## California Public Utilities Commission Consumer Service and Information Division

## **Communications Industry**

Consumer Contacts that Require Enhanced Processing Presented by Utility Company, Category and Subcategory March 2017

This report presents a subset of total consumer contacts reported in Table 1. This data represents consumer contacts that require enhanced processing for resolution of consumers' complaints. These cases are known as Informal Complaints (ICs) and are sent to the appropriate utility for investigation. The utility must respond to the CPUC and address the allegations of the complaint. The following table reports the ICs by utility company and the nature of the complaint by category and the more specific subcategory.

**Table 2 - Communications Industry Contacts:** The companies listed in the table are organized in alphabetical order. Companies' names in this list may not reflect the company name under which services are marketed to the consumer.

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CER4451	Air Voice Wireless, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
			Total ICs	1
CLC1001,	AT&T California	Billing	Bill Adjustment	6
LEC1001		Billing	Bill Not Received	1
		Billing	Bundled Services	1
		Billing	Cramming	2
		Billing	High Bill	11
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	3
		Billing	Other Charges	2
		Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	3
		Billing	Payment Arrangements	1
		Billing	Payment Error	1
		Billing	Slamming	2
		Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	11
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	5
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	1
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
		Policy and Practices	Obscene/Threatening/Harassing Calls	1
		Policy and Practices	Safety	4
		Service	Call Quality	8
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	8
		Service	Disconnected In Error	4
		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	3
		Service	Outage	30
		Service	Refusal To Serve	3
			Total ICs	119

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CLC5002, CLC6346, IEC5002, IEC6346	AT&T Corp.	Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments  Total ICs	1
				1
IEC5800	AT&T Long Distance	Billing	High Bill Total ICs	1
CEC3014,	AT&T Mobility	Billing	Bill Adjustment	3
CEC3021		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
		Billing Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF High Bill	4 8
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	1
		Billing	Other Charges	4
		Billing	Prepaid Phone Cards	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
		Service	Call Quality	1
		Service	Dead Zones/Dropped Calls	1
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	2
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	2
		Service	Refusal To Serve	1
			Total ICs	31
CLC7118,	Birch Communications	Billing	Other Charges	1
CRC7118	Bir of Golfmanications	Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
		Service	Outage	1
			Total ICs	3
CLC5633,	Blue Casa Telephone, LLC	Billing	Payment Error	1
IEC5633	, ,		Total ICs	1
DVS1333	Broadvoice, Phone Power	Billing	Other Charges	1
			Total ICs	1
CLR7127,	Central Telecom Long Distance,	Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
IER7127	Inc.		Total ICs	1
CLC6878,	Charter	Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
CLR6878,		Service	Outage	1
IEC6878 <sup>°</sup>			Total ICs	2
CLC5698,	Comcast Digital Phone	Service	Outage	1
IEC5698	Johnson Digital Filono	COLVICO	Total ICs	1
CLC1015,	Consolidated Communications	Billing	High Bill	2
LEC1015	Consolidated Communications	Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	1
			Total ICs	3
CLC5684,	Cox; Cox Communications; Cox	Billing	High Bill	6
IEC5684,	Business	Billing	Other Charges	1
		Service	Call Quality	1
		Service	Outage	2
			Total ICs	10
IEC6226	Earthlink Business, LLC	Billing	High Bill	1
			Total ICs	1

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CER4436	enTouch	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	2
			Total ICs	2
CLC1002,	Frontier California, Inc.	Billing	Bill Adjustment	10
LEC1002		Billing	Bill Not Received	2
		Billing	Bundled Services	6
		Billing	Cramming	2
		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	4
		Billing	High Bill	20
		Billing	Other Charges	2
		Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	1
		Billing	Payment Error	2
		Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	3
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	6
		Policy and Practices	Safety	1
		Policy and Practices	White Page Listings - Telephone Directory	1
		Service	Call Quality	3
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	12
		Service	Disconnected In Error	1
		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
		Service	Outage	34
		Service	Refusal To Serve	2
			Total ICs	117
LEC1026	Frontier Communications of the	Service	Outage	1
	Southwest, Inc.		Total ICs	1
CLC6842	Granite Telecommunications,	Service	Call Quality	1
	LLC		Total ICs	1
CER4372	I-Wireless, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
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CED4440	Life Wireless	II ifalina	LLD Application Degrees	1
CER4442	Life Wireless	Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
			Total ICs	2
CEC3079	MetroPCS	Billing	Payment Error	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
			Total ICs	2
IER7029	Multiline Long Distance, Inc.	Billing	Slamming	1
ILI\ <i>1</i> UZ3	multiline Long Distance, Inc.	Dilling	Total ICs	1
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CLC6005, IEC6005	Peak Communications	Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing <i>Total ICs</i>	1 1
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CER4487,	Preferred Long Distance, Inc.	Billing	High Bill	1
CLC5502,		Billing	Slamming	2
CLR5502,		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	4
IEC5502			Total ICs	7

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LEC1017	Siskiyou Telephone Company	Lifeline	LLB Application Request  Total ICs	1
				1
CEC3062,	Sprint; Sprint PCS	Billing	Bill Adjustment	2
CER4332,		Billing	Cramming	1
CLC5112,		Billing	High Bill	3
CLC5122, IEC5112,		Billing	Other Charges	3
PCC3062,		Policy and Practices Service	Abusive Marketing Call Quality	<u> </u>
PCC3064,		Service	Refusal To Serve	<u>'</u> 1
PCC3066		CCIVICC	Total ICs	12
	Curalink Mahila, TruCannat	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	
CER4380	Surelink Mobile; TruConnect	Lifeline	Total ICs	2 <b>2</b>
CED4444	Tow Mobile 11.0	I ifalina		
CER4411	Tag Mobile, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment  Total ICs	<u> </u>
IER6804	Tele Circuit Network Corporation	Billing	Cramming	1
			Total ICs	1
CER4398,	Telepacific Communications	Billing	High Bill	1
CLC5248,				
CLC5721,				
CLC5859,				
CLR5721,				
IEC5248,				
IEC5721, IEC5859				
			Total ICs	1
CLC6874,	Time Warner Cable	Billing	Bundled Services	1
CLR6874,		Billing	High Bill	4
DVS1158,				11
•		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	3
IEC6874,		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
IEC6874,			Abusive Marketing Outage	3 2 1
IEC6874, IER6874		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing Outage Total ICs	3
IEC6874, IER6874	T-Mobile (Brightspot; Go-Smart	Policy and Practices Service Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment	3 2 1 <b>8</b>
IEC6874, IER6874	Mobile; Univision Mobile;	Policy and Practices Service Billing Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record	3 2 1 <b>8</b> 10 2
IEC6874, IER6874	` • · ·	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill	3 2 1 <b>8</b> 10 2 6
•	Mobile; Univision Mobile;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges	3 2 1 <b>8</b> 10 2 6 1
IEC6874, IER6874	Mobile; Univision Mobile;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1
IEC6874, IER6874	Mobile; Univision Mobile;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments  Total ICs	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 2
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21
IEC6874, IER6874	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing Lifeline	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment LLB Approved for Discount	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing Lifeline	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment LLB Approved for Discount	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing Lifeline Lifeline	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21 1 5 1
IEC6874, IER6874 CEC3056	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile)  TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	Policy and Practices Service  Billing Billing Billing Policy and Practices Service  Billing Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing Outage  Total ICs  Bill Adjustment Disputed Customer of Record High Bill Other Charges Abusive Marketing Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments Total ICs  Bill Adjustment LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Abusive Marketing	3 2 1 8 10 2 6 1 1 1 21 1 5 1 12 2

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CLC5253,	Verizon Access Transmission	Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	1
IEC5253	Services		Total ICs	1
CEC3029	Verizon Wireless, LLC	Billing	Bill Adjustment	2
	, in the second	Billing	Bundled Services	1
		Billing	High Bill	5
		Billing	Other Charges	2
		Billing	Payment Error	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
		Policy and Practices	Safety	1
		Service	Call Quality	1
			Total ICs	17
CER4327	Virgin Mobile; Assurance	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
	,	Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	2
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	1
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	13
			Total ICs	17
LEC1019	Volcano Telephone Company	Service	Call Quality	1
	, ,		Total ICs	1
CLR6884	WTI Communications, Inc.	Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	1
	,		Total ICs	1
CLC5553,	XO Communications Services	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
IEC5553			Total ICs	1
			Total ICs Sent 1	419

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to the carryover of cases received in previous months, there are slight differences between the total number of ICs sent to the utilities and the number of written contacts received in a month.