California Public Utilities Commission Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division Consumer Affairs Branch

Communications Industry

Consumer Contacts that Require Enhanced Processing Presented by Utility Company, Category and Subcategory January 2018

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 (s) 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 s 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	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
Code				
CER4451	Air Voice Wireless, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
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CER4458	AmeriMex Communications Corp.	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	3
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CLC1001, LEC1001	AT&T California	Billing	Bill Adjustment	3
LECTOOT		Billing	Bundled Services	3
		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	2
		Billing	High Bill	8
		Billing	Other Charges	10
		Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	1
		Billing	Payment Error	1
		Billing	Slamming	1
		Billing	Toll Dispute	1
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	21
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	2
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
		Service	Call Quality	5
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	11
		Service	Disconnected In Error	1
		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
		Service	Outage	27
		Service	Refusal To Serve	5
			AT&T California Total	108
CLC5002, IEC5002	AT&T Corp.	Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
			AT&T Corp. Total	1
CEC3014, CEC3021	AT&T Mobility	Billing	Bill Adjustment	6
		Billing	Bundled Services	1
		Billing	Cramming	3
		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	2
		Billing	High Bill	3
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	2
		Billing	Other Charges	4
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	4
		Service	Dead Zones/Dropped Calls	1
		Service	Disconnected In Error	1
			AT&T Mobility Total	27

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CLC7118, CRC7118	Birch Communications	Billing	High Bill	2
			Birch Communications Total	2
CLC6878,	Charter	Billing	Bundled Services	1
CLR6878,		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	1
IEC6878		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
		Service	Outage	1
			Charter Total	4
CLR5227,	Clear Choice Communications;	Billing	Other Charges	1
IEC5227	Excel Communications;			
	Matrix Business Technologies;			
	Trinsic Communications;			
	VarTec Telecom	Excel Communications: Ma	 atrix Business Technologies; Trinsic Communications;	1
	Glear Ghoice Communications,	Excer Communications, we	VarTec Telecom Total	•
CLC5698,	Comcast Digital Phone	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
IEC5698		Service	Outage	1
			Comcast Digital Phone Total	2
CLC1015,	Consolidated Communications	Service	Refusal To Serve	1
LEC1015				
			Consolidated Communications Total	1
CLC5684,	Cox; Cox Communications; Cox	Billing	Bundled Services	1
IEC5684	Business	Billing	Other Charges	1
		Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	1
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
		(Cox; Cox Communications; Cox Business Total	5
CLC1002,	Frontier California, Inc.	Billing	Bill Adjustment	3
LEC1002		Billing	Bill Not Received	1
		Billing	Bundled Services	2
		Billing	High Bill	4
		Billing	Other Charges	7
		Billing	Slamming	1
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	4
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
		Service	Call Quality	4
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	8
		Service	Disconnected In Error	3
		Service	Outage	5
			Frontier California, Inc. Total	47
CLC6842, IEC6842	Granite Telecommunications, LLC	Billing	Premise Visit Charges	1
000 72			Granite Telecommunications, LLC Total	1
CER4372	I-Wireless, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
	,		I-Wireless, LLC Total	1
CEC3079	MetroPCS	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
			MetroPCS Total	1
CER4487,	Preferred Long Distance, Inc.	Billing	Slamming	2
CLC5502,			_	
CLR5502,				
IEC5502				
IER6882	Ougger Communications Com	Dilling	Preferred Long Distance, Inc. Total Slamming	1
IER0002	Quasar Communications Corp.	Billing	-	
CED4544	Donublio Wireless Inc	Comico	Quasar Communications Corp. Total	
CER4511	Republic Wireless, Inc	Service	Operator Services	1
		Service	Outage	1
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CLC7002,	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
CI DZ000	•	Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
CLR7002			·	
CLR7002		Service	Outage Sonic Telecom, LLC Total	1

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Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CLC7005,	Southern California Telephone	Service	Outage	1
IER7055	Company			
			Southern California Telephone Company Total	1
CEC3062,	Sprint; Sprint PCS	Billing	Bill Adjustment	2
CER4332,		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
CLC5112,		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	1
CLC5122,		Billing	High Bill	2
IEC5112, PCC3062.		Billing	Other Charges	3
PCC3062, PCC3064,		Billing	Payment Error	1
PCC3066		Billing	Toll Dispute	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
		Service	Dead Zones/Dropped Calls	1
		Service	Outage	1
			Sprint; Sprint PCS Total	16
CER4380	Surelink Mobile; TruConnect	Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	2
			Surelink Mobile; TruConnect Total	3
CER4411	Tag Mobile, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	1
			Tag Mobile, LLC Total	1
CER4398,	Telepacific Communications	Service	Outage	1
CLC5248,				
CLC5721,				
CLC5859,				
CLR5721,				
IEC5248,				
IEC5721, IEC5859				
1203033			Telepacific Communications Total	1
CLC6874,	Time Warner Cable	Billing	Bundled Services	5
CLR6874,		Billing	Cramming	1
DVS1158,		Billing	High Bill	1
IEC6874,		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
IER6874		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
		Service	Outage	1
			Time Warner Cable Total	10
CEC3056	T-Mobile (Brightspot; Go-Smart	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart	Billing	Bill Not Received	1
	Family Mobile)	Billing	High Bill	1
		Service	Refusal To Serve	1
	T-Mobile (Brights		Jnivision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile) Total	4
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CER4231	TracFone Wireless (Net10: Page	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
CER4231	TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple	Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
CER4231	TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel	Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request	1
CER4231	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple	Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount	3
CER4231	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	3
CER4231	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment	3 1 6
CER4231	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless)	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve	3 1 6 1
CER4231	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless)	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	3 1 6
CLC5807	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless)	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve	3 1 6 1
	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) TracFone Wireless (Net1	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service 0; Page Plus Wireless;	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	3 1 6 1 14
	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) TracFone Wireless (Net1	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service 0; Page Plus Wireless;	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total	3 1 6 1 14
CLC5807	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) TracFone Wireless (Net1 Utility Telephone	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service 0; Page Plus Wireless; Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total Number Portability - Wireless or Landline Utility Telephone Total	3 1 6 1 14
CLC5807 CER4386,	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) TracFone Wireless (Net1 Utility Telephone	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service 0; Page Plus Wireless; Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total Number Portability - Wireless or Landline Utility Telephone Total	3 1 6 1 14
CLC5807 CER4386, CER4438,	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) TracFone Wireless (Net1 Utility Telephone	Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Lifeline Service 0; Page Plus Wireless; Service	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request LLB Approved for Discount LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier LLB Federal Program/Equipment Refusal To Serve SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total Number Portability - Wireless or Landline Utility Telephone Total	3 1 6 1 14

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CEC3002, CEC3029,	Verizon Wireless	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
		Billing	Cramming	4
CEC3038		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
		Billing	High Bill	6
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	1
		Billing	Other Charges	4
		Billing	Out of Service Credit - OOS	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
		Service	Call Quality	1
		Service	Outage	1
			Verizon Wireless Total	22
CER4327	Virgin Mobile; Assurance Wireless	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	2
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	6
			Virgin Mobile; Assurance Wireless Total	9
LEC1019	Volcano Telephone Company	Policy and Practices	Safety	1
Volcano Telephone Company Total				
Total ICs Sent ¹				

¹ Due to the carryover of cases received in previous months, there are slight differences between the total number of s sent to the utilities and the number of written contacts received in a month.