on proof of eligibility does not match app address	10	132
28	Address on Telephone Bill does not match app address	-	28
29	Address on Electric Bill does not match app address.	22	-
30	Income exceeds 125% of the fed	260	-
50	No Documentation Provided with Application	85	57
54	No Benefit Documentation	-	792
71	No Cert Form/HH Worksheet	-	1,463
72	No SS# and/or Date of Birth Provided	-	254
80	ID verification DOB is below minimum	-	3
81	ID verification no DOB available	-	35
82	ID verification SSN does not match	-	29
84	ID verification SSN issued prior to DOB	-	8
85	ID verification SSN not found	-	13

86	ID verification Subject is deceased	-	1
87	ID not located	-	37

# **LIDA Operations TSP Summary**

## November 2014

# (Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

TSP ID	TSP Name	Received Date	Status	Submitted	Loaded	Rejected	Discounts	% Rejected
20000001	Company 1	11/19/2014	On- Time	1,088	1,061	27	35	2.54%
200000002	Company 2	10/30/2014	On- Time	9,335	9,327	8	159	0.09%
200000003	Company 3	11/19/2014	On- Time	3,304	3,195	109	281	3.41%
200000004	Company 4	11/17/2014	On- Time	729	695	34	44	4.89%
200000005	Company 5	11/19/2014	On- Time	57	48	9	0	18.75%
200000006	Company 6	11/19/2014	On- Time	3,153	3,083	70	137	2.27%
20000007	Company 7	11/19/2014	On- Time	1,777	1,774	3	205	0.17%
200000008	Company 8	11/18/2014	On- Time	745	738	7	29	0.95%

200000009	Company 9	11/18/2014	On- Time	407		407	0		17	0	.00%			
200000010	Company 10	11/17/2014	On- Time	2,622		2,622	0		177	0	.00%			
200000011	Company 11	11/19/2014	On- Time	4,234		4,234	0		191	0	.00%			
200000016	Company 12	11/19/2014	On- Time	1,475		1,417	58		55	4	.09%			
20000017	Company 13	11/17/2014	On- Time	4,651		4,563	88		110	1	.93%			
200000018	Company 14	11/18/2014	On- Time	2,578		2,556	22		130	0	.86%			
200000019	Company 15	11/18/2014	On- Time	1,079		1,048	31	2	20	2.96%		I		
200000020	Company 16				11/	/17/2014	On- Time		623		622	1	30	0.16%
200000021	Company 17				11/	/19/2014	On- Time		1,098	}	892	206	3	23.09%
200000023	Company 18				11/	/14/2014	On- Time		15,03	37	15,003	34	928	0.23%
200000024	Company 19				11/	/18/2014	On- Time		623		604	19	51	3.15%
200000025	Company 20				11/	/19/2014	On- Time		312		309	3	19	0.97%

200000026	Company 21	11/18/2014	On- Time	11,215	11,215	0	688	0.00%
20000027	Company 22	11/18/2014	On- Time	2,000	1,999	1	17	0.05%
200000028	Company 23	11/19/2014	On- Time	603	585	18	30	3.08%
200000029	Company 24	11/18/2014	On- Time	12,864	12,841	23	298	0.18%

#### **LIDA Operations REP Summary**

#### November 2014

		Received						%
REP_Id	Rep_Name	Date	Status	Submitted	Loaded	Rejected	Discounts	Rejected
100000003	Company 1	11/20/2014	On-Time	8,625.00	8,625.00	0.00	339	0.00%
100000006	Company 2	11/19/2014	On-Time	181,050.00	179,338.00	1,712.00	34017	0.95%
100000008	Company 3	11/19/2014	On-Time	205,556.00	205,365.00	191.00	25884	0.09%
100000011	Company 4	11/19/2014	On-Time	107,071.00	106,614.00	457.00	20429	0.43%
100000012	Company 5	11/19/2014	On-Time	117,740.00	117,740.00	0.00	5334	0.00%
100000014	Company 6	11/19/2014	On-Time	3,804.00	3,804.00	0.00	124	0.00%
100000015	Company 7	11/18/2014	On-Time	205,978.00	205,649.00	329.00	29408	0.16%
100000018	Company 8	11/20/2014	On-Time	1,263,118.00	1,263,115.00	3.00	100164	0.00%

100000019	Company 9	11/20/2014	On-Time	31,065.00	31,064.00	1.00	1146	0.00%
100000021	Company 10	11/18/2014	On-Time	34,245.00	33,996.00	249.00	2600	0.73%
100000022	Company 11	11/20/2014	On-Time	1,506,967.00	1,506,936.00	31.00	132551	0.00%
100000025	Company 12	11/19/2014	On-Time	40,944.00	40,352.00	592.00	4201	1.47%
100000026	Company 13	11/18/2014	On-Time	110,251.00	110,082.00	169.00	7406	0.15%
100000029	Company 14	11/20/2014	On-Time	925.00	925.00	0.00	107	0.00%
100000031	Company 15	11/20/2014	On-Time	5,748.00	5,748.00	0.00	1813	0.00%
100000033	Company 16	11/20/2014	On-Time	124,577.00	124,577.00	0.00	5223	0.00%
100000034	Company 17	11/20/2014	On-Time	34,035.00	34,035.00	0.00	1620	0.00%
100000035	Company 18	11/20/2014	On-Time	318,219.00	318,219.00	0.00	41891	0.00%
100000037	Company 19	11/17/2014	On-Time	96,042.00	95,792.00	250.00	2049	0.26%
100000040	Company 20	11/20/2014	On-Time	3,825.00	3,825.00	0.00	68	0.00%
100000043	Company 21	11/17/2014	On-Time	9,490.00	8,862.00	628.00	955	7.09%
100000045	Company 22	11/20/2014	On-Time	30,417.00	30,414.00	3.00	532	0.01%
100000046	Company 23	11/20/2014	On-Time	385,399.00	384,254.00	1,145.00	49110	0.30%
100000047	Company 24	11/19/2014	On-Time	242.00	188.00	54.00	3	28.72%
100000049	Company 25	11/19/2014	On-Time	12,239.00	12,238.00	1.00	585	0.01%

Texas LIDA 6-Month TSP Rolling Report

November 2014

TSP_Id	TSP_Name	Total	201412	201501	201502	201503	201504	201505
200000002	Company 1	5	1	1	-	1	2	-
200000003	Company 2	12	3	4	-	2	3	-
20000004	Company 3	6	1	1	1	-	2	1
200000006	Company 4	1	•	-	-	-	-	1
20000007	Company 5	3	1	1	-	-	1	-
200000008	Company 6	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
200000010	Company 7	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
200000011	Company 8	4	-	1	-	1	-	2
200000016	Company 9	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
20000017	Company 10	8	-	1	-	3	4	-
20000018	Company 11	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
200000019	Company 12	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
200000023	Company 13	14	4	1	3	1	3	2
200000024	Company 14	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
200000026	Company 15	7	1	1	-	3	1	1
200000027	Company 16	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
200000028	Company 17	2	-	-	-	-	1	1
200000029	Company 18	15	3	1	2	2	5	2

200000030	Company 19	3	-	-	1	1	1	-
200000032	Company 20	32	6	6	3	4	8	5
200000033	Company 21	9	1	-	2	2	3	1
200000034	Company 22	3	1	2	-	-	-	-
200000035	Company 23	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
20000040	Company 24	1	-	-	-	-	1	-

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100000049	Company 25	31	7	4	7	5	7	1
100000052	Company 26	72	8	17	13	12	11	11
100000055	Company 27	15	2	2	4	1	1	

# February 2023 CALL REASON REPORT

	Assurance Wireless	Callback Requested	Cass Call	Change of Address	Check App Status - NOT	Check Pr St
2/1/2023	19	0	0	5	1	
2/2/2023	31	2	0	0	1	
2/3/2023	14	2	1	1	1	
2/4/2023	5	0	1	0	0	
2/5/2023	11	0	0	1	0	
2/6/2023	32	1	1	1	4	

2/7/2023	29	0	2	1	5	
2/8/2023	22	1	2	1	2	
2/9/2023	48	2	1	0	9	
2/10/2023	31	0	2	3	5	
2/11/2023	20	0	0	0	2	
2/12/2023	3	0	1	0	2	
2/13/2023	28	1	2	0	2	
2/14/2023	26	2	2	1	7	
2/15/2023	41	1	0	1	10	
2/16/2023	29	1	3	0	3	
2/17/2023	24	0	1	1	3	
2/18/2023	10	0	1	0	1	
2/19/2023	4	0	0	0	0	
2/20/2023	18	1	1	0	9	
2/21/2023	25	0	0	0	10	
2/22/2023	19	0	0	1	4	
2/23/2023	22	1	3	2	13	
2/24/2023	10	0	0	0	5	
2/25/2023	12	0	0	0	6	
2/26/2023	6	0	1	1	0	
2/27/2023	24	0	1	0	6	
2/28/2023	13	2	1	1	5	
Total	576	17	27	21	116	

# Call Reason Report Columns Represented:

Redacted Provider Name
Callback Requested
Cass Call
Change of Address
Check App Status - NOT
Check Prepaid App Status
Created New Application
Cust Hung Up
Device and Service Question
Electric Discount Question
Eligibility
Form Assistance
Ghost Call
IVR English
IVR Spanish
No Longer receiving disc
No Longer wants discount
Other Prepaid Company
Program Questions
Redacted Provider Name
Received Rejection Letter
Redacted Provider Name
Sup Transfer
System Issues
Test
Voicemail Message Left
Voicemail NO MSG
Wrong Number
Total

November 2014 ACD Report

Date	Day of the Week	Offered	Answered	Abandons	Abandon %	Talk Time Minutes	Handle Time	Time to Answer	Average Duration (Minutes)	Average Duration (Duration Format)	% Answered In SLA	Answer Rate	Hold Minutes
English													
3/1/2023	Wednesday	325	300	25	7.69%	2,302.26	2,467.85	10.84	7.67	00:07:40	14.15%	92.31%	589.77
3/2/2023	Thursday	305	260	45	14.75%	2,076.19	2,246.04	17.25	7.99	00:07:59	10.49%	85.25%	555.17
3/3/2023	Friday	241	220	21	8.71%	1,913.54	2,052.65	12.31	8.70	00:08:41	12.86%	91.29%	532.11
3/4/2023	Saturday	97	86	11	11.34%	729.07	752.06	5.89	8.48	00:08:28	16.49%	88.66%	166.52
3/5/2023	Sunday	77	75	2	2.60%	560.68	586.88	1.21	7.48	00:07:28	67.53%	97.40%	76.26
3/6/2023	Monday	305	262	43	14.10%	2,088.65	2,254.38	19.03	7.97	00:07:58	12.46%	85.90%	508.07
3/7/2023	Tuesday	353	302	51	14.45%	2,221.04	2,399.01	13.85	7.35	00:07:21	10.20%	85.55%	515.75
3/8/2023	Wednesday	326	275	51	15.64%	2,371.59	2,547.10	16.86	8.62	00:08:37	5.83%	84.36%	634.70
3/9/2023	Thursday	266	247	19	7.14%	2,058.91	2,216.78	5.27	8.34	00:08:20	23.31%	92.86%	538.17
Spanish													
3/1/2023	Wednesday	29	24	5	17.24%	184.27	194.89	7.43	7.68	00:07:40	24.14%	82.76%	24.00
3/2/2023	Thursday	30	29	1	3.33%	263.35	279.18	8.88	9.08	00:09:04	6.67%	96.67%	70.34
3/3/2023	Friday	27	25	2	7.41%	207.62	221.49	7.05	8.30	00:08:18	25.93%	92.59%	39.97
3/4/2023	Saturday	8	8	0	0.00%	58.40	60.23	7.15	7.30	00:07:18	0.00%	100.00%	6.46
3/5/2023	Sunday	5	5	0	0.00%	41.40	42.64	0.32	8.28	00:08:16	100.00%	100.00%	4.97
3/6/2023	Monday	40	34	6	15.00%	266.30	281.88	18.54	7.83	00:07:49	10.00%	85.00%	36.93

3/7/2023	Tuesday	46	39	7	15.22%	344.52	365.88	15.45	8.83	00:08:50	10.87%	84.78%	69.61
3/8/2023	Wednesday	29	24	5	17.24%	187.52	201.28	11.04	7.81	00:07:48	20.69%	82.76%	39.51
3/9/2023	Thursday	33	31	2	6.06%	338.57	356.73	6.42	10.92	00:10:55	21.21%	93.94%	87.13

## $Monthly\ (Report)\ By\ ZIP\ Code-November\ 2014\ (Partial\ Shown\ for\ Brevity)$

#### Grand

		Granu	
CITY	BIP		Total
-	-		6,310
	Subtotal		6,310
ABBOTT	76621		1
	Subtotal		1
ABERNATHY 79	311		5
	Subtotal		5
ABILENE	79601		30
	79602		41
	79603		74
	79604		1
	79605		43
	79606		18
	79608		1
	Subtotal		208
ADDISON	75001		3
	Subtotal		3
ADKINS	78101		3
	Subtotal		3
AGUA DULCE 7	8330		4
	Subtotal		4
ALAMO	78516		72
	Subtotal		72
ALBA	75410		4
	Subtotal		4
ALBANY	76430		2

# Call Center Handle Time – November 2014 (Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

Skill	Skill	Month	Day	Handle Time
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-01	1,060.10
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-02	362.60
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-03	6,323.17
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-04	4,905.27
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-05	4,811.78
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-06	4,677.00
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-07	5,265.77
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-08	1,843.08
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-09	556.89
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-10	8,165.69
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-11	4,991.42
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-12	5,347.70
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-13	4,450.41
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-14	4,033.08
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-15	889.79

LUTX_Englis				
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-16	399.28
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-17	6,467.54
LUTX_Englis	DO 171_Dinguish	201111	20111117	0,107.21
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-18	4,950.88
LUTX_Englis h	LUTY English	2014-11	2014-11-19	4,133.52
	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-19	4,133.32
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-20	3,905.99
LUTX_Englis	T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	2014 11	2014 11 21	2.555.00
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-21	3,757.88
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-22	1,030.83
LUTX_Englis				
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-23	389.77
LUTX_Englis		201111	20111121	
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-24	5,587.92
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-25	4,036.15
LUTX_Englis				
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-26	2,723.12
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-27	113.34
LUTX_Englis				
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-28	1,363.78
LUTX_Englis h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-29	960.70
LUTX_Englis				
h	LUTX_English	2014-11	2014-11-30	350.84
LUTX_Spanis h	LUTX_Spanish	2014-11	2014-11-01	189.75

LUTX_Spanis h	LUTX_Spanish	2014-11	2014-11-02	52.31
LUTX_Spanis				
h	LUTX_Spanish	2014-11	2014-11-03	1,153.13
LUTX_Spanis				
h	LUTX_Spanish	2014-11	2014-11-04	971.52
LUTX_Spanis				
h	LUTX_Spanish	2014-11	2014-11-05	1,049.20

# Performance Measurements Report – November 2014 (Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

#1 Production - Target 7 Business Days				
<b>Due Date</b>	Applications	Completion Date	Objective Met?	
11/1/2014				
11/2/2014				
11/3/2014	1,048	11/3/2014	Yes	
11/4/2014	98	11/4/2014	Yes	
11/5/2014	517	11/5/2014	Yes	
11/6/2014	493	11/6/2014	Yes	
11/7/2014	1,031	11/7/2014	Yes	
11/8/2014				
11/9/2014				
11/10/2014	119	11/10/2014	Yes	
11/11/2014	48	11/11/2014	Yes	
11/12/2014	398	11/12/2014	Yes	
11/13/2014	322	11/13/2014	Yes	

#2 - Monthly Process	
	November
Process Month	2014
REP Discount Files Due	11/28/2014
<b>REP Discount Files</b>	
Provided	11/28/2014
Objective Met?	Yes
TSP Discount Files Due	11/28/2014
TSP Discount Files	
Provided	11/28/2014
Objective Met?	Yes

#3 - Renewals	
<b>Process Month</b>	November 2014
File Posted	11/23/2014
File Size	61,308
<b>Due Date</b>	12/2/2014

11/14/2014	291	11/14/2014	Yes
11/15/2014			
11/16/2014			
11/17/2014	559	11/17/2014	Yes
11/18/2014	123	11/18/2014	Yes
11/19/2014	401	11/19/2014	Yes
11/20/2014	481	11/20/2014	Yes
11/21/2014	138	11/21/2014	Yes
11/22/2014			
11/23/2014			
11/24/2014	91	11/24/2014	Yes
11/25/2014	644	11/25/2014	Yes
11/26/2014	614	11/26/2014	Yes
11/27/2014			
11/28/2014			
11/29/2014			
11/30/2014			

Date Complete	12/2/2014
Objective Met?	Yes

	November
Month	2014
Now Incidents	711

New Incidents	711
24 Hr. Response	711
Objective Met?	Yes
Open Incidents at	
month end	16

# #5 - Monthly Reporting

#4 - Customer Service

Month	November 2014
Invoice Due	12/10/2014
Objective Met?	Yes
<b>Hub Report Due</b>	12/10/2014
Objective Met?	Yes
Report Package Due	12/12/2014
Objective Met?	Yes

#### **Fulfillment Daily Emails:**

(Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

Subject: LITEUP Recert Soft Denials Print File Created for date: 033123

LITEUP Recert Soft Denials Print File Created for date: 033123

File Created: E:\TXLIDA\FulfillmentCenter\Output\03312023\_PP\_RollingRecert\_SoftDenials.txt

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Lifeline Selection Letter Files Created for: 03/31/2023

Track-1 Letters Generated: 1

File Created: E:\TXLIDA\FulfillmentCenter\Output\PrepaidTrack1Letters20230331.txt

Track-2 Letters Generated: 0

File Created: E:\TXLIDA\FulfillmentCenter\Output\PrepaidTrack2Letters20230331.txt

Track-3 Letters Generated: 0

File Created: E:\TXLIDA\FulfillmentCenter\Output\PrepaidTrack3Letters20230331.txt

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#### **Fulfillment Weekly/Dail Emails:**

Subject: PROD EP - MissingCertList File Created for RunDate : 3/31/2023 5:09:16 AM

MissingCertList File Created for RunDate: 3/31/2023 5:09:16 AM

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Subject: LITEUP Cert Resend File Created for date: 033123

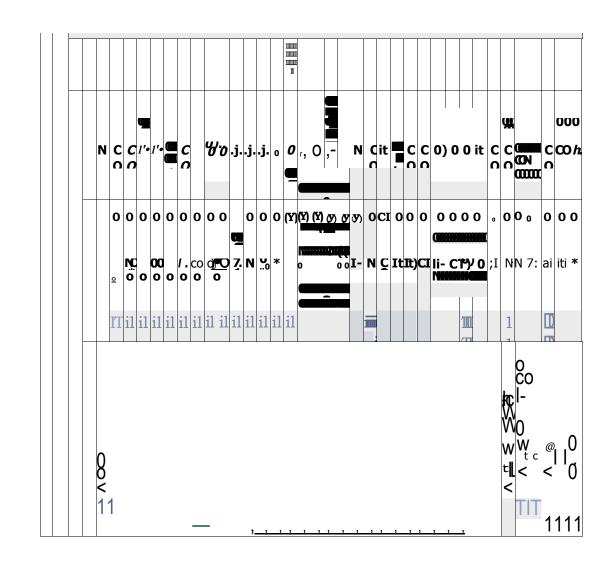
LITEUP Cert Resend File Created for date: 033123

File Created: E:\TXLIDA\FulfillmentCenter\Output\CertResendLetter20230331.txt

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# **Fulfillment Invoice:**

#### (Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	RATE	AMOUNT	ID
OUTPUT SERVICES				
(CASS)				
CONSTRUCTION	327.0			
FILE PROCESSING	327.0			
POD LETTER: 1 SHEET	327.0			
SUBTOTAL FOR (CASS):				
ADDRESS CHANGE (ADC)				
CONSTRUCTION	518.0			
FILE PROCESSING	518.0			
POD LETTER: 3 SHEETS	518.0			
SUBTOTAL FOR ADDRESS CHANGE (ADC):				
CERT PLUS DECEASED LETTER (CPDL)				
CONSTRUCTION	29.0			
FILE PROCESSING	29.0			
POD LETTER: 3 SHEETS	29.0			
SUBTOTAL FOR CERT PLUS DECEASED LETTER (CPDL):				
CERTIFICATION DENIAL LETTER (CTR_C)				
CONSTRUCTION	434.0			
FILE PROCESSING	434.0			
POD LETTER: 3 SHEETS	434.0			
SUBTOTAL FOR CERTIFICATION DENIAL LETTER (CTR_C):				

# **Valdidation Invoice:**

#### **New Activity Summary**

Date	Tax Code	Description		Amount
1/31/2023	OL	80563 Instant ID [XML]		
1/31/2023	OL	Tax OL - Online subscriptions		
			Total Charges	
			Total Tax	
		0.00		

#### **BRM Postage Account Detail:**

#### (Partial Shown for Space Considerations)

1	DATE	DESCR.	Postage	Deposits	RUNNING BALANCE	Piece Count	Comments:
482	3/6/2023	11001	95.15		\$7,994.84	137	
483	3/7/2023		7.65		\$7,987.19	11	
484	3/8/2023		8.35		\$7,978.84	12	
485	3/9/2023		32.67		\$7,946.17	47	
486	3/10/2023		11.82		\$7,934.35	17	
487	3/11/2023				\$7,934.35		
488	3/12/2023				\$7,934.35		
489	3/13/2023		37.41		\$7,896.94	54	
490	3/14/2023		36.84		\$7,860.10	53	
491	3/15/2023		41.71		\$7,818.39	60	
492	3/16/2023		101.47		\$7,716.92	146	
493	3/17/2023		117.89		\$7,599.03	70	
494	3/18/2023				\$7,599.03		
495	3/19/2023				\$7,599.03		
496	3/20/2023		211.85		\$7,387.18	305	
497	3/21/2023		13.21		\$7,373.97	19	
498	3/22/2023		35.38		\$7,338.59	51	
499	3/23/2023		49.35		\$7,289.24	71	
500	3/24/2023		62.55		\$7,226.69	90	
501	3/25/2023				\$7,226.69		
502	3/26/2023				\$7,226.69		
503	3/27/2023		102.8		\$7,123.89	148	
504	3/28/2023		13.91		\$7,109.98	20	
505	3/29/2023		15.29		\$7,094.69	22	
506	3/30/2023		18.77		\$7,075.92	27	
507	3/31/2023		29.89		\$7,046.03	43	
508	March23'		1090.19	0	\$7,046.03	1459	

#### **Production Confirmations:**

# **LIDA Call Center Minutes March, 2023**

March 2023 Handle Time				
Campaign Name	Skill Name	Handle Time		
Texas LIDA	LUTX English	58,285.57		
Texas LIDA	LUTX Spanish	6,111.69		
Texas LIDA	LUTX_Supervisor	52.68		

LIDA – Application Reviews - March, 2023 LIDA Cert Reviews – March, 2023 LIDA IEH Form Reviews – March, 2023 12,278

2,587

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# Certification Form & Household Worksheet Reviews

2,929

#### LIDA Online Application Requests - March, 2023

Form Statistics Q	Process Month Q		
	March 2023		
Incoming Applications - UPS	331		
Incoming Applications - Faxed	135		
Incoming Certs/Worksheets - UPS	1,259		
Online Application Requests - Completed	389		
Online Application Requests - Printed By Customer	18		
Online Application Requests - Requested to Send	69		

### LIDA Online Application Submissions with Successful Supporting **Documentation Upload March, 2023**

**Online Application Submissions: 476** 

#### TSP Summary Breakout by Discount Type

TSP ID	TSP Name	В	F	S	Total
	Company 1	5	0	17	22
20000002	Company 2	55	0	388	443
20000003	Company 3	41	1	103	145
20000004	Company 4	5	0	17	22
20000005	Company 5	0	0	0	0
	Company 6	19	8	81	108
20000008	Company 7	41.	6	74	121
	Company 8	1	0	9	10
20000010	Company 9	38	0	97	135
20000011	Company 10	17	1	67	85
	Company 11	15	0	43	58
20000017	Company 12	21	0	64	85
20000018	Company 13	20	5	39	64
70000019	Company 14	d	n	11	17
	Company 15	7	0	25	32
200000021	Company 16	2	0	8	10
	Company 17	0	123	0	123
	Company 18	262	3	1,173	1,438
	Company 19	8	0	27	35
200000025	Company 20	2	0	4	6
	Company 21	105	17	346	468
200000028	Company 22	8	0	16	24
200000029	Company 23	19	9	107	135
	Company 24	4	0	21	25
200000032	Company 25	107	0	586	693

#### Exhibit 4 - HHS DATA USE AGREEMENT AND SUBCONTRACTOR AGREEMENT

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