

News Release

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LNGS ATTORNEYS HELP OBTAIN MORE LIFELINE ETC DESIGNATIONS FOR BUDGET PREPAY, INC.

Three more state public utility commissions have designated LNGS client, Budget PrePay, Inc., an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC). These ETC designations will enable Budget PrePay to obtain Lifeline support from the federal Universal Service Fund for qualified low-income customers.

The Vermont Public Service Board designated Budget PrePay as a Lifeline-only ETC on January 11, 2013. The Wyoming Public Service Commission designated Budget PrePay as an ETC on a statewide basis on January 15, 2013 – the first Lifeline-only ETC Designation Order ever issued by the Wyoming PSC. Most recently, on January 23, 2013, the Idaho Public Utilities Commission designated Budget PrePay as a Lifeline-only ETC.

With the assistance of LNGS, Budget PrePay has already been designated an ETC for its wireless operations in 29 states and LNGS attorneys are helping Budget PrePay obtain additional ETC designations in numerous states and territories, including Alaska, California, Hawaii, Massachusetts, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, Oregon, and Puerto Rico.

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