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Question	Response
<p>1. What outstanding monies (if any) are owed to the fund by telecom carriers?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Based on the audited financial statements as at March 31, 2020 outstanding levy was \$364M. This is broken down as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Digicel Jamaica \$219M ✓ Cable & Wireless Ja. \$145M ▪ Receivables greater than 90 days as at March 31, 2020 was \$236M and is broken-down as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Digicel Jamaica \$209M ✓ Cable & Wireless Ja. \$ 27M ▪ As at September 30, 2020 the outstanding levy was \$237M and is broken-down as follows <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Digicel Jamaica \$210M ✓ Cable & Wireless Ja. \$ 27M ▪ Receivables greater than 90 days as at September 30, 2020 was \$143M and is broken-down as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Digicel Jamaica \$119M ✓ Cable & Wireless \$ 24M
<p>2. What measures have been utilized to recover outstanding amounts from delinquent carriers?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The Fund has been in consistent communication with Digicel and Cable & Wireless to ensure better management of aged balances and to mitigate against the risk of bad debts. ▪ In addition, a Traffic Report Payment Form has been developed and implemented to track the collection and payment of levy by Cable and Wireless and Digicel over to USF on a timely basis. This initiative is new, and we are currently monitoring same to ensure the expected outcome is realized. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ This initiative came into effect in July 2020. This is in addition to the traffic report which details minutes of incoming international calls and monetary value of minutes.
<p>3. How many reports if any are owing by the carriers?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ For the period ending September 30, 2020 there is no report owing to the Fund from the carriers.
<p>4. The measures that have been taken to increase the number of report submission from terminating carriers on a timely basis.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>See 2 above.</i> This approach gives rise to an outcome of no outstanding report from the carriers as at September 2020.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="756 349 1382 450">▪ Payments from Digicel and Cable & Wireless have proven to be consistent on a monthly basis.

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Name:											
No.	Name of Carrier	Payment Period (yyyy/m/d – yyyy/m/d)	Amount Paid	Date Payment was received from Carrier	Collections Status (\$)					Last Recorded Traffic Date and the amount For Outstanding Carriers	Comments
					Current	1-30 Days	31-60 Days	61-90 Days	Over 90 Days		
1											
2											
3											
4											
5											
Prepared by:				Signature:						Date:	

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