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**Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form**
All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

# IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

***Deadline: January 31st (Annually)***

532404
Study Area Code (SAC)
*(An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a certification form for **each SAC** through which it provides Lifeline service).*

Oregon
State

Asotin Telephone Co.
ETC Name

TDS Telecom; TDS
DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name
*(If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)*

TDS Telecommunications Corporation
Holding Company Name
*(If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)*

**Does the reporting company have affiliated ETCs?** Yes ☒ No ☐

*Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC, using page 4 and additional sheets if necessary. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with Section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.*

| Affiliated ETC's SAC | Affiliated ETC's Name |
|---|---|
| See Attached | |

For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate by-laws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, comptroller, treasurer, or a comparable position. If the filer is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification.

**Section 1:** **Initial Certification** *All ETCs must complete this section*

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place to:

A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline; and/or

B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area Code listed above.

**Initial** JD

## Section 2: Annual Recertification

*Do not leave empty blocks. If an ETC has nothing to report in a block, enter a zero.*

| A | B | C | D | E = (A – B – C – D) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Number of subscribers claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year** *(February data month)* | **Number of lines claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to wireline resellers** | **Number of subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form 497 that were initially enrolled in the current Form 555 calendar year** *(These subscribers did not have Lifeline service prior to January 1 of the current 555 calendar year.)* | **Number of subscribers de-enrolled prior to recertification attempt by either the ETC, a state administrator, access to an eligibility database, or by USAC** | **Number of subscribers ETC is responsible for recertifying for current Form 555 calendar year** |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

### Recertification Results:

| F | G | H = (F-G) | I | J = (H+I) |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Number of subscribers ETC contacted directly to recertify eligibility through attestation** | **Number of subscribers responding to ETC contact** | **Number of non-responding subscribers** | **Number of subscribers responding that they are no longer eligible** *(This should be a subset of Block G.)* | **Number of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of non-response or response of ineligibility from ETC recertification attempt** |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| K | L |
|---|---|
| **Number of subscribers whose eligibility was reviewed by state administrator, ETC access to eligibility database, or by USAC** | **Number of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of finding of ineligibility by state administrator, ETC access to eligibility database, or USAC** |
| 0 | 0 |

**Note:** *If any subscriber was reviewed by an ETC accessing a state database or by a state administrator and subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in Blocks F through J as appropriate and not in Blocks K and L. As a result, all subscribers subject to recertification who were not de-enrolled prior to the recertification attempt must be accounted for in Block F or Block K.*

***The total of Block F and Block K should equal the number reported in Block E.***

### Certification:

*Based on the data entered above, initial the certification(s) below that apply. Both Certification A and B may apply depending on the recertification procedures in place for the SAC reporting on this form. If Certification C applies, neither Certification A nor B may apply.*

**A.)** I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart above in Blocks F through J. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

**Initial** _____

**AND/OR**

**B.)** I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify consumer eligibility by relying on: *(List database or name of administrator here)* _____. Results are provided in the chart above in Blocks K through L. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

**Initial** _____

**OR**

**C.)** I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

**Initial** JD

## Section 3: De-enroll Percentage

*Using the data entered in Section 2, complete the chart below to find the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC.*

| M = (F+K) | N = (J+L) | O = ((N ÷ M) * 100) |
|---|---|---|
| **Number of subscribers that the ETC attempted to recertify directly or through a state administrator, ETC access to a state database, or by USAC** ***(This should equal the number reported in Block E)*** | **Number of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de- enrolled as a result of non-response or ineligibility** | **Percentage of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of ineligibility or non-response** |
| 0 | 0 | 0 |

## Section 4: Pre-Paid ETCs

*All ETCs must complete the appropriate check-box; pre-paid ETCs must complete all of Section 4. Pre-paid ETCs generally do not assess or collect a monthly fee from their Lifeline subscribers. ETCs that only assess a fee but do not collect such fees are pre-paid ETCs and must complete the chart below.*

**Is the ETC Pre-Paid?** Yes ☐ No ☒

*If Yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in Block Q below.*

| P | Q |
|---|---|
| Month | Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage |
| January | |
| February | |
| March | |
| April | |
| May | |
| June | |
| July | |
| August | |
| September | |
| October | |
| November | |
| December | |
| Total Subscribers | |

### Signature Block

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area Code (SAC) listed above.

Signed. Joel Dohmeier

Signature of Officer

Joel Dohmeier, Vice President
Printed Name and Title of Officer

Joel.dohmeier@tdstelecom.com
Email Address of Officer

January 27, 2016
Date

Nicole Mauritz
Person Completing This Certification Form

608.664.2415
Contact Phone Number

## Affiliated ETCs

| SAC | Name |
|---|---|
| 190217 | Amelia Telephone Corporation |
| 300585 | Arcadia Telephone Company |
| 452171 | Arizona Telephone Company |
| 361350 | Arvig Telephone Company |
| 532404 | Asotin Telephone Company (OR) |
| 522404 | Asotin Telephone Company (WA) |
| 330844 | Badger Telecom, LLC |
| 330849 | Black Earth Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 220346 | Blue Ridge Telephone Company |
| 330851 | Bonduel Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 361362 | Bridge Water Telephone Co. |
| 330856 | Burlington, Brighton & Wheatland Telephone Company, LLC |
| 250284 | Butler Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 280448 | Calhoun City Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 220351 | Camden Telephone and Telegraph Company, Inc. |
| 320744 | Camden Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330859 | Central State Telephone Company, LLC |
| 310685 | Chatham Telephone Company |
| 401698 | Cleveland County Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 100005 | Cobbosseecontee Telephone Company |
| 320776 | Communications Corporation of Indiana |
| 310672 | Communications Corporation of Michigan |
| 320809 | Communications Corporation of Southern Indiana |
| 290559 | Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc |
| 300607 | Continental Telephone Company |
| 401699 | Decatur Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 462184 | Delta County Tele-Comm, Inc. |
| 150089 | Deposit Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330875 | Dickeyville Telephone, LLC |
| 330914 | EastCoast Telecom of Wisconsin, LLC |
| 150092 | Edwards Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330880 | The Farmers Telephone Company, LLC |
| 330930 | Grantland Telecom, LLC |
| 100010 | Hampden Telephone Company |
| 542321 | Happy Valley Telephone Company |
| 100011 | Hartland & St. Albans Telephone Company |
| 123321 | Hollis Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 320777 | The Home Telephone Company of Pittsboro, Inc. |
| 320778 | Home Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 542322 | Hornitos Telephone Company |
| 290566 | Humphreys County Telephone Company |
| 310677 | Island Telephone Company |
| 120045 | Kearsarge Telephone Company |
| 361413 | KMP d/b/a Mid-State Telephone Company |
| 260411 | Leslie County Telephone Company |
| 522427 | Lewis River Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 260412 | Lewisport Telephone Co. |
| 300613 | Little Miami Communications Corporation |

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| SAC | Name |
|---|---|
| 140058 | Ludlow Telephone Company |
| 170183 | Mahanoy & Mahantango Telephone Company |
| 240533 | McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 522430 | McDaniel Telephone Company |
| 320788 | The Merchants and Farmers Telephone Company |
| 120047 | Merrimack County Telephone Company |
| 432010 | Mid-America Telephone, Inc. |
| 330881 | Mid-Plains Telephone, LLC |
| 361433 | Mid-State Telephone Company |
| 330909 | Midway Telephone Company, LLC |
| 330917 | Mt. Vernon Telephone Company, LLC |
| 330915 | Mosinee Telehphone Company |
| 287449 | Myrtle Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 220375 | Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company |
| 193029 | New Castle Telephone Co. |
| 140061 | Northfield Telephone Company |
| 240535 | Norway Telephone Co. Inc |
| 250311 | Oakman Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 300645 | Oakwood Telephone Company |
| 431984 | Oklahoma Communication Systems, Inc. |
| 150114 | Oriskany Falls Telephone Corporation |
| 250314 | Peoples Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 140062 | Perkinsville Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150118 | Port Byron Telephone Company |
| 472230 | Potlatch Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 210338 | Quincy Telephone Company (FL) |
| 220338 | Quincy Telephone Company (GA) |
| 330943 | Riverside Telecom, LLC |
| 320816 | S & W Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 260417 | Salem Telephone Co. |
| 330945 | Scandinavia Telephone Company, LLC |
| 310726 | Shiawassee Telephone Company |
| 100024 | Somerset Telephone Company |
| 283301 | Southeast Mississippi Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 330952 | Southeast Telephone Co. of Wisconsin, LLC |
| 452174 | Southwestern Telephone Company |
| 240544 | St. Stephen Telephone Company |
| 330955 | State Long Distance Telephone Company |
| 330954 | Stockbridge & Sherwood Telephone Company, LLC |
| 462207 | Strasburg Telephone Company |
| 170206 | Sugar Valley Telephone Company |
| 290578 | Tellico Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 290575 | Tennessee Telephone Company |
| 330958 | Tenney Telephone Company, LLC |
| 100007 | The Island Telephone Company |
| 300662 | The Vanlue Telephone Company |
| 320829 | Tipton Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 150129 | Township Telephone Company, Inc. |

## Affiliated ETCs

| SAC | Name |
|---|---|
| 320830 | Tri-County Communications Corporation |
| 120049 | Union Telephone Company |
| 330963 | Utelco, LLC. |
| 150133 | Vernon Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 190253 | Virginia Telephone Company |
| 100031 | Warren Telephone Company |
| 330968 | Waunakee Telephone Company, LLC. |
| 100034 | The West Penobscot Telephone and Telegraph Company |
| 320837 | West Point Telephone Company |
| 240551 | Williston Telephone Company |
| 120050 | Wilton Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 361507 | Winsted Telephone Company |
| 542323 | Winterhaven Telephone Company |
| 310738 | Wolverine Telephone Company |
| 432034 | Wyandotte Telephone Company |
| 109002 | U.S. Cellular |
| 239006 | Wilmington Cellular Telephone Company |
| 239006 | Jacksonville Cellular Telephone Company |
| 209005 | Hardy Cellular Telephone Company |
| 359016 | Farmers Cellular Telephone Company, Inc. |
| 359016 | Iowa RSA No. 12 Limited Partnership |
| 529001 | McDaniel Cellular Telephone Company |
| 539002 | USCOC of Oregon RSA #5, Inc. |
| 529001 | USCOC of Washington-4, Inc. |
| 359016 | Iowa RSA No.9 Limited Partnership |
| 339007 | United States Cellular Operating Company, LLC |
| 339007 | Kenosha Cellular Telephone, L.P. |
| 339007 | Madison Cellular Telephone Company |
| 109002 | Maine RSA #1, Inc. |
| 109002 | Maine RSA #4, Inc. |
| 129002 | NH #1 Rural Cellular, Inc. |
| 539002 | Oregon RSA #2, Inc. (OR) |
| 529001 | Oregon RSA #2, Inc. (WA) |
| 339007 | PCS Wisconsin, LLC |
| 339007 | Racine Cellular Telephone Company |
| 109002 | Bangor Cellular Telephone, L.P. |
| 359016 | Cedar Rapids Cellular Telephone, L.P. |
| 349007 | United States Cellular Operating Company of Chicago, LLC |
| 359016 | Dubuque Cellular Telephone, L.P. |
| 299010 | United States Cellular Operating Company of Knoxville |
| 299010 | Tennessee RSA No. 3 Limited Partnership |
| 299010 | United States Cellular Telephone Company (Greater Knoxville), LP. |
| 539002 | United States Cellular Operating Company of Medford |
| 529001 | Yakima MSA Limited Partnership |
| 349007 | USCOC of Central Illinois, LLC |
| 359016 | USCOC of Greater Iowa, LLC (IA) |
| 349007 | USCOC of Greater Iowa, LLC (IL) |

## Affiliated ETCs

| SAC | Name |
|---|---|
| 379019 | USCOC of Greater Iowa, LLC (NE) |
| 349007 | USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC (IL) |
| 429007 | USCOC of Greater Missouri, LLC (MO) |
| 239006 | USCOC of Greater North Carolina, LLC |
| 439004 | USCOC of Greater Oklahoma, LLC |
| 339007 | USCOC of LaCrosse, LLC |
| 419012 | USCOC Nebraska/Kansas, LLC (KS) |
| 379019 | USCOC Nebraska/Kansas, LLC (NE) |
| 529001 | USCOC of Richland, Inc. |
| 439004 | Texahoma Cellular LP |
| 199004 | USCOC of Virginia RSA #3, Inc. |
| 529001 | Western Sub-RSA Limited Partnership |
| 159014 | St. Lawrence Seaway RSA Cellular Partnership |
| 159015 | New York RSA 2 Cellular |
| 542343 | Volcano Communications Company |