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July 1, 2015

Barcy F. McNeal, Secretary
Docketing Division
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street, 11th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3793

Re: *In the Matter of the Annual Filing Requirements For 2015 Pertaining to
the Provisioning of High Cost Universal Service*
Case No. 15-1115-TP-COI

*In the Matter of the Annual Filing Requirements For 2015 Pertaining to
the Provisioning of Lifeline Universal Service*
Case No. 15-1116-TP-COI

FCC Form 481 Filing of Sycamore Telephone Company

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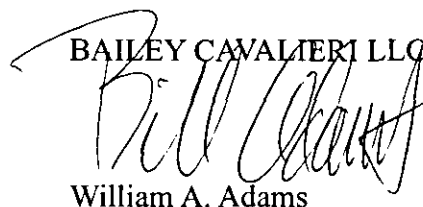
Dear Ms. McNeal:

Enclosed are four (4) copies of the **redacted** FCC Form 481-Carrier Annual Reporting that was filed with the Federal Communications Commission, along with Local Rate Floor Data for filing on the public record in the above matters on behalf of Sycamore Telephone Company. Please time stamp the extra copies and return them to our courier.

Also enclosed are four (4) **unredacted** copies of the confidential information to be filed under seal pursuant to the Motion for Protective Order filed in these matters on June 30, 2015. Please time stamp the extra copies of the confidential information being filed under seal, and return them to our courier.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

BAILEY CAVALIERI LLC

William A. Adams

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Enclosure

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**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form**

FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

<010>	Study Area Code	300658
<015>	Study Area Name	SYCAMORE TEL CO
<020>	Program Year	2016
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	4199276012 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	steve.ekleberry@sycotelco.com

ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS		54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<210>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <-- check box if no outages to report	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice) (attach descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband) 0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<420>	Mobile 0.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<430>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<440>	Fixed 0.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<450>	Mobile 0.0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<500>	Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance (check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<510>	300658oh510.pdf (attached descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<600>	Functionality in Emergency Situations (check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<610>	300658oh610.pdf (attached descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<710>	Company Price Offerings (broadband) (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<800>	Operating Companies and Affiliates (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<900>	Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)? <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/> (if yes, complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1000>	Voice Services Rate Comparability Certification Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1010>	(attach descriptive document)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Yes or No) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/> (if not, check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1110>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers (complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<2005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>	(check to indicate certification)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	(complete attached worksheet)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
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<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 4199276012 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> steve.exleberry@syctelco.com

<110> Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC? ☐ (yes) ☒ (no)
If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5
<111> year plan" filed with the FCC? ☐ (yes) ☐ (no)

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

300658oh112-117.pdf, 300658oh112-117.docx

Name of Attached Document

Please select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to §54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Not Applicable

<113> Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets
<114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received
<115> How much (USF) was used to improve service quality and how support was used to improve service quality
<116> How much (USF) was used to improve service coverage and how support was used to improve service coverage
<117> How much (USF) was used to improve service capacity and how support was used to improve service capacity
<118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings
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(800) Operating Companies
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Sycamore Telephone Company
<811>	Holding Company	Not Applicable
<812>	Operating Company	Not Applicable

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(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
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<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves
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<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation
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Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

- <921> Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.
- <922> Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- <923> Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- <924> Compliance with Rights of way processes
- <925> Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements
- <926> Compliance with Facilities Siting rules
- <927> Compliance with Environmental Review processes
- <928> Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes
- <929> Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1120> Please confirm whether terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g) (Yes, No).

<1130> Please select the appropriate response (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(g).

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers**Lifeline****Data Collection Form**

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30658oh1210.pdf

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP

Name of Attached Document

"Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:

<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, ☒

<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, ☒

<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. ☒

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation	
Data Collection Form	
<i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>	
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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

- <2010> 2nd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)i)
<2011a> 3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)ii)
<2011b> Attachment (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)iii)

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information	

Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))

- <2012> 2013 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(1))
<2013> 2014 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(2))
<2014> 2015 Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(3))
<2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Calculation (47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4))

- <2016> Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support (47 CFR § 54.313(d))
Certification Support Used to Build Broadband

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Connect America Phase II Reporting (47 CFR § 54.313(e))

- <2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification
<2018> 5th year Broadband Service Certification
<2019> Interim Progress Certification

<2020> Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

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- <2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

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Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation
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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

(3010) Progress Report on 5 Year Plan
Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))

300658oh3010.pdf	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
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Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(1)(ii). The carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.



(3012) Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(iii))

300658oh3012.pdf	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
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(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))
(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report



Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

(3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)

(3016) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

300658oh3017.pdf	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
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(3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?



If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains

(3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications

(3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3021) Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit

If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3022) Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers,

(3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant

(3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.

(3025) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
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(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends

**Certification - Reporting Carrier
Data Collection Form**

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: SYCAMORE TEL CO	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date 06/26/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Steve Ekleberry	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: General Manager/ Treasurer	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 4199276012 ext.	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 300658	Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2015
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) _____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.	
Name of Authorized Agent: _____	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Signature of Authorized Officer: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Officer: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: _____	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: _____	Filing Due Date for this form: _____
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.	

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier: _____	
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	Date: _____
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: _____	
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Attachments

REDACTED – FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

Sycamore Telephone Company
Annual Progress Report on 5 Year Plan

Line 112 Progress Report

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 54.313, in each subsequent year, Sycamore Telephone Company will file a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to 54.202(a), including maps detailing its progress towards meeting its plan targets, an explanation of how much universal service support was received and how it was used to improve service quality, coverage, or capacity, and an explanation regarding any network improvement targets that have not been fulfilled in the prior calendar year.

Although no capital improvements were required in the Sycamore, McCutchenville, or Melmore exchanges to bring subscribers to the 4/1 Mbps standard, Sycamore Telephone Company incurred approximately [REDACTED] in depreciation expense and [REDACTED] in on-going maintenance and operating expenses in calendar year 2014. The Company also has an ongoing debt service payments with RUS for approximately [REDACTED] per year. Half of this debt was incurred to upgrade the network with fiber to meet the 4/1 Mbps standard. It is reasonable to expect debt service, depreciation, maintenance, and operating expenses for the 2016 through 2019 calendar years.

FCC Form 481 – Line 112-117

Year 2014 Federal Universal Service Receipts:

Interstate Access Support	\$	
Interstate Common Line Support	\$	
Connect America Fund Support	\$	
High Cost Loop Support	\$	
Safety Net Additive Support	\$	
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$	
CAF-ICC	\$	
TOTAL	\$	

Expenditures For Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading Of Facilities and Services Supported By Federal Universal Service Funding:

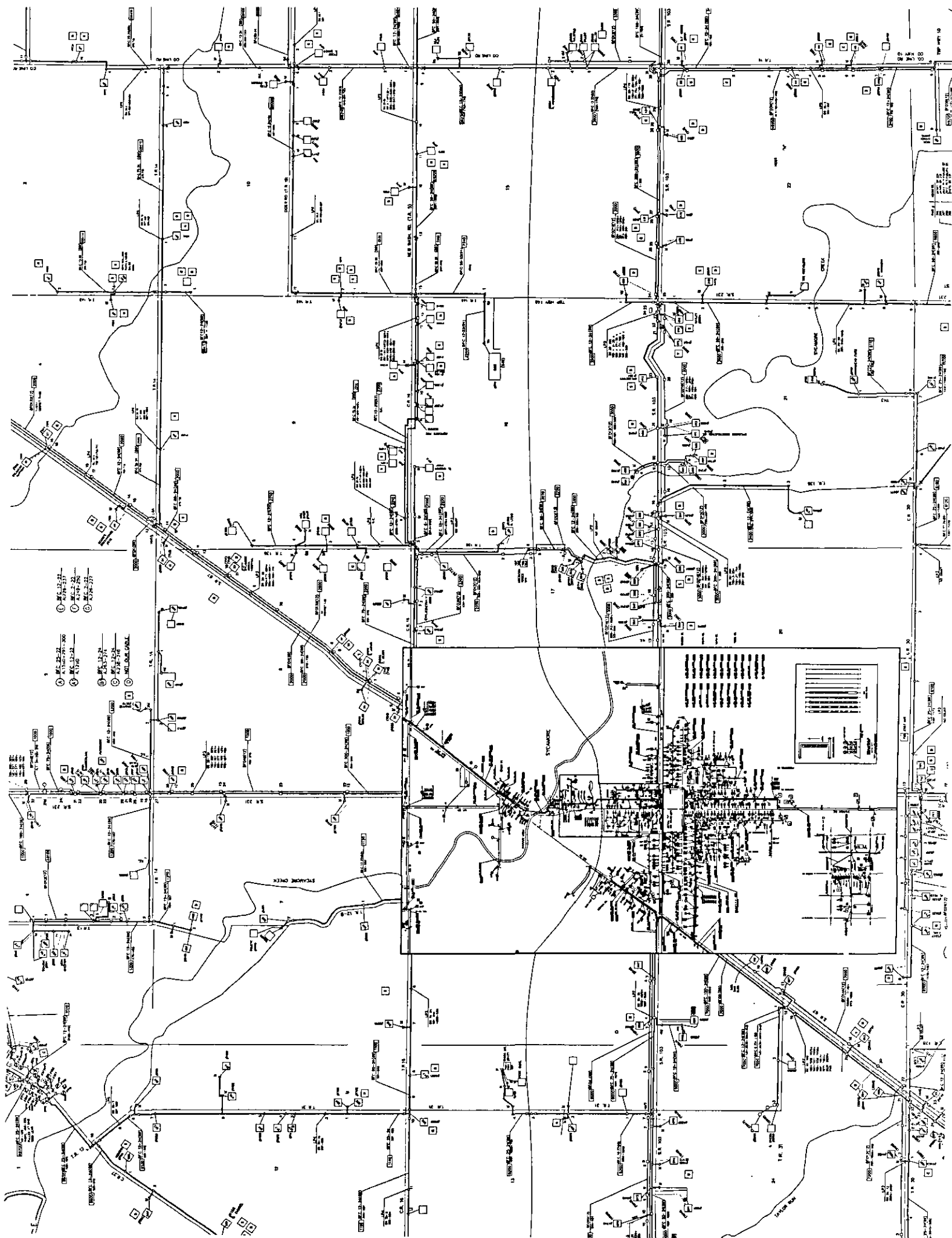
		Actual 2014
Plant Specific Operations Expenses		
Network support (Accts 6110-16)	\$	
General support (Accts 6120-24)	\$	
Central office (Accts 6210-6232)	\$	
Cable and wire facilities (Accts 6410-41)	\$	
Network operations (Accts 6530-35)	\$	
Depreciation and amortization (Accts 6560-65)	\$	
Customer Operations Expenses		
Customer services (Accts 6611-23)	\$	
Corporate Operations Expenses		
Executive and planning (Accts 6710-12)	\$	
General and administrative (Accts 6720-28)	\$	
Total Years Supported Expenses, Before Return on Investment	\$	
Total Additions/Capx	\$	
Total Supported Expenditures, Before Return on Investment	\$	

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It is estimated that [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 was used to ensure and improve *service quality*. This ensures that the network is maintained and operated to provide telecommunications and information services as well as interexchange services and advanced telecommunications that are reasonably comparable to those services offered in urban areas and are available at rates that are reasonably comparable to rates charged for similar services in urban areas. Expenditures are not tracked at the wire center or census block level and are reported here on a total service area basis. We believe it is reasonable to conclude the same [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 will be used to ensure and improve service quality in 2015.

It is estimated that [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 was used improve *service coverage* at wire centers served by our company for telecommunications and information services as well as interexchange services and advanced telecommunications (broadband). Due to these expenditures, [REDACTED] of households in our service area will have access to our broadband capable network as of July 1, 2015. Expenditures are not tracked at the wire center or census block level and are reported here on a total service area basis. We believe it is reasonable to conclude the same [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 will be used to improve service coverage in 2015.

It is estimated that [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 was used improve *service capacity* at wire centers served by our company for telecommunications and information services as well as interexchange services and advanced telecommunications (broadband). Due to these expenditures, [REDACTED] of households in our service area will have access to our broadband capable network at speeds that meet or exceed 10Mbps/1Mbps as of July 1, 2015. Expenditures are not tracked at the wire center or census block level and are reported here on a total service area basis. We believe it is reasonable to conclude the same [REDACTED] of universal service funding received in 2014 will be used to improve service capacity in 2015.



SAC: 300658

State: Ohio

Sycamore Telephone Co.

Form 481 Line No.: 510 Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection

As Required by Ohio Administrative Code "4901:1-6-12 Service Requirements for Basic Local Exchange Service (BLES)" the local services provided by Sycamore Telephone Co. are provided under internal company operating procedures and tariffs which are in compliance with applicable Ohio Public Utility Commission orders and rules including:

4901:1-6-12(c)

- (1) BLES shall be installed within five business days of the receipt by a telephone company of a completed application for new access line service, unless the customer requests or agrees to a later date.
- (2) The requirements to install BLES in paragraph (c)(1) of this rule is not applicable where any of the following exist:
 - (a) A customer or applicant has not met pertinent tariff requirements.
 - (b) The need for special equipment or service.
 - (c) Military action, war, insurrection, riot or strike.
 - (d) The customer misses an installation appointment
- (3) A LEC shall make responsible efforts to repair a BLES outage within twenty-four hours, excluding Sundays and legal holidays, after the outage is reported to the telephone company.
- (4) A BLES service outage or service-affecting problem shall be repaired within seventy-two hours after it is reported to the telephone company.
- (5) If a BLES outage is reported to the telephone company and it lasts more than seventy-two hours, the LEC shall credit every affected BLES customer, of which the LEC is aware, in the amount of one month's charges for BLES.
- (6) The customer credit in paragraph (c)(5) of this rule is not applicable if the condition or failure to repair occurs as a result of any of the following:
 - (a) A customer's negligent or willful act
 - (b) Malfunction of customer-owned telephone equipment or inside wire.
 - (c) Military action, war, insurrection, riot, or strike
 - (d) Customer missing a repair appointment.

SAC: 808413

State: Ohio

Sycamore Telephone Co.

Form 481 Line No.: 610 Description of Functionality in Emergency Situations

Sycamore Telephone Co., pursuant to Ohio Administrative Code "4901:1 1-6-31 Emergency and Outage Operations".

4901:1-6-31 Emergency and outage operations.

- (A) Each Facilities-based local exchange carrier (LEC) shall design, operate and maintain its facilities to continue to provide customers with the ability to originate and receive calls at all times. This commission will utilize existing FCC rules applicable to emergency and outage operations. Companies shall submit outage reports utilizing, at the company's discretion, either existing FCC reports or a format determined by the commission.
- (B) Each facilities-based LEC shall submit, within two hours of discovery, to the commission's outage coordinator and when appropriate, the news media in the affected area, a notification that it has experienced an outage, whenever that outage occurs on any facility that it owns, operates, leases or otherwise utilizes and it both:
 - (1) Expected to last for a period in excess of thirty minutes.
 - (2) Potentially affects at least nine hundred thousand user minutes in the incumbent local calling area.
- (C) Each Facilities-based LEC shall report, by telephone or electronic means, a disruption of 9-1-1 services, which impairs 9-1-1 service within a given county 9-1-1 system, immediately to each county 9-1-1 public safety answering point, to the Ohio 9-1-1 coordinator, and to the news media in the affected area, when appropriate.
- (D) Each facilities-based LEC experiencing a loss of communications or selective routing to a public safety answering point, as a result of an outage described under paragraphs (B) and (C) of this rule, shall also notify, as soon as possible, by telephone or electronic means, any official who has been designated by the management of the affected 9-1-1 facility as the LEC's contact person for communication outages at that facility; and the LEC shall convey to that person all available information that may be useful to the management of the affected facility in mitigating the effects of the outage on efforts to communicate with that facility.
- (E) Each facilities-based LEC experiencing an outage described under paragraphs (B) and (C) of this rule, shall electronically submit to the commission's outage coordinator the same information as that provided to the FCC or the following information:
 - (1) A notification that it has experienced an outage, which shall include the name of the reporting entity, the date and time of the onset of the outage, a brief description of

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the problem, the particular service affected, the geographic area affected by the outage, the number of customers affected, an estimate of when the service, including 9-1-1, will be restored, and a contact name and telephone number by which the commission's outage coordinator at contact the reporting entity.

- (2) Not later than seventy-two hours after discovering the outage, an initial communications outage report, which shall include all pertinent information then available on the outage and shall be submitted in good faith.
 - (3) Not later than thirty days after discovering the outage, the provider shall submit electronically a final communications outage report, which shall include all pertinent information on the outage, including any information that was not contained in, or that had changed from that provided in, the initial report.
- (F) Each facilities-based LEC shall develop, implement, and maintain an emergency plan and make it available for review by commission staff. The plan shall include, but not limited to, all of the following:
- (1) Procedures for maintaining and annually updating a list of those customers who have subscribed to the federal telecommunications service priority program, as identified in 47 C.F.R. 64, appendix A.
 - (2) Procedures for priority treatment in restoring out-of-service trouble of an emergency nature for customers with documented medical or life-threatening condition.
 - (3) In addition to the telecommunications service priority program, each LEC shall develop policies and procedures regarding those customers who require priority treatment for out-of-service clearance. Such procedures shall include a table of restoration priority, including, but not limited to, subscribes such as police and fire stations, hospitals, key medical personnel, and other utilities.
 - (4) Procedures for restoring service to priority critical facilities customers.
 - (5) Identification and annual updates for all of the facilities-based LEC's critical facilities and reasonable measures to protect its personnel and facilities.
 - (6) Assessments and evaluations of telecommunications facilities available to provide back-up service capabilities.
 - (7) Procedures for after-action assessments and reporting following activation of any part of the emergency plan. An after-action report will be written and will include

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lessons learned, deficiencies in the response to the emergency, and deficiencies in the emergency plan.

- (8) A current list of names and telephone numbers of the facilities-based LEC's emergency service personnel to contact and coordinate with in the event of a real or anticipated local or national threats to its ability to provide telecommunications service.
- (9) A current list of the names and telephone numbers of the facilities-based LEC's emergency service personnel that is made available to the commission's emergency coordinator, upon request.
- (10) A continuity of operations plan to assume continuance of minimum essential functions during a large scale event in which staffing is reduced. Such plans shall provide for:
 - (a) Plan activation triggers such as the world health organization's pandemic phase alert levels, widespread transmission within the United States, or a case at one or more locations within Ohio.
 - (b) Identification of a pandemic coordinator and team with defined roles and responsibilities for preparedness and response planning.
 - (c) Identification of minimal essential functions, minimal staffing required to maintain such essential functions, and personnel resource pools required to ensure continuance of those functions in progressive stages associated with a declining workforce.
 - (d) Identification of essential employees and critical inputs (e.g., raw materials, equipment, suppliers, subcontractor services/products, and logistics) required to maintain business operations by location and function.
 - (e) Policies and procedures to address personal protection initiatives.
 - (f) Policies and procedures to maintain lines of communication with the public utilities commission of Ohio during a declared emergency.
 - (g) Each facilities-based LEC shall amend its emergency plan in accordance with the findings identified in the after-action assessment report required under paragraph (F)(7) of this rule.

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<010>	Study Area Code	300658
<015>	Study Area Name	SYCAMORE TEL CO
<020>	Program Year	2016
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Steve Ekleberry
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	4199276012 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	steve.ekleberry@sycotelco.com

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Sycamore Telephone Company

Lifeline Terms and Conditions

Sycamore Telephone Company ("Sycamore") offers Lifeline program-supported service to qualified low-income residential consumers for one telephone line per eligible household. The Lifeline program provides discounts to eligible low-income consumers to help them establish and maintain telephone service. Lifeline assistance lowers the cost of basic, monthly local telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive \$9.25 per month in discounts. In addition, the Federal Universal Service Charge is not assessed to consumers participating in Lifeline. Toll Blocking prevents the placement of all long distance calls for which a subscriber would be charged. Toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost. Also, by choosing this option, consumers are usually not charged a deposit.

Lifeline Program Eligibility Information

Program Based Eligibility

Consumers are eligible for Lifeline if they, one of their dependents or their household participate in one of the following qualifying assistance programs:

Medicaid
Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
Low Income Housing Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly Food Stamps)
Ohio Works First/Temporary Aid to Needy Families (TANF)
National School Lunch Program Free Lunch Program
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
SSI – Blind and Disabled (SSDI)
General/Disability Assistance

Lifeline applicants must present documentation demonstrating eligibility either through participation in one of the qualifying federal assistance programs or through income-based means.

Acceptable documentation of program-based eligibility includes: current or prior year's statement of benefits from a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; notice letter of participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; program participation documents; or another official document evidencing the consumer's participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program.

Income Based Eligibility

In addition, consumers are eligible for Lifeline if their household income is at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines.

Acceptable documentation of income eligibility includes: prior year's state, federal or Tribal tax return; current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub; social security statement of benefits; Veterans Administration statement of benefits; retirement/pension statement of benefits; unemployment/workmen's compensation statement of benefits; federal or Tribal notice of letter participating in General Assistance; or a divorce decree or child support award or other official document containing income information.

Numbers of Minutes-of-Use Provided as Part of Lifeline Program Service

Sycamore's Voice Lifeline service includes unlimited local minutes-of-use within the toll-free calling area. Sycamore's Voice Lifeline Plan does not include any free minutes-of-use for toll. Toll is billed at the standard toll rate depending on which interexchange carrier the consumer subscribes to for toll service. As part of the Lifeline service, Toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost.

Rates

Subscribers may receive the Lifeline credit on any type or grade of local service, including bundled services that are normally offered by Sycamore Telephone Company. Advertised rates do not include any applicable taxes or surcharges.

Recertification of Lifeline Eligibility

Lifeline recipients are required to recertify their eligibility annually. Failure to properly recertify a recipient's continued eligibility for the Lifeline program will result in termination of the Lifeline recipient's monthly Lifeline discount and de-enrollment from the Lifeline Program.

Additional Lifeline Program Information

The Lifeline program is limited to one benefit per household, consisting of either wireline or wireless service. A household is defined, for purposes of the Lifeline program, as an individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline is a government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the benefit can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the program.

Sycamore Telephone Company

Progress Report of 5 Year Plan – Milestone Certification

To be in compliance with the Milestone Certification of providing upon a reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream:

- Sycamore Telephone Company certifies that it has taken reasonable steps to provide upon a reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol.
- The Company provides usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas.
- The Company certifies that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

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Progress Report on 5 Year Plan -- Community Anchor Institutions

Sycamore Telephone Company does not have any newly served community anchor institutions because all anchor institutions had broadband service available to them prior to 2014.

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	BORROWER NAME The Sycamore Telephone Company (Prepared with Audited Data)	

INSTRUCTIONS: Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period. Detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.

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CERTIFICATION

We hereby certify that the entries in this report are in accordance with the accounts and other records of the system and reflect the status of the system to the best of our knowledge and belief.

ALL INSURANCE REQUIRED BY 7 CFR PART 1788, CHAPTER XVII, RUS, WAS IN FORCE DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD AND RENEWALS HAVE BEEN OBTAINED FOR ALL POLICIES.

DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII
(Check one of the following)

☒ All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects.

☐ There has been a default in the fulfillment of the obligations under the RUS loan documents. Said default(s) is/are specifically described in the Telecom Operating Report

Richard Ekleberry

6/24/2015

DATE

PART A. BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable		
Cash-RUS Construction Fund			26. Notes Payable		
Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt		
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.		
Non-Affiliates:			31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases		
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued		
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued		
c. Notes Receivable			34. Other Current Liabilities		
Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)		
Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT		
Material-Nonregulated			36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes		
Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes		
Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes		
Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other		
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan		
Investment in Affiliated Companies			41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt		
a. Rural Development			42. Reacquired Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			43. Obligations Under Capital Lease		
Other Investments			44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		
a. Rural Development			45. Other Long-Term Debt		
b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)		
Nonregulated Investments			OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS		
Other Noncurrent Assets			47. Other Long-Term Liabilities		
Deferred Charges			48. Other Deferred Credits		
Jurisdictional Differences			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences		
Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)			50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)		
INT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY		
Telecom, Plant-in-Service			51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed		
Property Held for Future Use			52. Additional Paid-in-Capital		
Plant Under Construction			53. Treasury Stock		
Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill			54. Membership and Cap. Certificates		
Less Accumulated Depreciation			55. Other Capital		
Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits		
TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins		
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)		
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)		

Total Equity = % of Total Assets

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS

ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues		
2. Network Access Services Revenues		
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense		
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes		
19. Other Taxes		
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt		
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)		
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]		
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]		
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]		
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]		

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION							
EXCHANGE	1. RATES		2. SUBSCRIBERS (ACCESS LINES)			3. ROUTE MILES	
	B-1 (a)	R-1 (b)	BUSINESS (a)	RESIDENTIAL (b)	TOTAL (c)	TOTAL (including fiber) (a)	FIBER (b)
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MobileWireless							
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area						████	████
Total			████	████	████	████	████
No. Exchanges	1						

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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION

4. BROADBAND SERVICE

EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service					
			Number Of Subscribers (c)	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg (f)	Type Of Technology (g)
Total								

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PART D. SYSTEM DATA

1. No. Plant Employees	2. No. Other Employees	3. Square Miles Served	4. Access Lines per Square Mile	5. Subscribers per Route Mile
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PART E. TOLL DATA

1. Study Area ID Code(s)	2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one)
a. _____	Interstate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis
b. _____	
c. _____	Intrastate: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule <input type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis
d. _____	
e. _____	
f. _____	
g. _____	
h. _____	
i. _____	
j. _____	

PART F. FUNDS INVESTED IN PLANT DURING YEAR

1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended	
2. Other Long-Term Loan Funds Expended	
3. Funds Expended Under RUS Interim Approval	
4. Other Short-Term Loan Funds Expended	
5. General Funds Expended (Other than Interim)	
6. Salvaged Materials	
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction	
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7)	

PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES

INVESTMENTS	CURRENT YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DATA		
	Investment This Year	Income/Loss This Year	Cumulative Investment To Date	Cumulative Income/Loss To Date	Current Balance
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development					
2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development					

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PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES

Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority
with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)



YES



NO

EQUIPMENT CATEGORY	DEPRECIATION RATE
1. Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles	
2. Land and support assets - Aircraft	
3. Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles	
4. Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment	
5. Land and support assets - Buildings	
6. Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment	
7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers	
8. Central Office Switching - Digital	
9. Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical	
10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems	
11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems	
12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment	
13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus	
14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring	
15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges	
16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment	
17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment	
18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles	
19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal	
20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber	
21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal	
22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber	
23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal	
24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber	
25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems	
26. Cable and wire facilities - Other	

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PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
2. Net Income	
<i>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>	
3. Add: Depreciation	
4. Add: Amortization	
5. Other (Explain)	
<i>Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities</i>	
6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable	
7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory	
8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges	
9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets	
10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable	
11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments	
12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities	
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable	
15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable	
16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits	
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)	
18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits	
19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital	
20. Less: Payment of Dividends	
21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired	
22. Other (Explain)	
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)	
25. Other Long-Term Investments	
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences	
27. Other (Explain)	
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities	
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash	
30. Ending Cash	

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NOTES TO THE OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS	
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CERTIFICATION LOAN DEFAULT NOTES TO THE OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS	

Block 1 - Contact Information

ROW #	DATA ELEMENT	FORMAT OF REQUESTED DATA	RESPONSE
1	Carrier Study Area Code	6 numeric digits	300658
2	Carrier Study Area Name	alpha characters	SYCAMORE TEL. CO.
3	Service Provider Identification Number	9 numeric digits	143001678
4	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	mm/dd/yy	07/01/15
5	Contact Name	alpha characters	Ross, Shelley D
6	Contact Telephone Number (include area code)	9 numeric digits	419-927-6012
7	Sheet Number	numeric digit(s)	
8	Total Number of Sheets	numeric digit(s)	

Block 2- Residential Local Service Rates, Fees, and Line Counts

Column 1 Residential Local Service Charge	Column 2 State Subscriber Line Charge	Column 3 State Universal Service Fee	Column 4 Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	Column 5 Loops	Column 6 Exchange Name/ Zone Name	Column 7 Class Of Service
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