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June 29, 2016

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary *Via ECFS*
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 Twelfth Street S.W.
Room 5-A225
Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: FCC FORM 481 – CARRIER ANNUAL REPORTING DATA COLLECTION CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (FILED IN DOCKETS 14-58) AND CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION FILED PURSUANT TO SECTIONS .457 AND .459 OF THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION RULES

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc. ("NE Louisiana") hereby submits the attached redacted and confidential versions of its "FCC Form 481 – Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection" financial information pursuant to sections §54.313 and §54.422 of the Commission's rules, as filed with the Universal Service Administrative Company.

Section 3005 of Form 481 requires the filing of financial information per 47 C.F.R. §54.313(f)(2). NE Louisiana maintains that this information is "Confidential Financial Information" on the grounds that it is competitively sensitive information which could be used to disadvantage or harm NE Louisiana and is submitting this information pursuant to Protective Order, DA 16-296 as described below. In addition, NE Louisiana is requesting confidential treatment pursuant to sections 0.457 and 0.459 of the Commission's rules for the 2015 Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report that is required by section 54.313(a)(1) to be attached to this report. Similar to the financial information submitted under section 54.313(f)(2), the information contained in the 2015 Service Quality Improvement Plan Progress Report contains competitively sensitive information, including but not limited to projected build-out plans and capital expenditures, that is secure from public access that could be used by a competitor to disadvantage or harm NE Louisiana.

First, NE Louisiana is submitting the 54.313(f)(2) "Confidential Financial Information" as a "Stamped Confidential Document" with each page bearing the legend CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION and also submitting the .457 and .459 "Confidential Financial Information" as a "Stamped Confidential Document" with each page labeled "CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION - SUBJECT TO PROTECTIVE ORDER, BEFORE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION". One copy of the "Stamped Confidential Document(s)" and accompanying cover letter are enclosed.

Second, NE Louisiana is submitting the "Stamped Confidential Document(s)" as a "Redacted Confidential Document" where the "Confidential Financial Information" has been redacted. One copy of the "Redacted Confidential Document(s)" and accompanying cover letter with each page labeled "REDACTED - FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION" are being filed through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System ("ECFS")..

FCC Form 481 also will be filed prior to July 1st with the State Commission.

If you have any questions, please contact me at jushio@gvnw.com or 719-594-5814.

Sincerely,

/s/ Judi Ushio

Judi Ushio
Midwest Division Manager

Encl.

FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form

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OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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	Form Type	54.313 and 54.422

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(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
Data Collection Form

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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) ○ ●
<111>	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, please 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	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

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(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
Data Collection Form

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<210> For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service outages? No

<220>

<a> NORS Reference Number	<b1> Outage Start Date	<b2> Outage Start Time	<b3> Outage End Date	<b4> Outage End Time	<c1> Number of Customers Affected	<c2> Total Number of Customers	<d> 911 Facilities Affected (Yes / No)	<e> Service Outage Description (Check all that apply)	<f> Did This Outage Affect Multiple Study Areas (Yes / No)	<g> Service Outage Resolution	<h> Preventative Procedures

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(300) Unfulfilled Service Request
Data Collection Form

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<300> Unfulfilled service request (voice) 0

<310> Detail on attempts (voice)

Name of Attached Document

<320> Unfulfilled service request (broadband) 0

<330> Detail on attempts (broadband)

Name of Attached Document

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(400) Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers
Data Collection Form

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<400>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed voice
<410>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed voice	0.0
<420>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile voice	
<430>	Select from the drop-down list to indicate how you would like to report end-user customer complaints (zero or greater) for broadband service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize.	Offered only fixed broadband
<440>	Complaints per 1000 customers for fixed broadband	0.0
<450>	Complaints per 1000 customers for mobile broadband	

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(500) Compliance With Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules
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<500>	Certify compliance with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules	Yes
<510>	Descriptive document for Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	2704351a510.pdf

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(600) Functionality in Emergency Situations
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<600>	Certify compliance regarding ability to function in emergency situations	Yes
<610>	Descriptive document for Functionality in Emergency Situations	2704351a610.pdf

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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
Data Collection Form

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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2016
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	16.0

<703>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>	<b1>	<b2>	<b3>	<b4>	<b5>	<c>
State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Residential Local Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees

See attached worksheet

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings
Data Collection Form

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<711>

<a1>	<a2>	<b1>	<b2>	<c>	<d1>	<d2>	<d3>	<d4>
State	**Exchange (ILEC)**	**Residential Rate**	**State Regulated Fees**	**Total Rate and Fees**	**Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)**	**Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)**	**Usage Allowance (GB)**	**Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {*select*}**
			-- See attached worksheet --					

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(800) Operating Companies
Data Collection Form

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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company
<811>	Holding Company	HNG Holdings, LLC
<812>	Operating Company	Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company

<813>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>
Affiliates	**SAC**	**Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation**

– See attached worksheet –

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(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
Data Collection Form

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<900> Does the filing entity offer tribal land services? (Y/N) No

<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

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
<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.	

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(1000) Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability Data Collection Form

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<1000>	Voice services rate comparability certification	Yes
<1010>	Attach detailed description for voice services rate comparability compliance	270435la1010.pdf Name of Attached Document
<1020>	Broadband comparability certification	Yes - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau
<1030>	Attach detailed description for broadband comparability compliance	270435la1030.pdf Name of Attached Document

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(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form

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<1100> Certify whether terrestrial backhaul options exist (Y/N) — Yes

<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).

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(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers
Lifeline
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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

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Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website HTTP

"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. ☑

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(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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Select the appropriate responses below (Yes, No, Not Applicable) to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental 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) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 2 recipients of Incremental Support

<2011> 3rd Year Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)(ii) - Note that for the July 1 2016 certification, this applies to Round 1 recipients of Incremental Support

<2022> Recipient certifies, representing year two after filing a notice of acceptance of funding pursuant to 54.312(c), that the locations in question are not receiving support under the Broadband Initiatives Program or the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program for projects that will provide broadband with speeds of at least 4 Mbps/1Mbps - 54.313(b)(2)(i). Round 2 recipients only.

<2023> The attachment on line 2024 includes a statement of the total amount of capital funding expended in the previous year in meeting Connect America Phase I deployment obligations, accompanied by a list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent. This covers year two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.

<2024A> Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?

<2024B> Attach list of census blocks indicating where funding was spent in year two - 54.313(b)(2)(ii). Round 2 recipients only.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

<2025A> Round 1 or Round 2 Recipient of Incremental Support?

<2025B> Attach geocoded Information for Phase I milestone reports (Round 1 for year three and Round 2 for year two) - Connect America Fund , WC Docket 10-90, Report and Order, FCC 13-

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

<2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification 47 CFR § 54.313(c)(4)

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(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)
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Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

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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)}

<2017A> Connect America Fund Phase II recipient?

<2017B> Attach information for Phase II - 54.313(e)(1) - list of geocoded locations already meeting the 54.309 public interest obligations at the end of calendar year 2015 and total amount of Phase II support, if any, the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2015.

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

<2018> Attach the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year - 54.313(e)(2)(ii)

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

<2019> Recipient certifies that it bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Phase II model-based support, and that such bids were at rates reasonably comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for comparable offerings - 54.313(e)(2)(v)

<2020> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 40% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2017 - 54.313(e)(3)

<2021> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 60% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2018 - 54.313(e)(4)

<2026> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 80% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2019 - 54.313(e)(5)

<2027> Recipient certifies that it offered broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations specified in §54.309 to 100% of its supported locations in the state on December 31, 2020 - 54.313(e)(6)

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(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation Data Collection Form

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Complete the items below to note compliance with 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.

	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan		
(3009)	Carrier certifies to 54.313(f)(1)(iii)		
(3010A)	Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}	Yes - Attach Certification	
(3010B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	2016 #3010 certification NELTC.docx
(3012A)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	No - No New Community Anchors	
(3012B)	Please Provide Attachment	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	
(3013)	Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}	(Yes/No)	◉ ○
(3014)	If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	◉ ○
	Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached PDF, 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) with 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	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	2704351a3017.pdf
(3018)	If the response is no on line 3014, is your company audited?	(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 Borrowers		
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		
(3021)	Management letter and/or 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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(3005) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation (Continued)

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Financial Data Summary

(3027) Revenue	[redacted]
(3028) Operating Expenses	[redacted]
(3029) Net Income	[redacted]
(3030) Telephone Plant In Service(TPIS)	[redacted]
(3031) Total Assets	[redacted]
(3032) Total Debt	[redacted]
(3033) Total Equity	[redacted]
(3034) Dividends	[redacted]

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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(4005) Rural Broadband Experiment Additional Documentation Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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

4005 Rural Broadband Experiment

Authorized Rural Broadband Experiment (RBE) recipients must address the certification for public interest obligations, provide a list of newly served community anchor institutions, and provide a list of locations where broadband has been deployed.

Public Interest Obligations – FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29, 78)
Please address Line 4001 regarding compliance with the Commission's public interest obligations. All RBE participants must provide a response to Line 4001.

4001. Recipient certifies that it is offering broadband to the identified locations meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas?

Community Anchor Institutions – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79)

4003a. RBE participants must provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which they newly deployed broadband service in the preceding calendar year. On this line, please respond (yes – attach new community anchors, no – no new anchors) to indicate whether this list will be provided.

If yes to 4003A, please provide a response for 4003B.

4003b. Provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

Broadband Deployment Locations – FCC 14-98 (paragraph 80)

4004a. Attach a list of geocoded locations to which broadband has been deployed as of the June 1st immediately preceding the July 1st filing deadline for the FCC Form 481. Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

4004b. Attach evidence demonstrating that the recipient is meeting the relevant public service obligations for the identified locations. Materials must at least detail the pricing, offered broadband speed and data usage allowances available in the relevant geographic area. Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

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

<010>	Study Area Code	270435
<015>	Study Area Name	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA
<020>	Program Year	2017
<030>	Contact Name - Person USAC should contact regarding this data	Judi Ushio
<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	7195945814 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	jushio@gvnw.com

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: NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/29/2016

Printed name of Authorized Officer: Michael George

Title or position of Authorized Officer: President

Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 3188747011 ext.

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 270435 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2016

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.

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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)_____ 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:

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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 Firm:

Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Date:

Name of Authorized Agent Employee:

Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent

Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filing Due Date for this form:

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Attachments

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(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
Data Collection Form

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

<010>	Study Area Code	270435
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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2016
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	16.0

<703>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>	<b1>	<b2>	<b3>	<b4>	<b5>	<c>
State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Residential Local Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
LA	All		FR	15.4	0.6	0.0	0.0	16.0

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(710) Broadband Price Offerings
Data Collection Form

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July 2013

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<a1> State	<a2> Exchange (ILEC)	<b1> Residential Rate	<b2> State Regulated Fees	<c> Total Rates and Fees	<d1> Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	<d2> Broadband Service -Upload Speed (Mbps)	<d3> Usage Allowance (GB)	<d4> Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select}
LA	All	59.99	0.0	59.99	50.0	50.0	999999	Other, no limit on allowance usage
LA	All	79.99	0.0	79.99	75.0	75.0	999999	Other, no limit on allowance usage
LA	All	99.99	0.0	99.99	100.0	100.0	999999	Other, no limit on allowance usage

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(800) Operating Companies
Data Collection Form

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

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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company
<811>	Holding Company	HNG Holdings, LLC
<812>	Operating Company	Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company

<813>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>
Affiliates	**SAC**	**Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation**
NORTHEAST TELEPHONE SERVICES, INC.		NORTHEAST TEL

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PROGRESS REPORT ON QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

PREAMBLE

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Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc.

AS OF 2016 ANNUAL REPORT SUBMISSION - JULY 1, 2016

WIRE CENTER NAME & CLLI	DESCRIPTION of IMPROVEMENT	PURPOSE	COST ESTIMATE	ACTUAL COST	REGULATED % ALLOCATION	AMOUNT IN USF SUPPORT AREA	% VOICE	% BROADBAND	AREA IMPACTED	POPULATION IMPACTED	TARGET COMPLETION DATE	ACTUAL COMPLETION DATE	Notes
A	B		C	D	E	F=CxE	***	***	***	***	***	***	
2015													
[redacted]													
	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]	[redacted]
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1 cost requirement less than estimated

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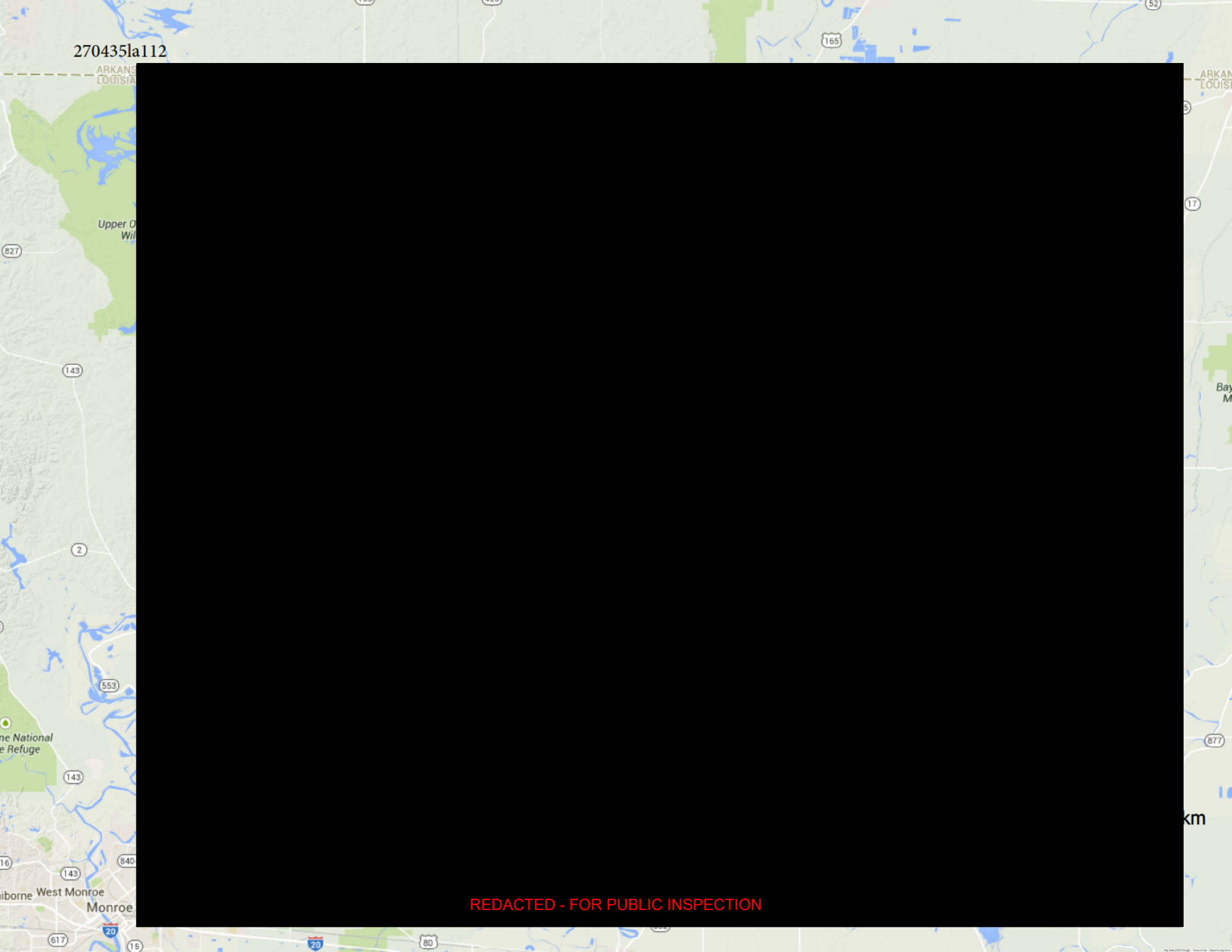

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Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company
Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection
Rules Compliance

Consumer Protection

Voice and Broadband

Northeast Louisiana Telephone complies with the requirements of 47CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission Red Flag Rules to prevent identity threat. A manual for each of those programs is in place and is part of the employees' handbook. Employee training is conducted annually and new hires are instructed on the programs as required by their job functions.

Service Quality Standards

Voice

Northeast Louisiana Telephone complies with the service standards as required by the state regulatory commission. Northeast Louisiana Telephone is committed to providing the highest quality service to its customers.

Broadband

Northeast Louisiana Telephone complies with the service standards as established by state regulatory commission. Northeast Louisiana Telephone follows the service standards noted in NECA Tariff #5 and is committed to provide the highest quality service to its broadband customers.

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Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc.

Ability to Function in Emergency Situations for Voice and Broadband

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc. ("Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 47, Part 54, Subpart C, §54.202(a)(2).[1] The Company's 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 also allows the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require. Company takes no responsibility for the capabilities of interconnected networks to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations, but will continue its best efforts for its networks during such events.

Specifically, the Company is able to function in emergency situations in accordance with the Company's Emergency Operations Plan which include provisions for continuity of service and emergency operations planning. Any central office not equipped with permanently installed standby generators contains as a minimum eight hours of battery reserve without voltage falling below the level required for proper operation of all equipment. In addition, all central offices without installed emergency power facilities have a mobile power unit available which can be delivered ·and connected on short notice. The Company's Emergency Operations Plan and emergency power facilities and equipment support both voice and broadband network equipment in the event of an emergency situation.

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Voice Services Rate Comparability

As evidenced by the data provided in line 700 of this Form 481, Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company's voice service pricing is no more than 2 standard deviations above the national average urban rate ($47.48) as announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau on April 16, 2015 (DA 15-470)

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Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company
Broadband Services Rate Comparability

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company's Broadband Services pricing meets the FCC's broadband public interest obligations because it offers broadband service as shown on Line 710 of its Form 481 filing, at actual speeds of at least 10 Mbps downstream / 1 Mbps upstream at no more than the applicable benchmark for broadband services announced by the Bureau on April 16, 2015 (DA15-470).

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Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company
Lifeline

54.313 Lifeline customers MOU and additional toll charges

Lifeline subscribers receive the same residential service as a regular subscriber, but at a reduced monthly recurring rate. Thus, lifeline subscribers have an unlimited number of local calling minutes. As for toll, lifeline subscribers, similar to every Peetz' subscriber, are free to choose their own toll usage plans through IXCs that serve Peetz.

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NORTHEAST LOUISIANA TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.

SECTION II

BONITA, LOUISIANA

9th Revised Sheet No. 1

Cancels 8th Revised Sheet No. 1

LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE TARIFF

General

This tariff is governed, except as otherwise specified herein, by the General Exchange Tariff which is hereby made a part of this tariff. The charges quoted in this tariff are for a period of one month, payable monthly in advance, and entitle the subscriber to local exchange service to all stations bearing the designation of Bonita Central Office at the flat rates shown below.

The rates for Local Exchange Service apply to all subscribers regardless of whether the communicating devices are rented from the Telephone Company or provided by the subscriber.

Toll Blocking is available at no charge.

RATES AND THEIR APPLICATION

		Monthly Line Access	
A.	Within the Base Rate Area:		
	BUSINESS: ONE PARTY	$26.13	
	RESIDENCE: ONE PARTY	$14.00	(I)(C)
B.	Outside the Base Rate Area, But Within Exchange Area:		
	BUSINESS: ONE PARTY	$26.13	
	RESIDENCE: ONE PARTY	$14.00	(I) (C)

Issue Date: 5/8/2013

Effective: 6/1/2013

Order Number:____

Issued By: Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc., P. O. Drawer 185, Collinston, La.

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This tariff is governed, except as otherwise specified herein, by the General Exchange Tariff which is hereby made a part of this tariff. The charges quoted in this tariff are for a period of one month, payable monthly in advance, and entitle the subscriber to local exchange service to all stations bearing the designation of Collinston Central Office at the flat rates shown below.

The rates for Local Exchange Service apply to all subscribers regardless of whether the communicating devices are rented from the Telephone Company or provided by the subscriber.

Toll Blocking is available at no charge.

RATES AND THEIR APPLICATION

A.	Within the Base Rate Area:	Monthly Line Access	
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	Outside the Base Rate Area, But Within Exchange Area:		
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SERVICE CONNECTION CHARGES

SERVICE CHARGES

LIFELINE AND LINK-UP PROGRAMS

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc. concurs in the Lifeline and Link-Up Programs as filed by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., where services and facilities are available, in accordance with the conditions as set forth in the FCC's order on Universal Service in CC Docket 97-157, which adopts the Federal-State Joint Board's recommendation in CC Docket 96-45; complying with the Telecommunications Act of 1996; and specific terms and conditions as prescribed by the Louisiana Public Service Commission. Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, hereby expressly reserves the right to cancel this statement of concurrence at any time when it appears that such cancellation is in the best interest of Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, subject to the jurisdiction of the Louisiana Public Service Commission as it applies.

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NortheastTel
Bringing Technology Home

Mike George- *President—CEO*
Erin Jarrell- *Secretary—Treasurer*

June 25, 2016

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

Re: WC Docket No. 14-58, 2015 Annual Report, Form 481 for High-Cost Recipient 54.313(f)(1) "Milestone Certification"

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In compliance with the filing requirements associated with, and attached to Form 481, we wish to advise the Commission that Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company provides High Speed Internet service to its customers and:

- Has taken reasonable steps to provide upon reasonable request broadband service at actual speeds of 10 Mbps downstream / 1 Mbps upstream;
- Provides latency suitable for real-time applications including VoIP and usage capacity which is reasonably comparable to those in urban areas and;
- That reasonable requests for service are met within a reasonable timeframe.

If there are questions, I may be contacted at 318-874-7011

Sincerely,

W. Michael George
President

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc. dba NortheastTel
6402 Howell Ave., PO Drawer 185, Collinston, LA 71229•Telephone: 318-874-7011•Fax: 318-874-2041•E-mail: info@ne-tel.com

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According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0572-0031 The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 4 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information

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OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS

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.

BORROWER NAME

Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc.

(Prepared with Audited Data)

INSTRUCTIONS-Submit report to RUS within 30 days after close of the period.
For detailed instructions, see RUS Bulletin 1744-2. Report in whole dollars only.

PERIOD ENDING: December, 2015

BORROWER DESIGNATION: LA0525

CERTIFICATION

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.

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.

DURING THE PERIOD COVERED BY THIS REPORT PURSUANT TO PART 1788 OF 7CFR CHAPTER XVII

(Check one of the following)

[X] All of the obligations under the RUS loan documents have been fulfilled in all material respects

[ ] 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

Rector Hopgood

3/30/2016
DATE

PART A. BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY	BALANCE PRIOR YEAR	BALANCE END OF PERIOD
CURRENT ASSETS			**CURRENT LIABILITIES**		
1. Cash and Equivalents	[redacted]	[redacted]	25. Accounts Payable	[redacted]	[redacted]
2. Cash-RUS Construc ion Fund	[redacted]	[redacted]	26. Notes Payable	[redacted]	[redacted]
3. Affiliates:	[redacted]	[redacted]	27. Advance Billings and Payments	[redacted]	[redacted]
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	28. Customer Deposits	[redacted]	[redacted]
b. Other Accounts Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	29. Current Mat. L/T Debt	[redacted]	[redacted]
c. Notes Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur. Dev.	[redacted]	[redacted]
4. Non-Affiliates:	[redacted]	[redacted]	31. Current Mat.-Capital Leases	[redacted]	[redacted]
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	32. Income Taxes Accrued	[redacted]	[redacted]
b. Other Accounts Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	33. O her Taxes Accrued	[redacted]	[redacted]
c. Notes Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	34. O her Current Liabili ies	[redacted]	[redacted]
5. Interest and Dividends Receivable	[redacted]	[redacted]	**35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)**	[redacted]	[redacted]
6. Material-Regulated	[redacted]	[redacted]	**LONG-TERM DEBT**	[redacted]	[redacted]
7. Material-Nonregulated	[redacted]	[redacted]	36. Funded Debt-RUS Notes	[redacted]	[redacted]
8. Prepayments	[redacted]	[redacted]	37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes	[redacted]	[redacted]
9. Other Current Assets	[redacted]	[redacted]	38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes	[redacted]	[redacted]
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)	[redacted]	[redacted]	39. Funded Debt-Other	[redacted]	[redacted]
NONCURRENT ASSETS	[redacted]	[redacted]	40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop. Loan	[redacted]	[redacted]
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies	[redacted]	[redacted]	41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt	[redacted]	[redacted]
a. Rural Development	[redacted]	[redacted]	42. Reacquired Debt	[redacted]	[redacted]
b. Nonrural Development	[redacted]	[redacted]	43. Obliga ions Under Capital Lease	[redacted]	[redacted]
12. Other Investments	[redacted]	[redacted]	44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies	[redacted]	[redacted]
a. Rural Development	[redacted]	[redacted]	45. Other Long-Term Debt	[redacted]	[redacted]
b. Nonrural Development	[redacted]	[redacted]	**46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)**	[redacted]	[redacted]
13. Nonregulated Investments	[redacted]	[redacted]	**OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS**	[redacted]	[redacted]
14. Other Noncurrent Assets	[redacted]	[redacted]	47. Other Long-Term Liabilities	[redacted]	[redacted]
15. Deferred Charges	[redacted]	[redacted]	48. Other Deferred Credits	[redacted]	[redacted]
16. Jurisdictional Differences	[redacted]	[redacted]	49. Other Jurisdictional Differences	[redacted]	[redacted]
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)	[redacted]	[redacted]	50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)	[redacted]	[redacted]
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT	[redacted]	[redacted]	**EQUITY**	[redacted]	[redacted]
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service	[redacted]	[redacted]	51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed	[redacted]	[redacted]
19. Property Held for Future Use	[redacted]	[redacted]	52. Additional Paid-in-Capital	[redacted]	[redacted]
20. Plant Under Construction	[redacted]	[redacted]	53. Treasury Stock	[redacted]	[redacted]
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill	[redacted]	[redacted]	54. Membership and Cap. Certificates	[redacted]	[redacted]
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation	[redacted]	[redacted]	55. O her Capital	[redacted]	[redacted]
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)	[redacted]	[redacted]	56. Patronage Capital Credits	[redacted]	[redacted]
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)	[redacted]	[redacted]	57. Retained Earnings or Margins	[redacted]	[redacted]
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)	[redacted]	[redacted]
			59. TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY (35+46+50+58)	[redacted]	[redacted]

Total Equity = 34.87% of Total Assets

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OPERATING REPORT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS

INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2

BORROWER DESIGNATION: LA0525

PERIOD ENDING: December, 2015

PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS

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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Part C. SUBSCRIBER (ACCESS LINE), ROUTE MILE, & HIGH SPEED DATA INFORMATION

	1. RATES		2. SUBSCRIBERS (ACCESS LINES)			3. ROUTE MILES	
EXCHANGE	B-1 (a)	R-1 (b)	BUSINESS (a)	RESIDENTIAL (b)	TOTAL (c)	TOTAL (including fiber) (a)	FIBER (b)
318-874 Exchange		[redacted]					
318-823 Exchange							
MobileWireless							
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area							
Total							
No. Exchanges							

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4. BROADBAND SERVICE

			Details on Least Expensive Broadband Service					
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Number Of Subscribers (c)	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg (f)	Type Of Technology (g)
318-874 Exchange		[redacted]						
318-823 Exchange								
Total								

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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
4	9	323	1.33	.98

PART E. TOLL DATA

1. Study Area ID Code(s)
   - a. 270435
   - b.
   - c.
   - d.
   - e.
   - f.
   - g.
   - h.
   - i.
   - j.

2. Types of Toll Settlements (Check one)

Interstate:	☐ Average Schedule	☒ Cost Basis
Intrastate:	☐ Average Schedule	☒ Cost Basis

PART F. FUNDS INVESTED IN PLANT DURING YEAR

1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds Expended	[redacted]
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)	[redacted]
6. Salvaged Materials	
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction	
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Plant (1 thru 7)	[redacted]

PART G. INVESTMENTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES

INVESTMENTS	CURRENT YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DATA		
	Investment This Year	Income/Loss This Year	Cumulative Investment To Date	Cumulative Income/Loss To Date	Current Balance
(a)	*(b)*	*(c)*	*(d)*	*(e)*	*(f)*
1. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Rural Development			[redacted]		[redacted]
2. Investment in Affiliated Companies - Nonrural Development					

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PART H. CURRENT DEPRECIATION RATES

Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one) [X] YES [ ] 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**	
	Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities	
3.	Add: Depreciation	
4.	Add: Amortization	
5.	Other (Explain) Loss from Asset disposal	
	Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities	
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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We were approved by NECA to accelerate the depreciation for our old copper plant. They allowed for it to be spread over 3 years. 2016 will be the final year.

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