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Title 47 §54.313(a)(1) Progress Report

Due: July 1, 2015

Company Name: Pierce Telephone Company, Inc.

Company Headquarters: Pierce, NE

Narrative

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Maps

Detailed maps are included as progress towards plan goals was made to date in 2015.

Universal Service Support Received

For the year 2014, Pierce received the following Universal Service Support:

High Cost Loop Support	████████
Interstate Common Line Support	████████
CAF-ICC	████████

For year to-date (four months) 2015, Pierce has received the following Universal Service Support:

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CAF-ICC	████████

Expenditures for the Provision, Maintenance, and Upgrading of Facilities and Services Supported by Federal Universal Service Funding:

Plant Specific Expense	████████
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense	████████
Customer Operations Expense	████████
Corporate Operations Expense	████████
Other Operating Taxes	████████
Total Operating Expenses	████████
Capital Expenditures	████████
Total Expenditures	████████

How Universal Service Support Was Used to Improve Service Quality, Coverage, or Capacity

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As Universal Service Funds are allocated dependent on past plant investment, the primary planned use of such funds is cost of money, capital recovery, income and property tax payments, and maintenance in support of this previously constructed plant.

This past investment included deployment of fiber-fed digital loop carrier equipment providing ADSL services over copper loops, bringing broadband service to [REDACTED] of the Pierce and Hoskins service areas.

These projects improved service quality by using improved DSL technology to deliver broadband services.

These projects improved service coverage by bringing broadband coverage to [REDACTED] of all services areas.

These projects improved service capacity by using improved DSL technology to deliver higher capacity broadband services.

In addition to past investments in broadband plant, PTC is also currently in progress working toward the following specific improvements or upgrades to date in calendar year 2015 pursuant to the previously filed 5-year plan:

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For the amount of Universal Support Received stated above, please note that the dollars spent would apply to each of the categories so the sum of the categorized dollars could exceed the amount shown above. For example, one project may improve both service quality and coverage and therefore would be included in both categorizations. However, if one assumes that the capital expenditures proportion of total expenditures in 2014 was used to improve service coverage and service capacity and all other expenditures were used to improve service quality in 2014, then it is estimated that the following percentages applied to each of the following in 2014 and are expected to be reasonably comparable in 2015.

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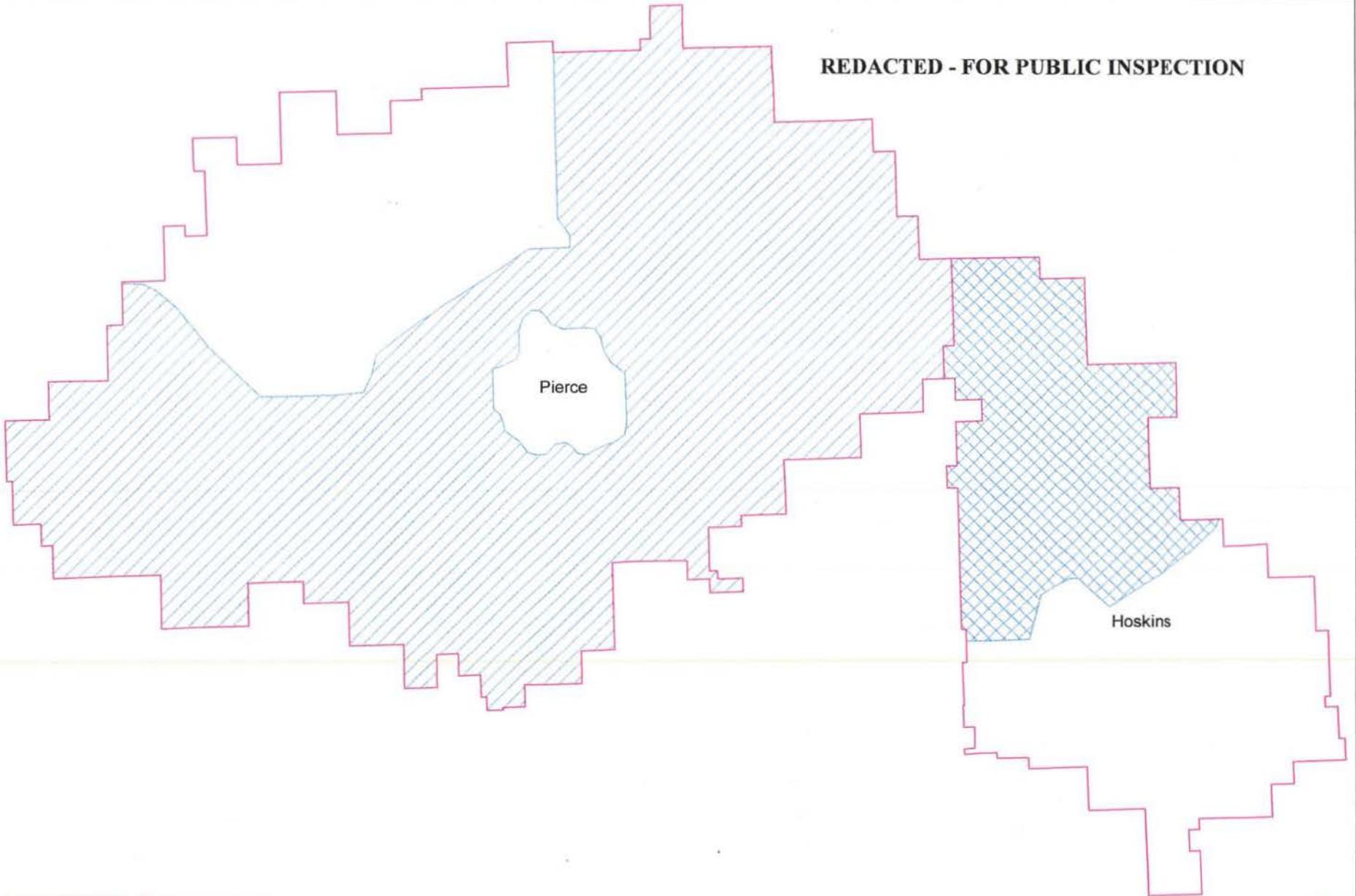
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The amount of support used to improve service capacity was [REDACTED] of the support amount received in 2014 and year to date 2015.

Explanation Regarding Any Network Improvement Targets Not Fulfilled in the Prior Calendar Year

This requirement is waived in the 2015 progress report as the prior calendar year, 2014, was not included in the 5-year plan and therefore had no associated network improvement targets.

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FIVE YEAR PLAN
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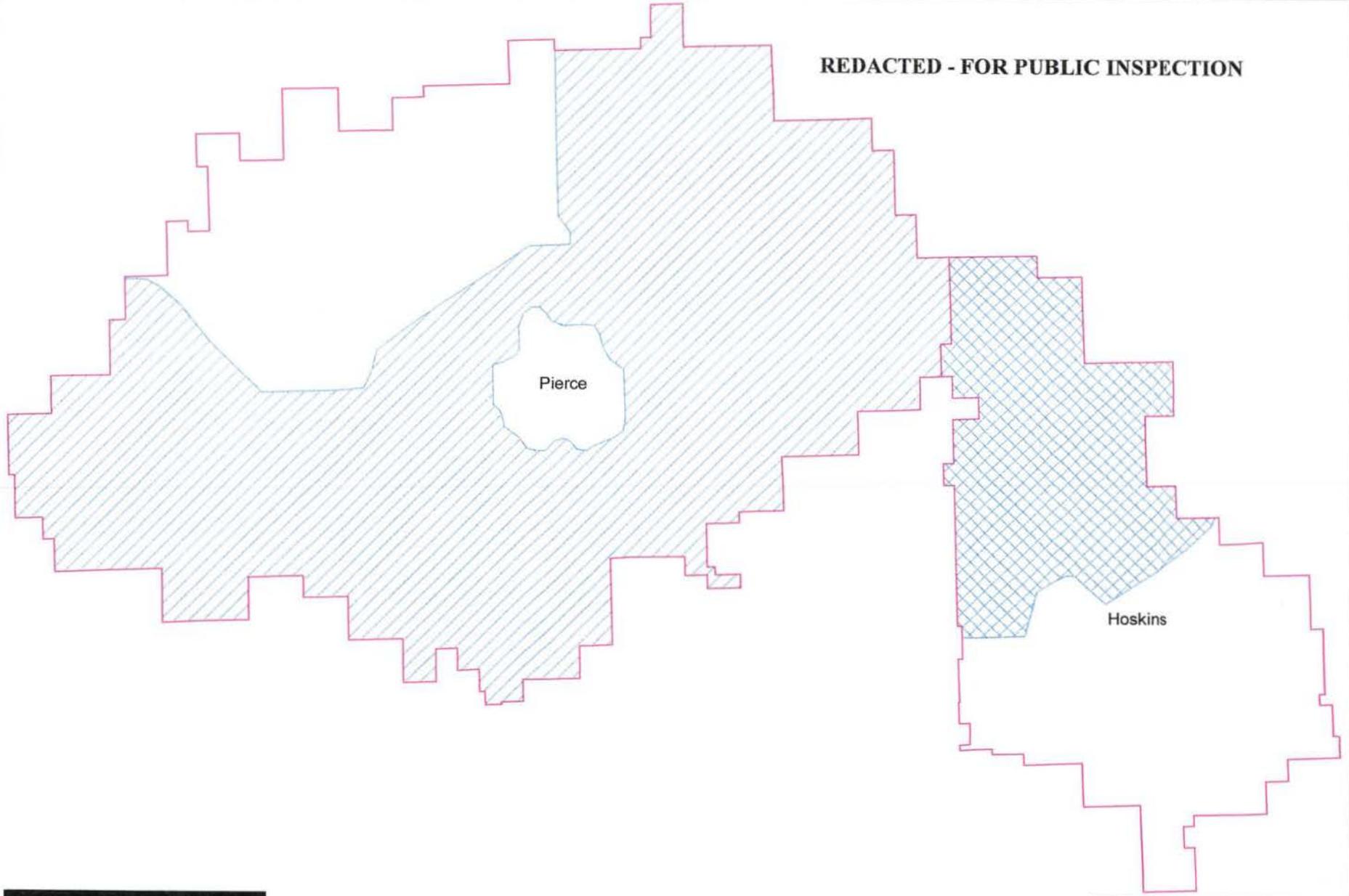
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