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If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes: Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions; <921>

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Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

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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 Accur	acy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients
certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported	s include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support d on this form and in any attachments is accurate.
Name of Reporting Carrier: FORT JENNINGS TEL CO	
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Takmy Landwehr	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Secratary Teasurer	
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 419-286-2181	
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 300614	Filing Due Date for this form: 10/15/2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

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Signature of Authorited Officer:	Date:	
Printed name of Authorized Officer:		
Title or position of Authorized Officer:		
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I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to su the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting ca		
Name of Reporting Carrier:		
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Line 510, Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

Documentation of the company's compliance with certification requirements pursuant to 47 CFR §54.313(a)(5).

In addition to the rules and regulations contained in Title 47, Code of Federal Regulations, Fort Jennings Telephone Company is subject to the following Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules of the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio:

Ohio Administrative Code

- 4901:1-6-09 Eligible Telecommunication Carrier certification (high cost and Lifeline).
- 4901:1-6-12 Service Requirements for BLES (Basic Local Exchange Service), including installation and repair intervals, deposits, payments and disconnection.
- 4901:1-6-13 Warm line service.
- 4901:1-6-14 BLES pricing parameters, including late payment charges and reconnection fees.
- 4901:1-6-15 Directory Information.
- 4901:1-6-16 Unfair or deceptive acts and practices.
- 4901:1-6-17 Truth in billing requirements.
- 4901:1-6-18 Slamming and preferred carrier freezes.
- 4901:1-6-19 Lifeline requirements.
- 4901:1-6-20 Discounts for persons with communications disabilities.
- 4901:1-6-27 Provider of last resort (POLR).
- 4901:1-6-30 Company records and complaint procedures.
- 4901:1-6-31 Emergency and outage operations.
- 4901:1-7-03 Toll presubscription.
- 4901:1-7-24 Local number portability (LNP).
- 4901:1-7-26 Competition safeguards (CPNI).

Ohio Revised Code

- 4927.06 Unfair or deceptive trade practices.
- 4927.08 Basic local exchange service standards.
- 4927.09 Access to 9-1-1 service.
- 4927.11 Access to basic local exchange service.
- 4927.12 Alteration of rates for basic local exchange service.
- 4927.13 Lifeline service for eligible residential customers.
- 4927.14 Adoption of rules for rates for persons with disabilities.
- 4927.15 Rates, terms and conditions for 9-1-1 and other services.
- 4927.17 Notice of rates, terms or conditions of service; contact information to be provided on bills and notices.

The company has established policies and procedures designed to protect consumers, including publishing the following in the telephone directory provided to each customer: customer rights, formal complaint procedures, and policies related to privacy, slamming and cramming.



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The company observes strict compliance to all CPNI rules, including training for new employees, refresher training for current employees, maintaining written practices for handling CPNI and submitting annual certifications to regulatory agencies. The CPNI manual is available for inspection at the company business office. The company uses a contracted service order administrator to process LNP requests within the time constraints contained in the rules. Customer billing is performed by a billing vendor that maintains software that complies with all truth in billing requirements, including the information that is required to be displayed on the customer bill. The company maintains a CALEA manual and utilizes a third party vendor to make sure that all CALEA requests are processed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. The CALEA manual and procedures are filed with the appropriate agencies and are also maintained at the company business office.

The company's Basic Local Exchange Service Tariff, PUCO No.5, contains BLES pricing, 9-1-1, Lifeline and IntraLATA presubscription information, terms and conditions. The tariff is available at the company business office and in the tariff section of the PUCO website http://www.puco.ohio.gov.

Other sections of FCC Form 481 contain additional information regarding the following: Lifeline terms and conditions - Line 1210 Emergency operations - Line 610



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Line 610, Functionality in Emergency Situations

Documentation of the company's processes implemented to assure compliance with certification requirements pursuant to 47 CFR \$54.313(a)(6) and \$54.202(a)(2).

The Fort Jennings Telephone Company has an employee call-out procedure in place to mobilize its entire workforce in the event of an emergency situation. The notification process utilizes landline, cellular and Internet technologies. In the event of total failure of all communications technologies, company practices include having employees report to the central office to obtain further instructions.

The central office and core network functionality is supported by 12 hours of battery reserve and a 27 kw generator set capable of running continuously for 30 hours before needing to be refueled. Network nodes containing active electronic equipment are equipped with battery backup. The company maintains 4 portable generator sets that can be deployed to network nodes in the event a power outage exceeds the battery reserve capacity.

The facility network is designed as a diverse-routed fiber optic ring, capable of instantaneously switching traffic around damaged facilities. Employees are trained in fiber optic splicing and the necessary equipment is maintained on-site for rapid deployment and restoration. Separate facilities support the PSTN and broadband network connections to other carriers. In the event that all PSTN facilities are damaged, the switch is capable of both TDM and IP formats, providing the ability to reroute PSTN traffic via dedicated IP facilities to other carriers.

The network is capable of managing traffic spikes caused by emergency situations. This is accomplished by maintaining properly sized trunk groups to the PSTN and by providing substantial broadband backbone bandwidth capable of carrying overflow voice traffic in addition to data traffic. FORT JENNINGS FJTC TELEPHONE CO.

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Line 1210, Terms and Conditions for Lifeline Customers

Fort Jennings Telephone Company, Inc. (SAC 300614) has established terms and conditions for Lifeline customers that incorporate the federal and state requirements as documented in its Basic Local Exchange Service Tariff PUCO No. 5 Section 5, First Revised Sheet No. 1.

The Company shall provide Lifeline service as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 54.401 (a) on a nondiscriminatory basis to all qualifying low-income customers. The Company's Lifeline service offering shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws, including, but not limited to, 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart E; the FCC's Lifeline reform order (Report and Order released February 6, 2012, WC Docket No, 11-42, et. al) and any subsequent clarifying orders; Section 4927.13, Revised Code; Rule 4901:1-6-19, Ohio Administrative Code; and, the Commission's nontraditional Lifeline service order (Finding and Order adopted May 23, 2012, Case No. 10-2377-TP-COI) and any subsequent entries and/or orders.

The Lifeline discount applies to Basic Local Exchange Service (BLES) as defined by Ohio Revised Code 4927.01(A)(1). For residence customers, BLES consists of local dial tone service, flat-rate telephone exchange service, touch-tone dialing service, access to and usage of 9-1-1 services, provision of a telephone directory at no charge, listing in that directory, per call caller identification blocking services, access to telecommunications relay service and access to toll presubscription, interexchange or toll providers or both, and networks of other telephone companies. The company also provides an optional toll denial feature at no additional charge. The current rate for residential BLES is \$7.05 per month inside the corporation limits and \$9.05 outside the corporation limits.

The company applies the Lifeline support amount as follows: first, to waive the End User Common Line EUCL) Charge of \$6.50 and second, to discount the residential BLES charge with the remaining balance of the support amount, in compliance with 47 CFR §54.403(b).

Residential BLES customers may also add optional service features and subscribe to a variety of long distance calling plans offered by the company. These optional services are described on the company website (http://www.fjtelephone.com) under the Services link. No discount is applied to these services because the entire Lifeline support amount is exhausted after applying it to the EUCL and BLES charges.

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# THE FORT JENNINGS TELEPHONE COMPANY

Financial Report

December 31, 2012

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS' REVIEW REPORT

Board of Directors The Fort Jennings Telephone Company Fort Jennings, Ohio 45844-0146

We have reviewed the accompanying statements of assets, liabilities, and stockholders' equity, *regulatory basis*, of **The Fort Jennings Telephone Company** (a corporation) as of December 31, 2012 and 2011, and the related statements of income and expenses, changes in retained earnings, and cash flows, *regulatory basis*, for the years then ended. A review includes primarily applying analytical procedures to management's financial data and making inquiries of Company management. A review is substantially less in scope than an audit, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and for designing, implementing, and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements.

Our responsibility is to conduct the review in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require us to perform procedures to obtain limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements. We believe that the results of our procedures provide a reasonable basis for our report.

Based on our review, with the exception of the matter described in the following paragraph, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio prescribes and orders the depreciation methods and lives of assets placed into service by the company. In some instances they do not conform with methods that are generally accepted. The effect on asset values and depreciation expenses has not been determined.

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Lima, Ohio October 7, 2013

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Combs & Company CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUIT	
CURRENT LIABILITIES Accounts payable Other taxes and expenses payable TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2012         2011           \$ 17,366         \$ 22,465           125,020         53,270           142,386         75,735
OTHER LIABILITIES Deferred taxes and revenues TOTAL OTHER LIABILITIES	<u>352,256</u> <u>259,542</u> 352,256 259,542
STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Capital Stock Authorized 2,100 shares, 1,964 and 1,980 shares issued and outstanding in 2012 and 2011 Retained earnings TOTAL STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	32,740 33,007 2,109,112 2,124,727 2,141.852 2,157,734
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	<u>\$ 2.536,494</u> <u>\$ 2,493,011</u>
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Statements of Income and Expenses Regulatory Basis See Independent Accountants' Review Report Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011	CONFIDENTIAL PUBLIC INS	
	2012	2011
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Local basic service	\$ 244,093 \$ 469,582	482,362
Network access service	32,015	33,964
Long distance network service Carrier billing and collection	1,267	1,285
Miscellaneous	106,956	
Total Income	853,913	862,636
Direct Costs:		
Cost of tolls, billing, and access	27,311	26,058
Gross Margin	826,602	836,578
Operating Expenses:		
Motor vehicle and work equipment	39,837	48,257
Land and building	15,154	15,691
Office furniture and equipment	5,729	3,986
Computer expense	2,806	4,368
Digital electronic switch	71,393	61,701
Circuit equipment	29,583	21,941
Poles	1,793	1,646
Cable and wire	78,121	74,041
Power	14,977	14,301
Network operations	27,945	32,331
Depreciation and amortization	156,572	150,847
Customer services	101,292 15,548	90,581 23,879
Executive	36,901	36,440
Accounting and finance Legal and external relations	98,104	94,835
Other general and administrative	130,157	122,572
Operating taxes	6,636	5,948
Total Operating Expenses	832,548	803,365
Operating (Loss) Income	(5,946)	33,213
Other Income and (Expense):		
Interest income	3,510	4,280
Dividend income	10,063	17,798
Investment income	30,107	3,510
Gain (Loss) on disposal of assets	7,722	(1,231)
Interest expense		(865)
Total Other Income and (Expense)	51,402	23,492
Income Before Tax Provision	45,456	56,705
Provision for income tax	33,376	14,801
NET INCOME	<u>\$ 12.080 </u> \$	6 41.904

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	2012	2011
Balance, January 1	\$ 2,124,728	\$ 2,101,727
Additions: Net income Sale of stock	12,080	41,904 4,076
Deductions: Purchase of stock Dividends	4,080 23,616	22.980
Balance, December 31	<u>\$ 2.109.112</u>	<u>\$ 2,124,727</u>

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Statements of Cash Flows Regulatory Basis See Independent Accountants' Review Report Years Ended December 31, 2012 and 2011	CONFIDENTIA PUBLIC IN	L - NOT FOR SPECTION
	2012	2011
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<b>^</b> ( <b>2 - - -</b>	•
Net Income	\$ 12,080	\$ 41,904
Adjustments To Reconcile Net Income To		
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities:	156,572	150 947
Depreciation and amortization Deferred income taxes	33,376	150,847 30,529
Gain on investments	(30,107)	(3,510)
(Gain) Loss on disposal of assets	(7,722)	1.231
Change In Assets And Liabilities	(,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	1,201
Decrease (Increase):		
Accounts receivable	4,146	2,848
Prepaid expenses	(8,981)	(990)
Materials and supplies	2,079	638
Refundable income taxes	6,240	(13,740)
Increase (Decrease):		
Accrued expenses and taxes	(6,368)	4,425
Deferred revenues	<u> </u>	470.070
Total Adjustments	208,573	172.278
Net Cash Provided By Operating Activities	220,653	214,182
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Cash payments for the purchase of property	(321,501)	(99,189)
Cash proceeds from investments and sale of assets	10.544	23,359
Net Cash Used In Investing Activities	(310,957)	(75,830)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Payments to retire common stock	(9,796)	
Proceeds from issue of common stock	5,449	4,343
Principal payments on debt		(34,647)
Borrowing through inter-company accounts	73,008	(21,727)
Dividends paid	(23,616)	(22,980)
Net Cash Provided By (Used In) Financing Activities	45,045	(75.011)
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	(45,259)	63,341
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, January 1	339,301	275,960
CASH AND EQUIVALENTS, December 31	<u>\$ 294.042</u>	<u>\$ 339.301</u>
SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION: Income taxes paid Interest paid	\$ \$	\$     5,000 \$       865

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## THE FORT JENNINGS TELEPHONE COMPANY

Notes to Financial Statements December 31, 2012 and 2011

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## NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### Accounting Method and Pervasiveness of Estimates

The corporation in reporting assets and liabilities, as well as in determining income and expenses uses the accrual accounting method. The preparation of financial statements, in conformity with regulatory accounting principles, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## Accounts Receivable

Corporation has elected to report receivables at billing amounts, less a reserve for possible losses in their collection that is based on historical experience, coupled with a review of current status of existing receivables. Accounts deemed uncollectible by the company's management are charged off after approval of the Board of Directors.

#### Inventories

Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market on a first-in, first-out basis.

#### Investments

The corporation reports investments at the aggregate of lower of cost or market, where a market value can be established.

#### Property, Plant, and Equipment

Assets representing property, plant, and equipment are carried at cost, less depreciation, using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives as prescribed by regulatory agencies.

#### Income Taxes

Federal income taxes are recognized proportionately, based on the overall income tax liability of the consolidated group.

The corporation has adopted Financial Accounting Standards Board FASB ASC 740 "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes". FASB ASC 740 prescribes a two-step process for the financial statement measurement and recognition of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return. The first step involves the determination of whether it is more likely than not, greater than 50 percent likelihood, that a tax position will be sustained upon examination, based on the technical merits of the position. The second step requires that any tax position that meets the more-likely-than-not recognition threshold is measured and recognized in the financial statements at the largest amount of benefit that is greater than 50 percent likely of being realized upon ultimate settlement. Penalties and interest assessed, if any, by income taxing authorities are included in operating expenses. Tax returns for the years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012 remain open for examination by the Internal Revenue Service.

#### THE FORT JENNINGS TELEPHONE COMPANY

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# NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

## Shipping and Handling Costs

Fees and costs for shipping and handling are recorded in the income statement as a part of the operating expenses.

# Subsequent Events

Management has evaluated subsequent events through October 7, 2013, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

# NOTE 2. NATURE OF OPERATIONS AND CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK

The corporation was initially formed to provide telephone service to the Fort Jennings area. The telephone services provided are primarily regulated by The Public Utilities Commission of Ohio with assets, liabilities, income, and expenses reported on a regulatory basis. The corporation has engaged in other activities, which are not regulated, but do not constitute a material part of the operations. Both regulated and deregulated accounts have been combined within these financial statements. Credit is primarily granted to customers located locally and regionally or nationally for carrier. The company has extended credit of \$72,853 and \$76,999 at December 31, 2012 and 2011, respectively.

# NOTE 3. INVESTMENTS

Investments (at cost)

	Туре	2012	2011	
Com Net, Inc.	Common	\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000	
Communications Venture Corporation	Common	122,500	122,500	
Broadband Network Group, LLC	Partnership	4,004	4,077	
North West Net, Inc.	Common	68,000	68,000	
Horizon Telecom, Inc.	Class A	15,073	15,073	
Horizon Telecom, Inc.	Class B	43.035	43,035	
Horizon PCS, Inc.	Common	-	-	
Venture Leasing, L.L.C.	Partnership	86,085	83,970	
Fiber Solutions of Ohio, L.L.C.	Partnership	41,149	13,919	
F J Communications, Inc.	Corp.	10,000	10,000	
Leader Technologies, Inc.	Corp.	25,000	25,000	
Total		\$ 432,846	\$ 403,574	
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These investments are in closely held regional communications companies with no current market price available.

# NOTE 4. AFFILIATED COMPANIES

On January 1, 2004, the company spun-off the deregulated segment of business consisting of the CATV, DSL and other deregulated services.

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# NOTE 4. AFFILIATED COMPANIES (continued)

The new company, F J Communications, Inc., is a wholly owned subsidiary of the corporation. Management has not consolidated the subsidiary in these regulatory financial statements. The investment in the subsidiary is included in the investments. The assets and liabilities were transferred to the subsidiary and through agreements certain services are passing between each company. Each company has an inter-company receivable or payable to account for this activity. The balance due from The Fort Jennings Telephone Company was \$119,550 and \$46,542 for 2012 and 2011, respectively.

# NOTE 5. FEDERAL INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes consists of:

		2011
Prior year over accrual	\$-	\$ (15,728)
Federal deferred tax expense	33,376	
	<u>\$ 33,376</u>	\$ 14,801

The following is a summary of the deferred tax liabilities as reported on the statement of assets, liabilities and stockholders' equity for the years ended December 31, 2012 and 2011:

	2012		
Deferred federal tax liability, non-current	\$ 292,918	\$ 259,542	

After considering all of the evidence, both positive and negative, management has concluded it is more likely than not that all future tax expense will be realized, therefore, a valuation allowance is not needed for the deferred tax liability of December 31, 2012 and 2011.

# NOTE 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has entered into long term agreements for right to use equipment and fiber cable with ComNet, Inc., a corporation in which they have a minority interest. The amount prepaid in 2012 for fiber equipment located at the Fort Jennings office was \$9,089 for December 31, 2012 and will be amortized over 15 years. The amount of deferred revenue received in 2012 by the company for the use of fiber cable by ComNet, Inc. was \$59,338 for December 31, 2012 and will be amortized over 15 years.

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Combs & Company CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS Officer Certification of Financial Statements

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I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that it was not audited in the ordinary course of business for the preceding fiscal year. The reported financial data have been reviewed by an independent Certified Public Accountant are accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Name of Reporting Carrier: Fort Jennings Telephone Company
Signature of Authorized Officer:
ل ' Printed name of Authorized Officer: <u>Tammy Landwehr</u>
Title of Authorized Officer: Secretary Treasurer
Study Area Code of Carrier: <u>300614</u>
Date: 10-11-2013

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