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Annual 47 C.F.R. § 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification
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Annual 64.2009(e) CPNI Certification for 2007

Date of execution: February 25, 2008

Name of Company covered by this certification: Benton Cooperative Telephone Company

Form 499 Filer ID: 801729

Name of Officer signing: Cheryl Scapanski

Title of Officer signing: General Manager

I, Cheryl Scapanski, certify that I am an officer of the Company named above, and acting as an agent of the Company, that I have personal knowledge that the Company has established operating procedures that are adequate to ensure compliance with the Commission's CPNI rules. *See 47 C.F.R. § 64.2001 et seq.*

Attached to this certification as Exhibit 1 is an accompanying statement explaining how the Company's operating procedures ensure that the Company is in compliance with the requirements set forth in section 64.2001 *et seq.* of the Commission's rules.

The Company has not taken any actions (proceedings instituted or petitions filed by a company at either state commission, the court system, or at the Commission against data brokers) against data brokers in the past year.

The Company has not received any customer complaints in the past year concerning the unauthorized release of CPNI.

The Company currently has no information with respect to the processes pretexters are using to attempt to access CPNI. At this time, we have not encountered known pretexting. Our protective measures against pretexters are outlined in the accompanying statement of operating procedures.

Signed Cheryl Scapanski

cc: Telecommunications Consumers Division, Enforcement Bureau
Best Copy and Printing, Inc.

Exhibit 1

BENTON COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY**Accompanying Statement of Operating Procedures**

Per the FCC CPNI rules [47 CFR §64.2009(e)] and as referenced in the attached signed certification, Benton Cooperative Telephone Company, herein referenced as the Company hereby certifies that the Company is in compliance with the FCC CPNI rules and has outlined some of the important operating procedures below in order to ensure the Company's compliance in the protection of CPNI:

1. CPNI manual has been updated in order to account for all FCC CPNI rules, including the recent revisions, and has been adopted by our Company's board
2. CPNI Compliance officer has been designated to oversee all CPNI duties, training, and activity
 - o Established an outbound marketing supervisory review process for the use of CPNI
 - o Records are maintained for any marketing campaigns that utilize customers' CPNI for a minimum of one year
3. Employees have been trained on when they are, and are not, authorized to use or disclose CPNI
 - o Disciplinary process has been defined and is in place for violations and/or breaches of CPNI
4. Carrier authentication requirements have been met
 - o All customer during a customer-initiated telephone call are authenticated as being an authorized account contact before discussing CPNI (non-call detail or call detail) without utilizing readily available biographical or account information as defined by the FCC
 - o Call detail is only released to customers during customer-initiated telephone contact if a password is provided. If the requesting customer does not provide a password, only the following FCC approved methods are permitted for the release of the requested call detail:
 - Sending the requested detail to the address of record (only a physical or email address associated with that particular account that has been in our company files for at least 30 days)
 - Calling the customer back at the telephone of record (only disclosing if the customer was authenticated as being an authorized account contact)
 - Having customer come in to Company's office and provide a valid government issued photo ID
5. Notice to customer of account change as customers are notified immediately when a customer creates or changes one of the following:
 - o password
 - o customer response to a back-up means of authentication for lost or forgotten passwords
 - o online account
 - o address of record
6. Notice of unauthorized disclosure of CPNI, a notification process is in place in order to notify both law enforcement and customer(s) in the event of a CPNI breach within the timeline specified by the FCC
7. Opt-out method for approval of CPNI use for marketing campaigns is utilized
 - o Customers are notified bi-annually of their rights for the use of their CPNI in marketing campaigns
 - o New customers are notified of the opt-out procedure as a part of the customer sign-up process
 - o Billing system displays customer's opting status
 - o Compliance officer retains CPNI notifications and opting records for at least two years
8. Additional protection measures are taken above and beyond the current FCC CPNI rules
 - o Company takes reasonable measures to discover and protect against activity that is indicative of pretexting
 - o Company maintains security of all CPNI, including but not limited to:
 - Documents containing CPNI are shredded
 - Computer terminals are locked when employee is not at the station