

Docket Number: TC26-020
Subject Matter: First Data Request
Request to: Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc. (Kennebec or Company)
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff
Date of Request: July 6, 2026
Responses Due: July 17, 2026

1-1. Refer to ARSD 20:10:32:54(2) Provide the following:

1-1.1. A clear Description or a detailed map of Kennebec's progress toward meeting its plan targets.

Response: As a CAF BLS company Kennebec met its buildout requirements prior to the deadline previously set by the FCC and now continues to maintain and upgrade its network as needed to provide universal service.

1-1.2. An explanation of how the universal service support was used to improve service quality, signal quality, coverage, or capacity.

Response: Universal Service received by Kennebec is used to upgrade our network to ensure our subscribers, throughout both the exchanges of Kennebec and Presho, receive the highest quality service.

1-1.3. An explanation regarding any network improvement targets that have not been fulfilled;.

Response: All network improvements were completed as planned.

1-1.4. Information concerning completed or planned network improvement projects

1-1.4.1. indicating which wire center areas or local communities are benefited by the improvements; and

Response: As state above Kennebec and Presho are the wire centers that benefit from the improvements/upgrades to the network facilities.

1-1.4.2. submitted at the wire center level

Response: Exhibit B includes the planned improvements by wire center for the next two years and Exhibit A indicates prior plans were completed as planned.