



West River Cooperative Telephone Co.

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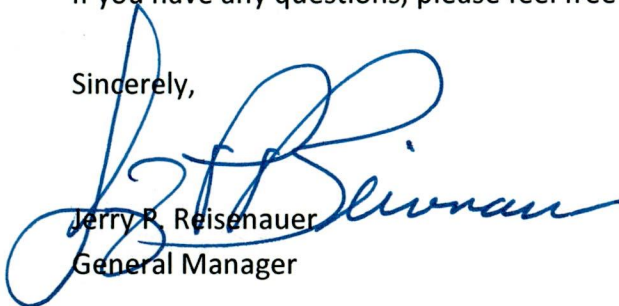


Dear Sirs:

Please find enclosed our filing in accordance with Case No. PU-13-333 and Chapter 69-09-05, Section 69-09-05-12.1.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call anytime.

Sincerely,


Jerry P. Reisenauer
General Manager

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Certification of use of federal universal services support
West River Cooperative Telephone Company
Jerry Reisenauer, General Manager

provided on Exhibit B hereto as part of the Company's current Two-Year Plan. Consistent with federal universal service principles, the Company will use federal universal service amounts received in 2014 to offset a portion of these 2014 expenditures. This use of federal universal service support will enable the Company to: (1) maintain rates for its local exchange services that are affordable and reasonably comparable to rates being charged for the same services in urban areas; and (2) to upgrade its telecommunications facilities and equipment as necessary to meet evolving service requirements and maintain high quality service. The use of federal universal service support for these purposes is clearly consistent with the federal universal service provisions.

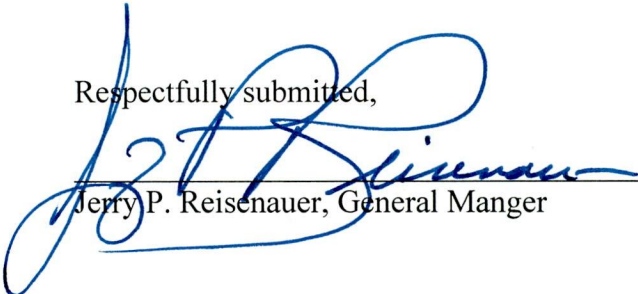
3. In addition to the information included in Exhibits A and B, the following information is provided to meet the Commission's "Certification requirements" set forth in Section 69-09-05-12.1:

- During calendar year 2012, the Company experienced no service outages affecting at least 10 percent of its end user customers, for a period lasting longer than 30 minutes:
- The Company was able to provide service to all potential customers that requested service during 2012, and as of December 31, 2012, the Company had no unfulfilled requests for service.
- During 2012, the Company's customer service department received no formal written complaints from consumers.
- Also attached as "Exhibit C" is a document containing other certifications, including those required under the provisions Section 254(e).

4. Based on all of the foregoing information, including the information provided on Exhibits A, B and C, the Company requests that this Commission issue an appropriate certification to the FCC and USAC indicating that West River Cooperative Telephone Company is in compliance with 47 U.S.C. § 254(e) and should receive all federal universal service support determined for distribution to the Company in 2014. In order to ensure that this certification is issued to the FCC prior to October 1, 2013, the Company would further ask the Commission to expedite the process that is initiated based on this filing.

Dated this 21 day of June 2013.

Respectfully submitted,



Jerry P. Reisenauer, General Manger

EXHIBIT A
Progress Report
West River Cooperative Telephone Company

Year 2012 Federal Universal Service Receipts:

Local Switching Support	\$ 212,226
Interstate Access Support	\$ 0
Interstate Common Line Support	\$ 1,584,876
Connect America Fund Support	\$ 127,272
High Cost Loop Support	\$ 3,252,021
Safety Net Additive Support	\$ 241,704
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 5,418,099

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

	Actual 2012
Plant Specific Operations Expenses	
Network support (Accts 6110-16)	\$ 4,822
General support (Accts 6120-24)	\$ 299,387
Central office (Accts 6210-6232)	\$ 644,105
Cable and wire facilities (Accts 6410-41)	\$ 468,532
Network operations (Accts 6530-35)	\$ 153,892
Depreciation and amortization (Accts 6560-65)	\$ 3,117,219
Customer Operations Expenses	
Customer services (Accts 6620-23)	\$ 161,657
Corporate Operations Expenses	
Executive and planning (Accts 6710-12)	\$ 410,467
General and administrative (Accts 6720-28)	\$ 734,812
Total Years Supported Expenses, Before Return on Investment	\$ 5,994,893
Additions	
Switching (Acct 2210)	\$ 367,406
Cable and wire (Acct 2410)	\$ 1,734,668
Total	\$ 2,102,074
Total Supported Expenditures, Before Return on Investment	\$ 8,096,967

[In 2012, we closed out projects that were completed in 2011. These projects were Fiber to the Home projects in the following wire centers: Newell-\$91,368; Nisland-\$656,144; Buffalo-\$120,160; Camp Crook-\$264,805; Sorum-\$547,099; Bison-\$11,593; Lemmon-\$63,362. Various other projects-\$347,543. Very limited construction was done in 2012 due to the new pending FCC Regulations.]

EXHIBIT B
Two-Year Plan
WEST RIVER COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY

The Company's service quality improvement plan is to continue to upgrade its telecommunications facilities and equipment as necessary to meet evolving service requirements and maintain high quality service throughout its service area. As an incumbent local exchange carrier and the carrier of last resort in its service area, the Company upgrades and replaces facilities and equipment as necessary. The Company believes that its planned capital additions will improve the reliability of switched calls for its customers, increase the Company's network capacity to serve remote customers and provide customers with state-of-the-art telecommunications service. In furtherance of its service quality improvement plan, the Company will use any high-cost universal service amounts received by it to offset expenditures incurred as it continues to upgrade and replace facilities and equipment.

Estimated Year 2014 Federal Universal Service Receipts:

Local Switching Support	\$ 0
Interstate Access Support	\$ 0
Interstate Common Line Support	\$ 1,556,620
Connect America Fund Support	\$ 315,297
High Cost Loop Support	\$ 2,983,724
Safety Net Additive Support	\$ 101,220
Safety Valve Loop Cost Adjustment	\$ 0
TOTAL	\$ 4,956,861

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

	Estimated 2014
Plant Specific Operations Expenses	
Network support (Accts 6110-16)	\$ 4,900
General support (Accts 6120-24)	\$ 300,900
Central office (Accts 6210-6232)	\$ 593,283
Cable and wire facilities (Accts 6410-41)	\$ 468,657
Network operations (Accts 6530-35)	\$ 175,203
Depreciation and amortization (Accts 6560-65)	\$ 3,252,219
Customer Operations Expenses	
Customer services (Accts 6620-23)	\$ 179,500
Corporate Operations Expenses	
Executive and planning (Accts 6710-12)	\$ 448,980
General and administrative (Accts 6720-28)	\$ 733,215
Total Years Supported Expenses, Before Return on Investment	\$ 6,156,857
Additions	
Switching (Acct 2210)	\$ 350,000
Cable and wire (Acct 2410)	\$ 1,150,000
Total	\$ 1,500,000
Total Supported Expenditures, Before Return on Investment	\$ 7,656,857

Proposed Network Improvements:

The Company's 2014 estimated capital additions included with last year's filing are provided again for reference, together with capital additions planned for 2015.

Wire Center	Estimated Population	Description of Capital Improvement	Start Date	End Date	Estimated Capital Expenditures Each Year	
					2014	2015
Newell-Rural	106	FTTH & Electronics	3-1-14	11-1-14	\$ 1,000,000	\$
Lemmon-Rural	49	FTTH & Electronics	3-1-14	11-1-14	\$ 500,000	\$
Nisland-Rural	60	FTTH & Electronics	3-1-15	11-1-15	\$	\$ 450,000
Bison-Rural	90	FTTH & Electronics	3-1-15	11-1-15	\$	\$ 1,100,000

No capital improvements are planned in the following wire centers but nonetheless may be necessary in connection with the provision of service to new customers.

Wire Center
Buffalo
Camp Crook
Meadow
Sorum

