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 November 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 (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
CLC6342, IER6342	ACN Communications Services, Inc.	Service	Outage	1
			ACN Communications Services, Inc. Total	1
CER4451	Air Voice Wireless, LLC	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
			Air Voice Wireless, LLC Total	1
CER4458	AmeriMex Communications Corp.	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
		•	AmeriMex Communications Corp. Total	1
CLC1001,	AT&T California	Billing	Bill Adjustment	3
LEC1001		Billing	Bill Not Received	1
		Billing	Bundled Services	1
		Billing	Cramming	2
		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	2
		Billing	High Bill	5
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	3
		Billing	Other Charges	3
		Billing	Toll Dispute	1
		Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	11
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	3
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	1
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
		Policy and Practices	Safety	2
		Service	Call Quality	7
		Service	Dead Zones/Dropped Calls	1
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	10
		Service	Disconnected In Error	2
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
		Service	Outage	11
		Service	Refusal To Serve	2
			AT&T California Total	76
CEC3014,	AT&T Mobility	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
CEC3021		Billing	High Bill	7
		Billing	Other Charges	5
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
		Service	Call Quality	2
		Service	Outage	1
			AT&T Mobility Total	18

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CLC5335, IEC5335, IEC6018	CenturyLink	Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
			CenturyLink Total	1
CLC6878,	Charter	Billing	Cramming	1
CLR6878,		Billing	High Bill	1
IEC6878		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
		Service	Disconnected In Error	1
		Service	Outage	1
		I	Charter Total	5
CLC5698,	Comcast Digital Phone	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
IEC5698		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	1
		Billing	Payment Error Call Quality	1
		Service Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	2
		Service	Comcast Digital Phone Total	
CED 4220	Canaumar Callular Inc	Contino	-	6
CER4328	Consumer Cellular, Inc.	Service	Call Quality Consumer Cellular, Inc. Total	1
CLC5684,	Cox; Cox Communications; Cox	Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	3
IEC5684	Business	Policy and Practices	Safety	1
1203004	Busiliess	Service	Outage	3
		Dervice	Cox; Cox Communications; Cox Business Total	7
CLR5233, IEC5233	CREDO; Working Assests Long Distance	Billing	Other Charges	1
			CREDO; Working Assests Long Distance Total	1
CER4460	Cricket Wireless, LLC	Service	Dead Zones/Dropped Calls	1
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Cricket Wireless, LLC Total	1
CER4436	enTouch	Lifeline	LLB Application Request	1
			enTouch Total	1
CLC1002,	Frontier California, Inc.	Billing	Bill Adjustment	2
LEC1002	· ·	Billing	Bundled Services	2
		Billing	Cramming	1
		Billing	Early Termination Fee - ETF	2
		Billing	High Bill	6
		Billing	Other Charges	3
		Billing	Payment Error	1
		Billing	Premise Visit Charges	1
		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	3
		Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	2
		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
		Service	Call Quality	1
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	6
		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
		Service	Outage	1
	local New York Control	Insur	Frontier California, Inc. Total	35
	Google North America, Inc.; Project	Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
CER4478	FI By Google			
			e North America, Inc.; Project FI By Google Total	1
	FI By Google Life Wireless	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	1
			LLB Address Error LLB Application Request	1 1
CER4442	Life Wireless	Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request Life Wireless Total	1 1 2
		Lifeline Lifeline Billing	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request Life Wireless Total Other Charges	1 1 2 1
CER4442	Life Wireless	Lifeline Lifeline	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request Life Wireless Total Other Charges Call Quality	1 1 2
CEC3079	Life Wireless	Lifeline Lifeline Billing	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request Life Wireless Total Other Charges Call Quality MetroPCS Total	1 1 2 1
CER4442	Life Wireless	Lifeline Lifeline Billing	LLB Address Error LLB Application Request Life Wireless Total Other Charges Call Quality	1 1 2 1

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CLC6005, IEC6005	Peak Communications	Billing	High Bill	1
			Peak Communications Total	1
CER4487,	Preferred Long Distance, Inc.	Billing	Slamming	1
CLC5502,		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
CLR5502, IEC5502				
			Preferred Long Distance, Inc. Total	2
CLC7002, CLR7002	Sonic Telecom, LLC	Billing	Other Charges	1
CLR7002			Sonic Telecom, LLC Total	1
CEC3062,	Sprint; Sprint PCS	Billing	Cramming	1
CER4332,	The state of the s	Billing	High Bill	3
CLC5112,		Billing	Other Charges	3
CLC5122,		Billing	Payment Error	1
IEC5112,		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	2
PCC3062,		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
PCC3064,		Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
PCC3066				
		l	Sprint; Sprint PCS Total	12
CER4380	Surelink Mobile; TruConnect	Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	1
			Surelink Mobile; TruConnect Total	1
CER4410,	TC Telephone, LLC; Horizon Cellular	Lifeline	LLB Discount Switched to Other Carrier	3
CLC6875,		Policy and Practices	Abusive Marketing	1
CLR6875,				
IEC6875				
			TC Telephone, LLC; Horizon Cellular Total	4
CER4398,	Telepacific Communications	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
CLC5248,		Service	Outage	1
CLC5721,				
CLC5859,				
CLR5721,				
IEC5248,				
IEC5721,				
IEC5859				
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CLC6874,	Time Warner Cable	Billing	Bill Adjustment	1
CLR6874, DVS1158,		Billing	High Bill	1
IEC6874,		Billing	Payment Error	1
IEC6874, IER6874		Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	1
ILIXO074		Service Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline Outage	1
		Service		
CEC3056	T-Mobile (Brightspot; Go-Smart	Billing	Time Warner Cable Total Bill Adjustment	6
CEC3030	Mobile; Univision Mobile; Walmart	Billing	High Bill	2
	Family Mobile)	Billing	Other Charges	1
	ranny wobite)	Service	Disconnection Non Payment	1
	T-Mohile (Rrigh		e; Univision Mobile; Walmart Family Mobile) Total	5
CER4231	TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page	Billing	Bill Not Received	1
	Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple	Billing	Other Charges	3
	Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless;	Lifeline	LLB Application Request	2
	TelCel America; Total Wireless)	Lifeline	LLB Approved for Discount	2
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TracFone Wireless (Net10; Page Plus Wireless; SafeLink, Simple Mobile; Straight Talk Wireless; TelCel America; Total Wireless) Total				
CER4441	UVNV, Inc.	Billing	High Bill	1
		Service	Number Portability - Wireless or Landline	1
			UVNV, Inc. Total	2

Utility Code	Utility Name	Category	Subcategory	Count
CEC3002, CEC3029,	Verizon Wireless	Billing	Cramming	1
		Billing	Disputed Customer of Record	1
CEC3038		Billing	High Bill	3
		Billing	Late Payment Charge - LPC	1
		Billing	Other Charges	3
		Service	Delayed Orders/Missed Appointments	1
			Verizon Wireless Total	10
CER4327	Virgin Mobile; Assurance Wireless	Lifeline	LLB Address Error	2
		Lifeline	LLB Application Request	6
		Lifeline	LLB Federal Program/Equipment	2
			Virgin Mobile; Assurance Wireless Total	10
IER6985	Windstream Communications, Inc.	Billing	Other Charges	1
			Windstream Communications, Inc. Total	1
			Grand Total	226

¹ 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.