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VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

June 30, 2015

Mr. Darrell Nitschke
Executive Secretary
North Dakota Public Service Commission
600 East Boulevard Avenue, Twelfth Floor
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

RE: Federal Communications Commission's ETC Annual Report

Pursuant to Sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules (47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422), attached please find an original and three (3) copies of the ETC Annual Reports (FCC Form 481) that were filed with USAC and will be filed with the FCC. The attached are submitted by JSI on behalf of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation and Turtle Mountain Communications. An electronic copy of the redacted version has also been submitted.

Please note that some of the information included in the completed FCC Form 481 Report is confidential and proprietary. Confidential information has been placed in an envelope marked "Trade Secret – Private" and sealed.

Along with this filing you will find enclosed a copy of this transmittal letter marked "File Stamp Copy" to be stamped and returned to JSI as confirmation that the hard copies of this filing have been received by the Commission as well. Please return the stamped copy of this transmittal letter in the envelope provided for this purpose.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall, Vice President

Authorized Representative for
United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation and Turtle
Mountain Communications

Enclosures

Mr. Perry Oster, United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation and Turtle Mountain Communications

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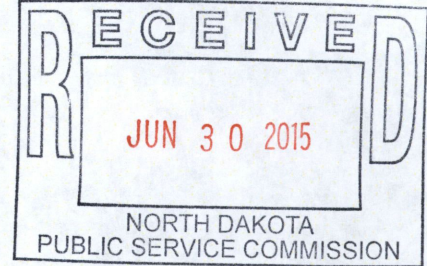
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**CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION-SUBJECT TO
PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-
337, 03-109, 14-58 CC DOCKET NO. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET
NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208, BEFORE THE FEDERAL
COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

June 30, 2015

Via Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554



**Re: WC Docket No. 14-58
2015 ETC Annual Report of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp. & Turtle
Mountain Communications
Study Area Code 381636**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp. & Turtle Mountain Communications (“United & Turtle Mountain”), JSI files the attached confidential and redacted versions of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission’s rules.¹ United & Turtle Mountain seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information.² The redacted version is also being filed this date via the FCC’s Electronic Comment Filing System. In addition, attached is a letter requesting confidential treatment under Sections 0.457 and 0.459 of its Progress Report on its Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan as required by Section 54.313(a)(1).³

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall
JSI Vice President
301-459-7590
jkuykendall@jsitel.com

cc: Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies, confidential)

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

² *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 *et al.*, Protective Order, DA 15-712 rel. June 17, 2015 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.457, 0.459, 54.313(a)(1).

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CC DOCKET NO. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208
FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting
Data Collection Form
 BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OMB Control No. 3060-0206/CANS Control No. 3080-0813
 July 2013

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<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	7012565156 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	poster@utma.com

ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS	54.513 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
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(check box when complete)

<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<210>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <-- check box if no outages to report		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<i>(attach descriptive document)</i>		
<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)	0	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<330>	Detail on Attempts (broadband)		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		<i>(attach descriptive document)</i>		
<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<410>	Fixed	0.0		
<420>	Mobile	0.0		
<430>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<440>	Fixed	0.0		
<450>	Mobile	0.0		
<500>	Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	<i>(check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<510>	381636nd510.pdf	<i>(attached descriptive document)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<600>	Functionality in Emergency Situations	<i>(check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<610>	381636nd610.pdf	<i>(attached descriptive document)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<800>	Operating Companies and Affiliates	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<900>	Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)?	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1000>	Voice Services Rate Comparability Certification	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1010>		<i>(attach descriptive document)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Yes or No)	<input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1110>		<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

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

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

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

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

(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting Data Collection Form

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

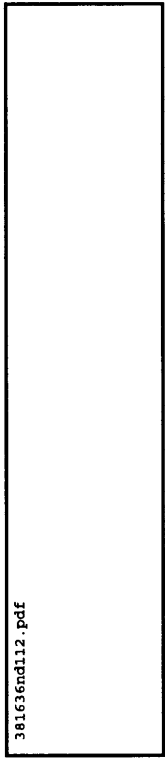
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 <015> Study Area Name TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
 <020> Program Year 2016
 <030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Perry Oster
 <035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 7012565156 ext.
 <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> postez@utma.com

<110> Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?
 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)

<111> (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.



Name of Attached Document

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

Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Not Applicable

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

**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
 Data Collection Form**

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 <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> poster@tma.com

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves
 Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation
 381636nd920.pdf

Name of Attached Document

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

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

Select Yes or No or Not Applicable
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	posters@utma.com

<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**

FCC Form 481
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 <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> poster@utma.com

Name of Attached Document

<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans
 <1220> Link to Public Website HTTP <http://www.utma.com/link-up.php>

"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

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

<010> Study Area Code 381536
 <015> Study Area Name TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
 <020> Program Year 2016
 <030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data Perry Oster
 <035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 702255336 ext.
 <039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> pester@tma.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)(3)(i))
 <2011a> 3rd Year Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(3)(ii))
 <2011b> Attachment (47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(ii))

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))
 Certification Support Used to Build Broadband
 <2016>
 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

[Redacted Box]
 Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

[Redacted Box]
 Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

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 Name of Attached Document(s) Listing Required Information

CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION-SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER IN WC DOCKET NOS. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, 14-58
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BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation
Data Collection Form
FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0048/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

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<015> Study Area Name TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
<020> Program Year 2016
<030> Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data PERRY ORTIZ
<035> Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030> 7042565156 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030> PORT@TUMA.COM

CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(i)) 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))
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
Milestone Certification.pdf

(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.
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
381636nd3012.pdf

(3012) Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(iii))
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
381636nd3017.pdf

(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2))
(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information
381636nd3017.pdf

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
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?
If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains

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

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

(3021) Management letter and audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(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
Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
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.	

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

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>John Staurulakis, Inc.</u> 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:	John Staurulakis, Inc.
Name of Reporting Carrier:	TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 06/26/2015
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Perry Oster
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	General Manager/CEO
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	7012565156 ext.102
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	381636 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.	

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:	TURTLE MOUNTAIN COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	JSI
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 06/26/2015
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Cassandra Heyne
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Consultant
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	3014597590 ext.
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	381636 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.	

Turtle Mountain Communications' Demonstration of Compliance with Applicable Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules:

In establishing this certification in its *2005 ETC Order*,¹ the FCC found that an ETC must make “a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers.”² The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA’s Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement” and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.³ In this context, the FCC stated, “to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement.”⁴

Turtle Mountain Communications (“Company”) hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules. The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations under federal law and, to a limited extent under North Dakota state law as a telecommunications carrier subject to North Dakota Public Service Commission regulation. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) adherence to state requirements that the Company complies with consumer protection and service quality standards pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Article 69, including customer requests for lowest price

¹ *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*”).

² *Id.* at para. 28.

³ *Id.* The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: “(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy.” *Id.* at n. 71.

⁴ *Id.* at n. 72.

service alternatives (69-09-05-01), discontinuance of telecommunications services (69-09-05-02), deposits and guarantees (69-09-05-03); (2) truth-in-billing requirements, and (3) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

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 furthermore will comply with all requirements set forth in the *2015 Open Internet Order* when it becomes effective.

Turtle Mountain Communications' Demonstration of Ability to Function in Emergency Situations

Turtle Mountain Communications (“Company”) hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2)² and North Dakota Administrative Code 69-09-05-12. The Company’s voice and broadband network 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 change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building can be supplied with standby generators and has battery back-up that enables the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. The Company’s central office can maintain 8 hours, plus or minus 15 percent, of battery reserve rated for peak traffic load requirements, and a permanent auxiliary power unit is installed or a mobile power source is available which can be delivered and connected within four hours. The Company has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites capable of running for a minimum of 8 hours, plus or minus 15

² 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.”

TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

Ross Feil- Facilities Manager
Andrea Fetsch-Plant Records Clerk
Russ Lund-Network Technician

On February 5, 2014 at 7:00 PM Andrea Fetsch, Russ Lund and I attended an open tribal meeting at Tribal Headquarters to present the tribal council and members of the Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa Indians some security solutions that we have available.

I addressed the council and assembly about our FTTH plans and what areas would be receiving fiber optics in 2014. I addressed the limitations of our extended reach Internet offering (Charles Industries) and emphasized the benefits of fiber optics and its role in home security and home automation. The floor was opened for questions, after which I introduced Andrea and Russ and they did their presentations.

Andrea Fetsch spoke in detail about our Clear2There offering, home automation and home security and answered questions from the Tribal Council.

Russ Lund spoke in detail about traditional security systems and camera systems.

After both presentations the floor was opened for questions from members of the tribe. After our presentation the Chairman invited us to attend another open meeting on February 20, 2014, and we were excused.

On February 20th 2014 at 10 AM Russ and Andrea attended an open forum at the Sky Dancer Casino in Belcourt. This meeting was also broadcast on KEYA radio. After a few speakers they were invited to

the Podium and did a presentation on Home Security, Home Automation and camera systems. The floor was opened to questions and comments and members of the tribe voiced concerns over the increasing number of break ins and home invasions.

Perry Oster – General Manager
Ross Feil – Facilities Manager

On November 6, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., Ross Feil and myself met with Richard McLeod Tribal Chairman of the Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa and the Tribal Council at the Tribal Headquarters Office.

We discussed the fiber to the premise project on the Reservation and the progress being made and addressed some issues on cleanup after the fiber had been placed.

We also discussed Tribal Resolution TMBC254-06-13 concerning Schindler CATV. Schindler's were authorized exclusive rights to provide service in the town area of Belcourt and all housing sites. We informed the Chairman and the Council that we would work with Schindler CATV to come to a resolution so members may receive the same services on all parts of the Reservation is available. Since that date Turtle Mountain Communications and Schindler CATV have negotiated a share Franchise Agreement and the Tribal Resolution has been resolved in 2015.

We also discussed the BIA 11 fiber to the premise project that would be starting in the spring of 2015 and that the Turtle Mountain Reservation boundaries would be served with fiber optic cable.

We were excused from the meeting.



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BELCOURT, N. D. 58316

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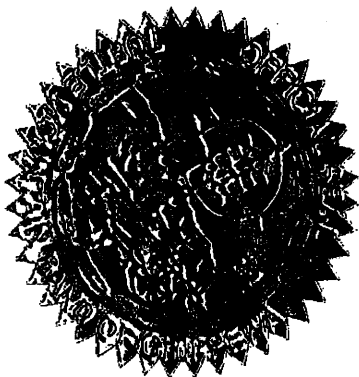
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PO Box 729, Langdon, ND 58249
a telephone communications business within the Jurisdiction of the Tribe.

This License expires July 23, 2014


Geraldine Larson, License Compliance Officer

July 8, 2013

Date: _____



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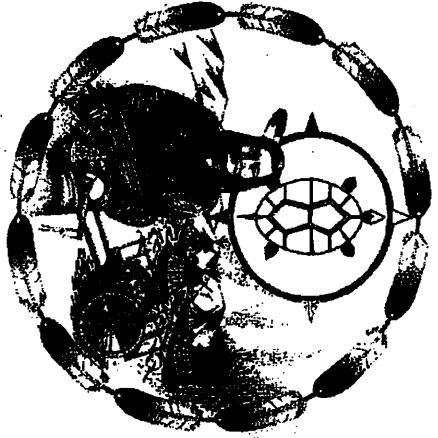
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Geraldine Larson, License Compliance Officer

May 16, 2013
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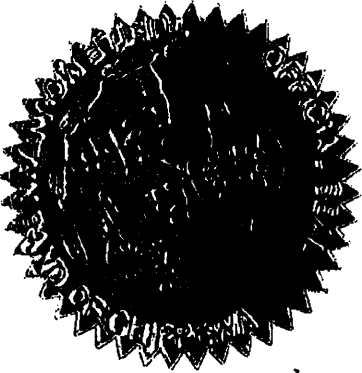
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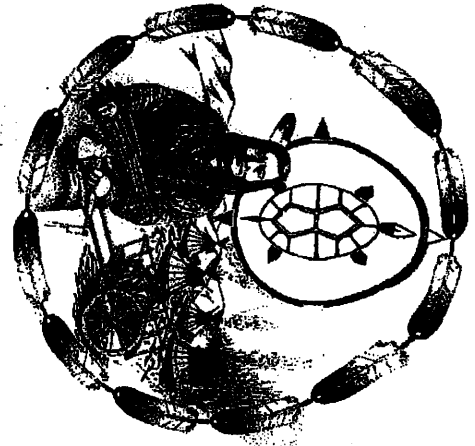


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TERRI STAFF SIGNATURE

June 4, 2014

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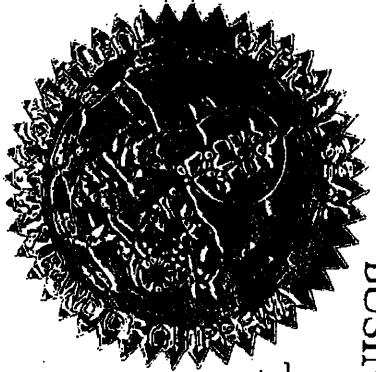
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Sherraine Dorman
THIRD STATE SENATOR
June 23, 2014
DATE ISSUED

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United Telephone/Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc. (381636)

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

United Telephone/Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc., 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.

United Telephone Mutual Aid & Turtle Mountain Communications (SAC 381636)

**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. United Telephone Mutual Aid and Turtle Mountain Communications hereby provides the FCC with a list of community anchor institutions to which it newly began providing access to broadband service in calendar year 2014.¹

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>Bottineau (228)</u>		
1	Grace Lutheran Church	615 10th St E
2	Our Savior Luther Church	709 11th St E
3	Customs and Border Carbury	10919 Hwy 14 NE
<u>Souris (243)</u>		
4	Souris Fire Dept	109 Main St
<u>Rolla Exchange (477)</u>		
5	Belcourt High School	1215 William Haardasty St
6	Center Site Apartment	9627 42nd ave ne
7	Kalix Suport Services	1208 Main Ave W
8	Little Shell Home for Youth	PO Box 900
9	Mt Pleasant School Dist	201 5th St NE
10	Ojibwa School	9620 42nd Ave NE
11	St John Fire Dept	PO Box 288
12	St John Water Tower	PO Box 165
13	Tribal Headquarters	4180 Hwy 281
14	TM Housing Authority Birchwood	PO Box 620

¹ The FCC has defined community anchor institutions in Section 54.5 of its Rules as “schools, libraries, health care providers, community colleges, other institutions of higher education, and other community support organizations and entities.”

15	TMBCI Environmental	PO Box 900
16	Tri Care Home Health	1104 Hwy 5 W
17	Turtle Mountain Star	PO Box 849
18	Turtle Mountain Times	PO Box 1270
19	Customs and Border	10935 Hwy 30
<u>Langdon (256 Exchange)</u>		
20	Cavalier County Courthouse	901 3rd St.
21	Customs and Border	10947 Hwy 1
22	Farmers and Merchant State Bank	816 3rd St.
23	Farmers Union Oil	9245 Hwy 1
24	NDSU Langdon Research Center	9280 107th Ave NE
<u>Rock Lake (266 Exchange)</u>		
25	North Central Grain	PO Box 8
<u>Munich (682)</u>		
26	Munich Public School	PO Box 39

CC DOCKET NO. 01-92, 96-45, GN DOCKET NO. 09-51, WT DOCKET NO. 10-208
FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Report
Data Collection Form
 BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
FCC Form No. 3060-0964/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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<035> Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	7012565156 ext.
<039> Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	poster@utma.com

ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS	54,313 Completion Required	54,422 Completion Required
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			(check box when complete)	
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<1100>	Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Yes or No) <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	<i>(if not, check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1110>		<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

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

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Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet				
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**(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
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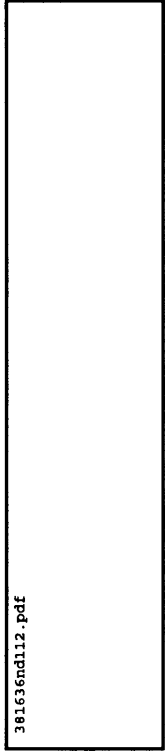
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 July 2013

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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
 <111> year plan" filed with the FCC? (yes / no)

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

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



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

**(800) Operating Companies
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<810> Reporting Carrier United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation
 <811> Holding Company UTMA
 <812> Operating Company United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation

<813>	<81>	<82>	<83>
	Affiliates	SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
	-- See attached worksheet --		

**(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves
 Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa

381636nd920.pdf

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:

Select
Yes or No or Not Applicable
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
Yes

- <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.

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
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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**

FCC Form 487
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Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP <http://www.utma.com/link-up.php>

"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.

Certification - Reporting Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients	
I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual reporting requirements for universal service support recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
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.	

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

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier	
I certify that (Name of Agent) <u>John Staurulakis, Inc</u> 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:	<u>John Staurulakis, Inc</u>
Name of Reporting Carrier:	<u>UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORP.</u>
Signature of Authorized Officer:	<u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/26/2015</u>
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	<u>Perry Oster</u>
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	<u>General Manager/CEO</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	<u>7012565156 ext.102</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	<u>381636</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>07/01/2015</u>
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:	<u>UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORP.</u>
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>JSI</u>
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>CERTIFIED ONLINE</u> Date: <u>06/26/2015</u>
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>Cassandra Heyne</u>
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>Consultant</u>
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	<u>3014597590 ext.</u>
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	<u>381636</u> Filing Due Date for this form: <u>07/01/2015</u>
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United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation's Demonstration of Compliance with Applicable Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules

In establishing this certification in its *2005 ETC Order*,¹ the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers."² The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement" and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis.³ In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."⁴

United Telephone Mutual Aid ("Company") hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules. The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations under federal law and, to a limited extent under North Dakota state law as a telecommunications carrier subject to North Dakota Public Service Commission regulation. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) adherence to state requirements that the Company complies with consumer protection and service quality standards pursuant to North Dakota

¹ *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*").

² *Id.* at para. 28.

³ *Id.* The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." *Id.* at n. 71.

⁴ *Id.* at n. 72.

Administrative Code Article 69, including customer requests for lowest price service alternatives (69-09-05-01), discontinuance of telecommunications services (69-09-05-02), deposits and guarantees (69-09-05-03); (2) truth-in-billing requirements, and (3) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

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 furthermore will comply with all requirements set forth in the *2015 Open Internet Order* when it becomes effective.

United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation's Demonstration of Ability to Function in Emergency Situations

United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation ("Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2)¹ and North Dakota Administrative Code 69-09-05-12. The Company's voice and broadband network 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 change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building can be supplied with standby generators and has battery back-up that enables the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. The Company's central office can maintain 8 hours, plus or minus 15 percent, of battery reserve rated for peak traffic load requirements, and a permanent auxiliary power unit is installed or a mobile power source is available which can be delivered and connected within four hours. The Company has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites capable of running for a minimum of 8 hours, plus or minus 15

¹ 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."

TRIBAL ENGAGEMENT

Ross Feil- Facilities Manager
Andrea Fetsch-Plant Records Clerk
Russ Lund-Network Technician

On February 5, 2014 at 7:00 PM Andrea Fetsch, Russ Lund and I attended an open tribal meeting at Tribal Headquarters to present the tribal council and members of the Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa Indians some security solutions that we have available.

I addressed the council and assembly about our FTTH plans and what areas would be receiving fiber optics in 2014. I addressed the limitations of our extended reach Internet offering (Charles Industries) and emphasized the benefits of fiber optics and its role in home security and home automation. The floor was opened for questions, after which I introduced Andrea and Russ and they did their presentations.

Andrea Fetsch spoke in detail about our Clear2There offering, home automation and home security and answered questions from the Tribal Council.

Russ Lund spoke in detail about traditional security systems and camera systems.

After both presentations the floor was opened for questions from members of the tribe. After our presentation the Chairman invited us to attend another open meeting on February 20, 2014, and we were excused.

On February 20th 2014 at 10 AM Russ and Andrea attended an open forum at the Sky Dancer Casino in Belcourt. This meeting was also broadcast on KEYA radio. After a few speakers they were invited to

the Podium and did a presentation on Home Security, Home Automation and camera systems. The floor was opened to questions and comments and members of the tribe voiced concerns over the increasing number of break ins and home invasions.

Perry Oster – General Manager
Ross Feil – Facilities Manager

On November 6, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., Ross Feil and myself met with Richard McLeod Tribal Chairman of the Turtle Mountain Tribe of Chippewa and the Tribal Council at the Tribal Headquarters Office.

We discussed the fiber to the premise project on the Reservation and the progress being made and addressed some issues on cleanup after the fiber had been placed.

We also discussed Tribal Resolution TMBC254-06-13 concerning Schindler CATV. Schindler's were authorized exclusive rights to provide service in the town area of Belcourt and all housing sites. We informed the Chairman and the Council that we would work with Schindler CATV to come to a resolution so members may receive the same services on all parts of the Reservation is available. Since that date Turtle Mountain Communications and Schindler CATV have negotiated a share Franchise Agreement and the Tribal Resolution has been resolved in 2015.

We also discussed the BIA 11 fiber to the premise project that would be starting in the spring of 2015 and that the Turtle Mountain Reservation boundaries would be served with fiber optic cable.

We were excused from the meeting.

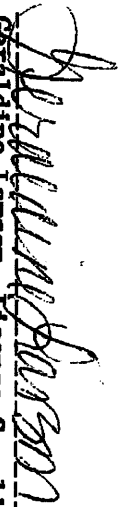


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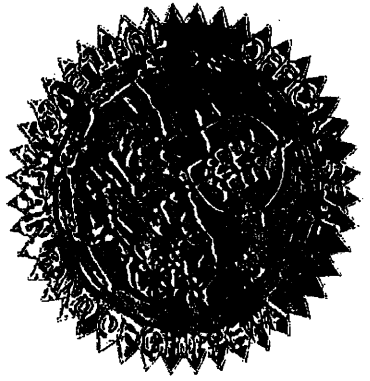
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Turtle Mountain Communications has been granted a Business License to operate
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a telephone communications business within the Jurisdiction of the Tribe.

This License expires July 23, 2014


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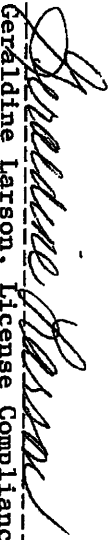


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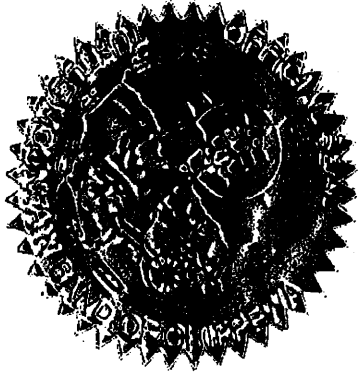
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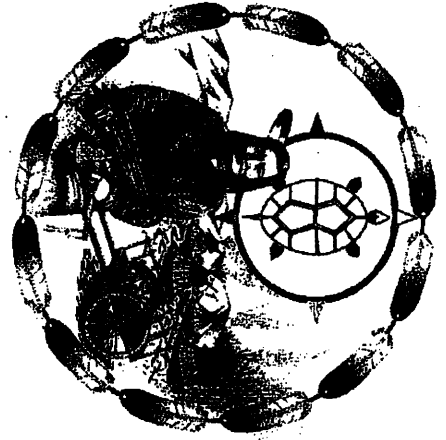
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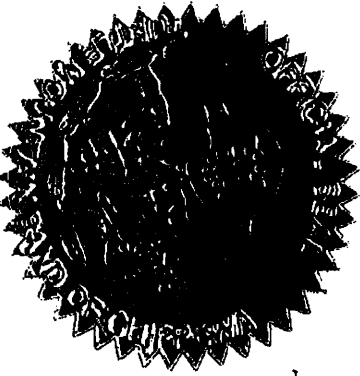
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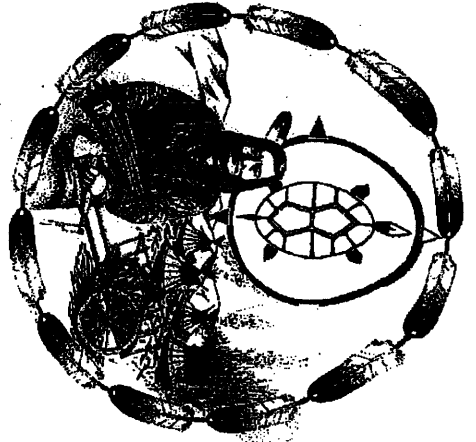



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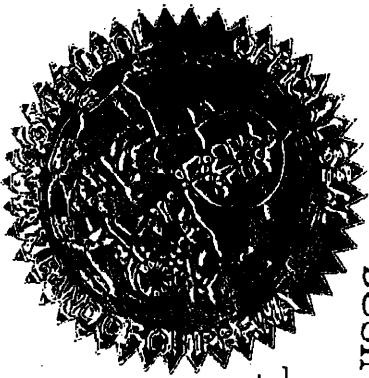
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United Telephone/Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc. (381636)

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

United Telephone/Turtle Mountain Communications, Inc., 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.

United Telephone Mutual Aid & Turtle Mountain Communications (SAC 381636)

**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. United Telephone Mutual Aid and Turtle Mountain Communications hereby provides the FCC with a list of community anchor institutions to which it newly began providing access to broadband service in calendar year 2014.¹

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>Bottineau (228)</u>		
1	Grace Lutheran Church	615 10th St E
2	Our Savior Luther Church	709 11th St E
3	Customs and Border Carbury	10919 Hwy 14 NE
<u>Souris (243)</u>		
4	Souris Fire Dept	109 Main St
<u>Rolla Exchange (477)</u>		
5	Belcourt High School	1215 William Haardasty St
6	Center Site Apartment	9627 42nd ave ne
7	Kalix Suport Services	1208 Main Ave W
8	Little Shell Home for Youth	PO Box 900
9	Mt Pleasant School Dist	201 5th St NE
10	Ojibwa School	9620 42nd Ave NE
11	St John Fire Dept	PO Box 288
12	St John Water Tower	PO Box 165
13	Tribal Headquarters	4180 Hwy 281
14	TM Housing Authority Birchwood	PO Box 620

¹ The FCC has defined community anchor institutions in Section 54.5 of its Rules as “schools, libraries, health care providers, community colleges, other institutions of higher education, and other community support organizations and entities.”

15	TMBCI Environmental	PO Box 900
16	Tri Care Home Health	1104 Hwy 5 W
17	Turtle Mountain Star	PO Box 849
18	Turtle Mountain Times	PO Box 1270
19	Customs and Border	10935 Hwy 30
<u>Langdon (256 Exchange)</u>		
20	Cavalier County Courthouse	901 3rd St.
21	Customs and Border	10947 Hwy 1
22	Farmers and Merchant State Bank	816 3rd St.
23	Farmers Union Oil	9245 Hwy 1
24	NDSU Langdon Research Center	9280 107th Ave NE
<u>Rock Lake (266 Exchange)</u>		
25	North Central Grain	PO Box 8
<u>Munich (682)</u>		
26	Munich Public School	PO Box 39