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September 30, 2013

By Hand Delivery

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

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90, WC Docket No. 11-42
2013 ETC Annual Report of Baraga Telephone Company
Study Area Code 310675**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of Baraga Telephone Company “Baraga”, 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 Baraga 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.

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall
JSI Vice President
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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 12-1857 rel. Nov. 16, 2012 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

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<010> Study Area Code	310675
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ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS	54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
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<i>(check box when complete)</i>		
<100> Service Quality Improvement Reporting	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<200> Outage Reporting (voice)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<300> Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)	<input type="text" value="0"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<310> Detail on Attempts (voice)	<i>(attach descriptive document)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<320> Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
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<500> Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	<i>(check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<700> Company Price Offerings (voice)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<710> Company Price Offerings (broadband)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<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"/>	<i>(if yes, complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<1000> Voice Services Rate Comparability	<i>(check to indicate certification)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<1010> <input type="text"/>	<i>(attach descriptive document)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<1100> Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)? <input checked="" type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>	<i>(if not, check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<1110>	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input style="background-color: #cccccc;" 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 style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<2005>	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>	<i>(check to indicate certification)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" type="checkbox"/>
<3005>	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input style="background-color: #cccccc;" 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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<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	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input checked="" type="radio"/>
<111> year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) <input type="radio"/> <input type="radio"/>

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 (.pdf)

Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, 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	<input type="checkbox"/>
<114> Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	<input type="checkbox"/>
<115> How (USF) was used to improve service quality	<input type="checkbox"/>
<116> How (USF) was used to improve service coverage	<input type="checkbox"/>
<117> How (USF) was used to improve service capacity	<input type="checkbox"/>
<118> Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	<input type="checkbox"/>

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<910> Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves Keweenaw Bay Indian Community

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

310675mi920

Name of Attached Document (.pdf)

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes, No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, 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, No, NA)
Yes
Yes

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481
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<1120> Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G)

<1130> Please check this box 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	FCC Form 481
Lifeline	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of attached document (.pdf)

<1220> Link to Public Website

HTTP <http://www.baragatelephone.com/tariff.php>

“Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, 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

FCC Form 481

Data Collection Form

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CHECK the boxes below 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)(1)}

<2011> 3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)}

Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}

<2012> 2013 Frozen Support Certification

<2013> 2014 Frozen Support Certification

<2014> 2015 Frozen Support Certification

<2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification

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)}

<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 PDF , 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 Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information _____

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation	FCC Form 481
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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its 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

(3010) Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)} Please check this box to confirm that the attached PDF , on line 3012,	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3011) contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(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.		
(3012) Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)}		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report 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:		<input type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers)		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3016) PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(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	<input type="checkbox"/>
(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 :		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Yes/No)
(3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3020) PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3021) Management letter 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:		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(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,		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3025) PDF of Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows		<input type="checkbox"/>
(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	310675mi3026

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.	

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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:	BARAGA TEL CO
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 09/20/2013
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Paul Stark
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	President
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	906 353 6644
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	310675 Filing Due Date for this form: 10/15/2013
<small>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.</small>	

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:	BARAGA TEL CO
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	John Staurulakis, Inc.
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 09/20/2013
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Amanda Molina
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Consultant Revenue Requirements
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	770-569-2105
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	310675 Filing Due Date for this form: 10/15/2013
<small>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.</small>	

Attachments

The Baraga Telephone Company’s demonstration of complying 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 Commission 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

The Baraga Telephone Company (“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 state law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) filing a Local Exchange Tariff pursuant to the requirements of The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC), as specified in Section 202(b) of the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA) and MPSC Case No. U-11103, which disclose rates, terms and conditions of service to customers; (2) adherence to Michigan state consumer protection requirements governing

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.

telephone providers, Prohibitions as identified in Sections 305 and 502 of the MTA, Costing Procedures as determined by the MPSC in Case No. U-11103, and Compliance with Anti-Slamming Procedures as adopted in MPSC Case No. U-11757 and Case No. 11900; and (3) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

The Baraga Telephone Company’s demonstration of ability to function in emergency situations:

The Baraga Telephone Company (“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 and the Michigan Telecommunications Act (MTA). 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 will also allow the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable 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 has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites in accordance with the specifications identified in Section 305c(a) of the MTA, 484.2305c Emergency power requirements; compliance.

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.”

Baraga Telephone Co.

September 12, 2013

Tribal Lands Engagement Letter
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
Baraga, MI 49908

Re: FCC Form 481

Dear Sirs,

The Baraga Telephone Company, BTC, serves the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, KBIC, reservation located in Baraga County, Michigan. It should also be noted that I am a member of this tribal community, (enrollment number 5179). Our primary customer service representative in the Baraga office is also a tribal member.

Throughout the year 2012 we at BTC have worked on a couple of projects with the KBIC. We communicated primarily with Mr. Ken Marshall and we also met with the Tribal President, Mr. Warren C. Swartz, Jr. In previous years BTC has worked with Tribal attorneys to try to resolve sales tax issues between the Tribe and the State of Michigan.

At the end of 2012 all of the Tribal Anchor Institutions were connected by fiber to the Baraga central office and also to an intra-tribal high speed data, fiber optic network installed and maintained by BTC.

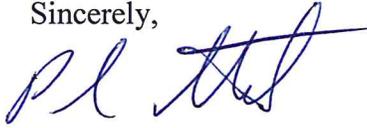
During the year 2012 we discussed Tribal needs and deployment planning with service to Tribal Community anchor institutions with Mr. Marshall. We also discussed Rights of Way compliance, Land Use permitting, Facilities siting, Environmental Review processes and compliance with Cultural Preservation processes with Mr. Marshall.

Representatives of the Baraga Telephone Company met with the Tribal President Swartz on Oct. 17, 2012 to discuss any problems that the Tribe might have with BTC and how we might better serve the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. This discussion included feasibility and sustainability planning and marketing in a culturally sensitive manner.

September 12, 2013

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Stark". The signature is stylized with a large initial "P" and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Paul Stark

pwstark@up.net

President and General Manager, Baraga Telephone Company

KEWEENAW BAY INDIAN COMMUNITY

2004 TRIBAL COUNCIL

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WARREN C. SWARTZ, JR., Asst. Secretary
JENNIFER MISEGAN, Treasurer

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May 4, 2004

Paul W. Stark
107 Pine St.
Baraga, MI 49908

Dear Applicant, Parent or Legal Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that on April 21, 2004 our Enrollment Committee approved the application for the membership into the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for Paul W. Stark. His enrollment number is 5179. He may stop in the Tribal Center to have his photo taken for his membership card.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call the Enrollment Office at (906) 353-6623 ext. 4111.

Sincerely,


William E. Emery
Tribal President

Enclosure

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BUSINESS LICENSE

KNOW ALL PERSONS, by these presents, that the holder of this BUSINESS LICENSE has been granted the privilege of engaging in business on the L'Anse Federal Indian Reservation by the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community Tribal Council subject to the following terms and conditions:

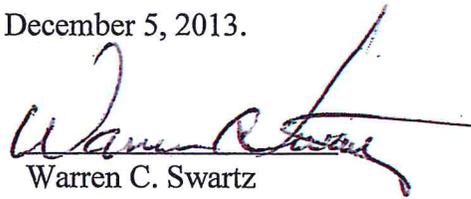
LICENSEE: Paul W. Stark
d/b/a Baraga Telephone Company
107 Pine Street
Baraga, MI 49908
353-6644

TYPE OF LICENSE: Communications and Data Services.

LOCATION: Baraga Telephone Company
204 State Street (Main Office)
Baraga, MI 49908
353-6644

REQUIREMENTS: Licensee shall comply with all applicable tribal and federal laws and regulations. Failure to comply with all applicable laws and regulations will immediately void this license.

EFFECTIVE DATES: December 6, 2012 – December 5, 2013.



Warren C. Swartz
President
Keweenaw Bay Indian Community

THIS LICENSE MUST BE POSTED IN A PROMINENT AND VISIBLE LOCATION AT ALL TIMES

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