

# EXHIBIT B-9

(Kadoka Study Area 391667)

**FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting**  
**Data Collection Form**
**FCC Form 481**  
**OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819**  
**July 2013**

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| <010> Study Area Code                                                              | 391667                     |
| <015> Study Area Name                                                              | KADOKA TELEPHONE CO        |
| <020> Program Year                                                                 | 2016                       |
| <030> Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data      | Jill Reinert               |
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| <039> Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>     | jillreinert@goldenwest.com |

| ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS                                                                                            |                                                                                                           | 54.313<br>Completion<br>Required    | 54.422<br>Completion<br>Required    |
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| (check box when complete)                                                                                                    |                                                                                                           |                                     |                                     |
| <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"/> |
| <300> Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)                                                                                   | 0                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <310> Detail on Attempts (voice)                                                                                             | <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 300px;"></div><br>(attach descriptive document) | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <320> Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)                                                                               | 0                                                                                                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <330> Detail on Attempts (broadband)                                                                                         | <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 300px;"></div><br>(attach descriptive document) | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <400> Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)                                                                       |                                                                                                           |                                     |                                     |
| <410> Fixed                                                                                                                  | 0.0                                                                                                       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| <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> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 300px;"></div>                                               | (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> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 300px;"></div>                                               | (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> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 40px; width: 300px;"></div>                                              | (attach descriptive document)                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input 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 type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers                                                                            | (complete attached worksheet)                                                                             | <input 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

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| <2000>                                                                            | (check to indicate certification) | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <2005>                                                                            | (complete attached worksheet)     | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| <b>Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet</b> |                                   |                                     |                                     |
| <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"/> |

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<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 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.

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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.

<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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| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |
| Yes |

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| <701> | Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date    | 1/1/2015 |
| <702> | Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge |          |

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**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting  
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&lt;910&gt; Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

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&lt;920&gt; 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<br>Yes or No or<br>Not Applicable |
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**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting  
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| <020> | Program Year                                                                  | 2016                       |
| <030> | Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data                 | Jill Reinert               |
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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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&lt;1210&gt; Terms &amp; Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of Attached Document

&lt;1220&gt; Link to Public Website

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

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| <039> | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> | jillreinert@goldenwest.com |

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)ii]

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)]

**Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support [47 CFR § 54.313(d)]**

- <2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband

**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.

- <2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

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| <b>(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation</b><br><b>Data Collection Form</b> | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |
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| <b>&lt;015&gt; Study Area Name</b>                                                                     | KADOEA TELEPHONE CO        |
| <b>&lt;020&gt; Program Year</b>                                                                        | 2016                       |
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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)]

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Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3011) 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)(ii)]

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Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier [47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)] (Yes/No) ☒ Yes ☒ No

(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report (Yes/No) ☒ Yes ☒ No

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 ☒

(3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

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Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited? (Yes/No) ☐ Yes ☒ No

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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| <b>{3000} Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)</b><br><b>Data Collection Form</b> | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |
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**Financial Data Summary**

(3027) Revenue

(3028) Operating Expenses

(3029) Net Income

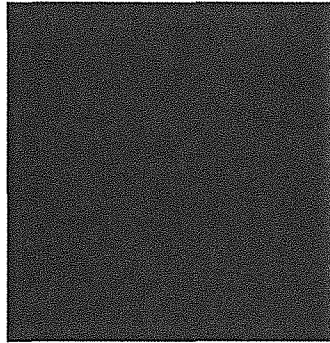
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)

(3031) Total Assets

(3032) Total Debt

(3033) Total Equity

(3034) Dividends




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Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| <b>Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients</b>                                                                                                                                                                             |                                           |
| 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: KADOKA TELEPHONE CO                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                           |
| Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Date 06/18/2015                           |
| Printed name of Authorized Officer: Dennis Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                           |
| Title or position of Authorized Officer: CEO/General Manager                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                           |
| Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 6052792161 ext.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                           |
| Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 391667                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | 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  
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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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                      |
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| 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



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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data<br>Data Collection Form | FCC Form 481<br>OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819<br>July 2013 |
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OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819  
July 2013

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| <701> | Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date    | 1/1/2015 |
| <702> | Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge |          |

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings  
Data Collection Form

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

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|-------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <010> | Study Area Code                                                               | 391667                     |
| <015> | Study Area Name                                                               | KADOKA TELEPHONE CO        |
| <020> | Program Year                                                                  | 2016                       |
| <030> | Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data                 | Jill Reinert               |
| <035> | Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>     | 6052792161 ext.            |
| <039> | Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> | jillreinert@goldenwest.com |

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| (800) Operating Companies | FCC Form 481                                        |
| Data Collection Form      | OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 |
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Five-Year Network Improvement Plan and Progress Report  
For Golden West Telecommunications – Kadoka (Study Area 391667)

In its *USF/ICC Transformation Order* and subsequent Orders, the Federal Communications Commission (“FCC” or “Commission”) required Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (“ETCs”) to submit a five-year build-out plan in a manner consistent with Section 54.202(a)(1)(ii) of the Commission’s Rules by July 1, 2014 and to submit annual progress reports thereafter.<sup>1</sup> In its *March 5, 2013 Order*, the FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans “should describe the carrier’s network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories.”<sup>2</sup> Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (“Golden West” or the “the Company”) is a rate-of-return carrier ETC and hereby submits its annual progress report covering any progress made during the first half of 2015 on the initial five-year network improvement plan submitted in 2014 as well as any updates to the plan made since initial submission of the plan for study area 391667.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform—Mobility Fund*; WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-61 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*) at Para. 587; *pets. for review denied, Direct Comm. Cedar Valley, et al v. FCC 11-161*, No. 11-9900 [www.ca10.uscourts.gov/opinions/11/11-9900.pdf](http://www.ca10.uscourts.gov/opinions/11/11-9900.pdf) (10th Cir. filed May 23, 2014); see also *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket 10-90 *et al.*, Order, DA 12-147 (rel. Feb. 12, 2012) at Para. 5 (amending Section 54.313(a)(1) to clarify this requirement); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket 10-90 *et al.*, Third Order on Reconsideration, FCC 12-52 (rel. May 14, 2012) at Para. 10 (changing the filing deadline for the annual reports from April 1 to July 1); *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket 10-90 *et al.*, Order, DA 13-332 (rel. Mar. 5, 2013) (“*March 5, 2013 Order*”) at Para’s. 4, 6-9. Delaying Five-year Plan until July 1, 2014 see WC Docket No. 10-90, Order, DA 13-1115, Para. 8 (released May 16, 2013).

<sup>2</sup> *March 5, 2013 Order* at Para. 9 citing Section 54.202(a)(1)(ii).

**I. The Company's Five-Year Network Improvement Plan**

When the Commission adopted its five-year plan requirements for FCC-designated ETCs in its *2005 ETC Order*, it set forth the following criteria as to how the ETC is to describe with “specificity” the proposed improvements or upgrades to the ETC’s network throughout its service area:

(1) how signal quality, coverage, or capacity will improve due to the receipt of high-cost support throughout the area for which the ETC seeks designation; (2) the projected start date and completion date for each improvement and the estimated amount of investment for each project that is funded by high-cost support; (3) the specific geographic areas where the improvements will be made; and (4) the estimated population that will be served as a result of the improvements.<sup>3</sup>

In that order, the FCC clarified that service quality improvements in the five-year plan “do not necessarily require additional construction of network facilities.”<sup>4</sup> Accordingly, the improvements listed in the plan may be projects related to the expansion of the network (one or multiple services), projects related to updating technology to accommodate new services or higher bandwidth or maintenance projects, such as to reduce trouble reports or replace outdated equipment. Additionally, in some cases, the projects may be ones that improve or upgrade the entire network rather than discrete areas within a study area or they may be ones that are ongoing projects that have no specific start and completion dates.

The instructions to the Form 481 state “[r]ecipients may describe where improvements are expected to occur by wire center or census block, as appropriate. To the extent no improvements

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<sup>3</sup> *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) (“*2005 ETC Order*”).

<sup>4</sup> *Id.*

are planned in specific areas, the five-year plan should so indicate.”<sup>5</sup> The instructions also require that in subsequent annual progress reports, which must include the total amount of universal support received, this information must be provided “broken out separately by the amount spent on capital expenses and the amount spent on operating expenses.”<sup>6</sup> Accordingly, the Company’s five-year plan separately provides both capital expenditures and operating expenses.

**A. The Company’s Major Network Improvement Projects**

Based upon this framework, **Appendix A** updates Golden West’s five-year plan submitted in 2014 for study area 391667 and reflects its major network improvement projects for the five calendar years 2015 through 2019<sup>7</sup> along with the start and completion dates, capital costs, areas and population associated with those projects.

**B. How These Projects Will Improve the Network**

As detailed in **Appendix A**, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. anticipates investing [REDACTED] for network improvements in study area 391667 during calendar years 2015-2019.

Golden West annually completes a comprehensive forward-looking two year budget, which most recently was completed in late 2014 for years 2015 and 2016. During this process, the 2015 investment items included in the previous year’s budget were reassessed and adjusted to address any previously unforeseen facilities issues/upgrades and regulatory change. In addition to refining the 2015 budget, a preliminary plan was drafted for 2016. The projections detailed in

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<sup>5</sup> Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481, OMB Control No. 3060-0986 (High-Cost), OMB Control No. 3060-0819 (Low-Income), July 2013, Line 112.

<sup>6</sup> Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481, OMB Control No. 3060-0986 (High-Cost), OMB Control No. 3060-0819 (Low-Income), July 2013, Line 112.

<sup>7</sup> The initial five-year network improvement plan covered calendar years 2015 through 2019.

Appendix A for years beyond 2016 are based on both actual costs from recent years and current year estimates. As a result of the Company's budgeting process, there are updates to the five-year plan filed with the 2014 FCC Form 481.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

There are no major network build-outs or fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) upgrades included in this five-year plan, as the rural portion of this study area was already upgraded to FTTH in 2010. Other investments during calendar years 2015 – 2019 will rather be directed toward maintaining the existing network and providing for service to new subscribers.

The investments shown for "Other Cable and Wire Additions" will be used to bring broadband and/or voice services to new subscribers and provide for cable maintenance and repairs across the entire service area. Similarly, the investments detailed for "Building and Maintenance Upgrades" and "Vehicle and Work Equipment Replacement" will allow for general maintenance and upgrades to central offices and the purchase of equipment essential for the day to day upkeep of the network throughout the service area.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

**C. Estimated Capital Expenditures and Operating Expenses**

The first table in **Appendix B** included herein specifies the capital expenditures (projects) in **Appendix A**, by Part 32 account, along with the respective year in which the expenditures are expected to occur. In the second table of **Appendix B**, the projected operating expenses are provided, including depreciation expense for both embedded plant investment and for capital expenditures, which begins when the capital expenditures are projected to be placed into service.

**II. The Company's Progress Report on its Five-Year Network Improvement Plan**

Because the calendar year 2015 is still under way, Golden West has no progress to report on the network improvement projects planned for 2015. Comprehensive progress made on network improvements in 2015 will be reported by Golden West in its 2016 ETC Annual Report for study area 391667. Golden West hereby provides the following required elements of its progress report to satisfy Form 481 reporting obligations.

**A. The Amount of Universal Service Support Received by the Company for Study Area 391667**

For the 2014 calendar year, which was outside of the scope of the Company's initial five-year network improvement plan, Golden West received a total of [REDACTED] in high cost universal service support ("USF") through the following mechanisms:

- [REDACTED] for Interstate Common Line Support ("ICLS");
- [REDACTED] for High Cost Loop Support ("HCLS");
- [REDACTED] for ICC CAF Support;
- [REDACTED] for Safety Net Additive ("SNA") (Includes [REDACTED] of retroactive SNA payments related to the 2013 year.)



**B. How Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. – Study Area 391667 Has Used USF to Improve Service Quality, Coverage and Capacity**

Section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended requires ETCs to use Universal Service support (“USF”) “only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.”<sup>8</sup> Pursuant to Section 54.314 of the FCC’s rules, in order for state-designated ETCs to receive USF for the coming year, states must annually file certifications by October 1 stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within the state “was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.”<sup>9</sup> ETCs not designated by a state must file similar certifications with the FCC.<sup>10</sup>

In its *USF/ICC Transformation Order*, the FCC clarified that prior to making the Section 254(e) certifications, states should conduct a “rigorous examination of the factual information” contained in the annual Section 54.313 reports, of which the five-year network improvement plan and annual progress reports are a part, in determining whether they can certify that carriers’ support has been used and will be used only for the purpose for which the support was intended.<sup>11</sup> The FCC said that it would also use the reports to verify certifications filed by ETCs that are not state-designated.<sup>12</sup> In this context, the Commission stated, “[i]n light of the

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<sup>8</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

<sup>9</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a).

<sup>10</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(b).

<sup>11</sup> See *USF/ICC Transformation Order* at Para. 612.

<sup>12</sup> *Id.*

public interest obligations we adopt in this Order, a key component of this [Section 254(e)] certification will now be that support is being used to maintain and extend modern networks capable of providing voice and broadband service.”<sup>13</sup>

Essentially, under the existing rules and processes, the federal USF received by the Company and other incumbent rural telephone companies are, in fact, an integral part of the recovery of expenditures of rural incumbent local exchange carriers incurred in the provision, maintenance and upgrading of their provision of facilities and services for which the USF is intended. Golden West depends upon its receipt and utilization of federal universal service support to provide rural telephone customers with affordable and quality voice and broadband services.

Accordingly, given the critical role the network improvement plan as updated herein and the progress reports will have in the annual Section 254(e) certification process, Golden West’s plan and progress reports demonstrate how the Company has used and will use USF not only for improvements and upgrades, but also for the provision and maintenance of the facilities and services to which the support was intended. Even though the FCC did not require the Company to include calendar year 2014 as part of the Company’s network improvement plan and thus there is no information to report regarding progress during that year, the Company hereby certifies that during that year it used USF solely for which the support was intended.

**C. Maps Depicting the Company’s Network Progress**

Attached to this Five-Year Network Improvement Plan as **Appendix C** is Golden West’s map depicting the extent of the Company’s network within study area 391667 and indicating specific geographic areas associated with certain projects listed above.

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<sup>13</sup> *Id.* (emphasis supplied).

**D. Network Improvement Targets Not Met**

Because 2015 is the first year of the Company's network improvement plan, there is no previous year for which to report network improvement targets that have not been fulfilled. The Company will report such information for calendar year 2015 as well as progress towards meeting its targets for that year in its progress report submitted in 2016.

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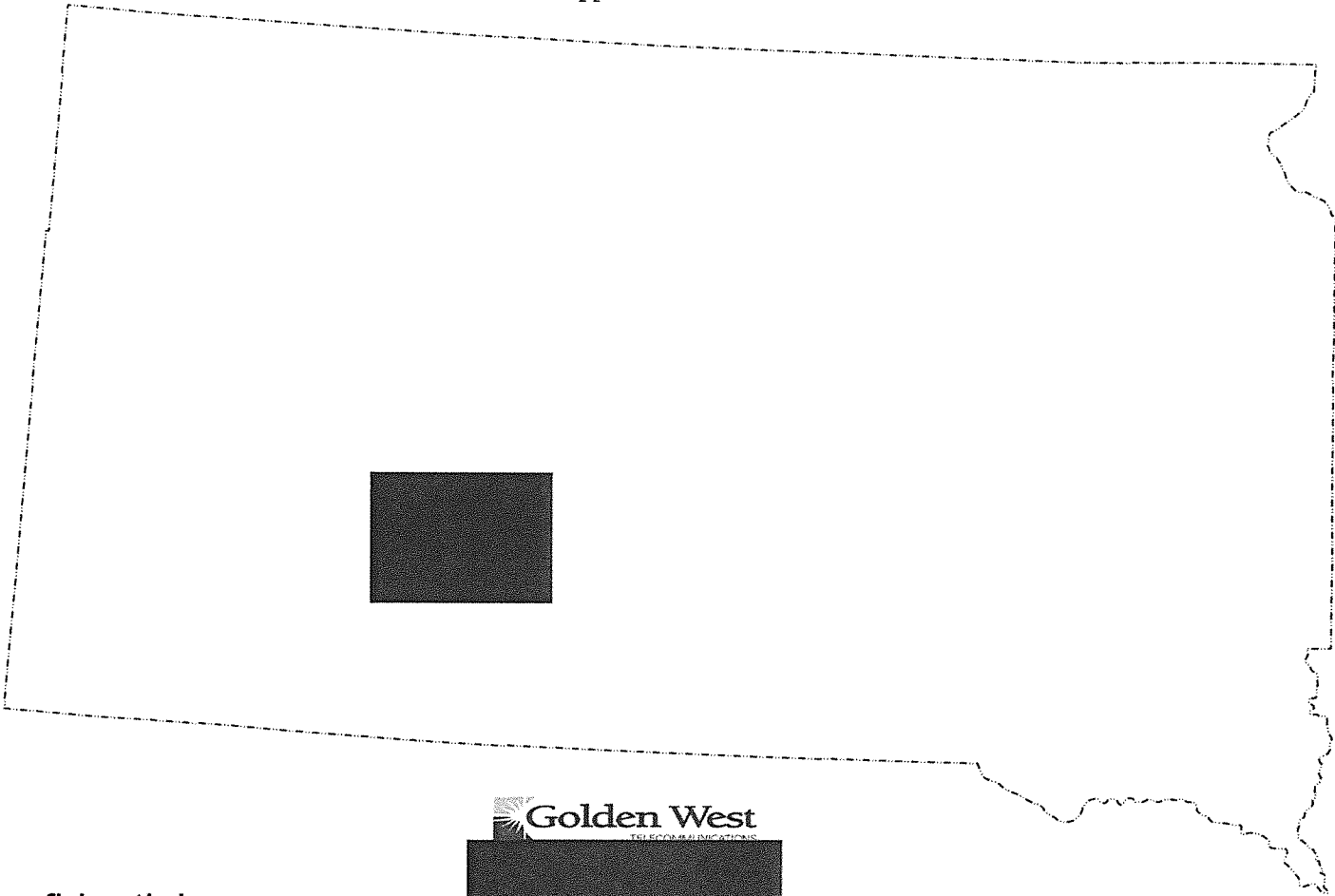
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| Regulated Capital Expenditure (CapEx) Projections |             |      |      |      |      |      |                                        |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|------|------|------|------|------|----------------------------------------|
| Account                                           | Description | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | Total Projected<br>CapEx 2015-<br>2019 |
|                                                   |             |      |      |      |      |      |                                        |

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Appendix C



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Certification of Service Quality Standards & Consumer

Protection Rules Compliance for Voice and Broadband Services

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter "the Company") hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

This document details the processes and procedures that the Company follows to ensure compliance with service quality standards and consumer protection rules as laid out in FCC Form 481 Instructions.

The Company provides voice grade access to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) at a flat rate, thereby enabling access to emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations such as 911.

For service quality standards that are affected by plant issues, the Company engineers and installs its plant and other facilities in such a way as to ensure, to the greatest extent possible, safe, adequate, and continuous service at all times.

In addition, employees are periodically trained on service quality standards and consumer protection issues. In particular, if any set of issues appear to be prevalent, employees are given briefings on how to handle such issues, beyond the normal guidelines in place for resolution of customer complaints. A recent example is the call completion problems that have arisen and the customer calls that are generated as a result. Although this is not a service quality problem caused by the Company, it does affect customers of the Company and, therefore, deserves the attention of the Company employees.

The Company also periodically reviews its operating procedures to be sure that those operating procedures are in compliance with service quality standards and that the operating procedures are not in violation of consumer protection rules. Internally a compliance officer ensures annual employee training and dictates disciplinary processes for improper use of consumer information. If concerns arise that cannot be handled by the compliance officer, legal counsel is sought to assist with a resolution.

If complaints are filed with the Company related to service quality standards or consumer protection rules, the complaint is immediately investigated, the matter tracked and any corrective action noted. This process ensures that problems are addressed and corrections made.

The Company advertises the availability of its services and the charges using media of general distribution and on its website.

The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in F.C.C 47 C.F.R. Part 8 §8.3.

The Company maintains six business offices throughout its service area providing customers with access to a customer service representative either in person or via a local telephone number or toll-free telephone number during normal business hours. Customers also have access to the repair service and internet help desk twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week by calling a toll-free number, or by calling one of the business office numbers, which forward to these services after hours.



Certification of Functionality in Emergency Situation

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter “The Company”) hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2).<sup>1</sup> The Company’s critical network infrastructure is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2). The Company can take reasonable steps to reroute traffic around damaged facilities and manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available and the facility can be safely accessed, or until reasonable system changes are made to reroute traffic.

The capacity of the Company to function in emergency situations encompasses both voice and broadband.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 54.202(a)(2) requires ETCs that are designated by the Commission to “demonstrate its ability to remain functional in emergency situations, including a demonstration that it has a reasonable amount of back-up power to ensure functionality without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.”

### Lifeline Terms and Conditions

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. 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.

### 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:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)  
 Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)  
 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)  
 Medicaid  
 National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program  
 Supplemental Security Income (SSI)  
 Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

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 135% of the federal poverty guidelines.

#### 2015 Federal Poverty Guidelines – 135%

| Household Size                  | 48 Contiguous States and D.C. | Alaska   | Hawaii   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1                               | \$15,889                      | \$19,872 | \$18,292 |
| 2                               | \$21,505                      | \$26,892 | \$24,745 |
| 3                               | \$27,121                      | \$33,912 | \$31,198 |
| 4                               | \$32,737                      | \$40,932 | \$37,651 |
| 5                               | \$38,353                      | \$47,952 | \$44,104 |
| 6                               | \$43,969                      | \$54,972 | \$50,557 |
| 7                               | \$49,585                      | \$61,992 | \$57,010 |
| 8                               | \$55,201                      | \$69,012 | \$63,463 |
| For each additional person, add | \$5,616                       | \$7,020  | \$6,453  |

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.

### **Tribal Eligibility**

A subscriber who lives on Tribal lands and is an eligible resident of Tribal lands is eligible for Tribal Lifeline service or Tribal Link Up if the subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents, or the subscriber's household participates in any of the above-listed qualifying assistance programs or one of the following Tribal-specific federal assistance programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance; Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met); or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). Tribal subscribers may also qualify if the household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Subscribers eligible for Tribal Lifeline may receive their basic monthly telephone service at no charge.

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

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'s Voice Lifeline service includes unlimited local minutes-of-use within the toll-free calling area. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'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 Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. 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.

**Golden West Telecommunications - Kadoka (SAC 391667)**

**Response to Line 3010 – Milestone Certification (47 CFR §54.313(f)(1)(i))**

Golden West Telecommunications – Kadoka, study area 391667, hereby certifies that throughout 2014, it took reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of at least 4 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream, and currently, it is taking reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream broadband service at with latency suitable for real-time applications, including Voice over Internet Protocol, and usage capacity that is reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas as determined in an annual survey, and that requests for such service are met within a reasonable amount of time.

**Golden West Telecommunications – Kadoka (Study Area 391667)**

**Response to Line 3012 - List of Community Anchor Institutions to Which the ETC Newly  
Began Providing Service**

The FCC's *USF/ICC Transformation Order* requires a listing of community anchor institutions to which the ETC newly began providing broadband service. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., study area 391667, did not newly begin providing community anchor institutions with access to broadband service in calendar year 2014.

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| <b>USDA-RUS</b><br><br><b>OPERATING REPORT FOR<br/>TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | <i>This data will be used by RUS to review your financial situation. Your response is required by 7 U.S.C. 901 et seq. and, subject to federal laws and regulations regarding confidential information, will be treated as confidential.</i><br><b>BORROWER NAME</b><br><br>Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.<br><br>(Prepared with Audited Data) |                                       |
| <b>INSTRUCTIONS-</b> Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period.<br>For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>PERIOD ENDING</b><br>December, 2014                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <b>BORROWER DESIGNATION</b><br>SD0508 |
| <b>CERTIFICATION</b><br><br>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.<br><b>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.</b><br><br><b>DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII</b><br>(Check one of the following) |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                       |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects.                     </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> 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                     </div> </div>              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                       |
| Denny Law                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | 3/27/2015<br>DATE                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                       |

| PART A. BALANCE SHEET                    |                       |                          |                                                               |                       |                          |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| ASSETS                                   | BALANCE<br>PRIOR YEAR | BALANCE<br>END OF PERIOD | LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY                          | BALANCE<br>PRIOR YEAR | BALANCE<br>END OF PERIOD |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>                    |                       |                          | <b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>                                    |                       |                          |
| 1. Cash and Equivalents                  |                       |                          | 25. Accounts Payable                                          |                       |                          |
| 2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund            |                       |                          | 26. Notes Payable                                             |                       |                          |
| 3. 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.                           |                       |                          |
| 4. 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                                 |                       |                          |
| 5. Interest and Dividends Receivable     |                       |                          | 35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)                    |                       |                          |
| 6. Material-Regulated                    |                       |                          | <b>LONG-TERM DEBT</b>                                         |                       |                          |
| 7. Material-Nonregulated                 |                       |                          | 36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes                                     |                       |                          |
| 8. Prepayments                           |                       |                          | 37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes                                     |                       |                          |
| 9. Other Current Assets                  |                       |                          | 38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes                                     |                       |                          |
| 10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)      |                       |                          | 39. Funded Debt-Other                                         |                       |                          |
| <b>NONCURRENT ASSETS</b>                 |                       |                          | 40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan                           |                       |                          |
| 11. 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                           |                       |                          |
| 12. 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)                         |                       |                          |
| 13. Nonregulated Investments             |                       |                          | <b>OTHER LIAB. &amp; DEF. CREDITS</b>                         |                       |                          |
| 14. Other Noncurrent Assets              |                       |                          | 47. Other Long-Term Liabilities                               |                       |                          |
| 15. Deferred Charges                     |                       |                          | 48. Other Deferred Credits                                    |                       |                          |
| 16. Jurisdictional Differences           |                       |                          | 49. Other Jurisdictional Differences                          |                       |                          |
| 17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16) |                       |                          | 50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49) |                       |                          |
| <b>PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT</b>    |                       |                          | <b>EQUITY</b>                                                 |                       |                          |
| 18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service            |                       |                          | 51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed                         |                       |                          |
| 19. Property Held for Future Use         |                       |                          | 52. Additional Paid-in-Capital                                |                       |                          |
| 20. Plant Under Construction             |                       |                          | 53. Treasury Stock                                            |                       |                          |
| 21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill  |                       |                          | 54. Membership and Cap. Certificates                          |                       |                          |
| 22. Less Accumulated Depreciation        |                       |                          | 55. Other Capital                                             |                       |                          |
| 23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)       |                       |                          | 56. Patronage Capital Credits                                 |                       |                          |
| 24. 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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| <b>PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS</b>            |  |                                     |           |
| 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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| MobileWireless                                                                                                                         |  |                                                                                                     |
| Route Mileage<br>Outside Exchange<br>Area                                                                                              |  |                                                                                                     |
| Total                                                                                                                                  |  |                                                                                                     |
| No. Exchanges                                                                                                                          |  |                                                                                                     |

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#### 4. BROADBAND SERVICE

### Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service

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#### 4. BROADBAND SERVICE

| Age Group | Number of People |
|-----------|------------------|
| 0-10      | 100              |
| 11-20     | 90               |
| 21-30     | 80               |
| 31-40     | 70               |
| 41-50     | 60               |
| 51-60     | 50               |
| 61-70     | 40               |
| 71-80     | 30               |
| 81-90     | 20               |

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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        |                    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                       |                                      |                    |
| PART E. TOLL DATA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                       |                                      |                    |
| 1. Study Area ID Code(s)<br><br>a. <div style="background-color: black; width: 100px; height: 100px; display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="writing-mode: vertical-rl; transform: rotate(180deg); font-size: 8px;">           a. _____<br/>           b. _____<br/>           c. _____<br/>           d. _____<br/>           e. _____<br/>           f. _____<br/>           g. _____<br/>           h. _____<br/>           i. _____<br/>           j. _____         </div> </div> |                         | 2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one)<br><br><div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div>           Interstate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule<br/><br/>           Intrastate: <input type="checkbox"/> Average Schedule         </div> <div> <input type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis<br/><br/> <input type="checkbox"/> Cost Basis         </div> </div> |                                                                       |                                      |                    |
| 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<br><br>(a)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | CURRENT YEAR DATA       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | CUMULATIVE DATA                                                       |                                      |                    |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Investment<br>This Year | Income/Loss<br>This Year                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Cumulative<br>Investment<br>To Date                                   | Cumulative<br>Income/Loss<br>To Date | Current<br>Balance |
|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | (b)                     | (c)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | (d)                                                                   | (e)                                  | (f)                |
| 1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                       |                                      |                    |
| 2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                       |                                      |                    |

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| <b>PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES</b>                                                                                                         |                             |
| Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one) |                             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES                                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> 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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