

June 30, 2014

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

Re: WC Docket No. 10-90, Annual §54.313 Report of High-Cost Recipient

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed herein is the annual report for Triangle Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc., Study Area Code 482257 pursuant to §54.313 of the Commission's rules. Triangle Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc. is a state-designated ETC.

Should you have any questions, please contact me via e-mail at rstevens@itstriangle.net or by phone at (406)394-7807.

Sincerely,



Richard Stevens
General Manager

Enclosure

Cc: Montana Public Service Commission
Fort Belknap Tribal Council
Chippewa Cree Tribal Business Committee
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa

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ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS	54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
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<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband) <input type="text" value="19"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<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 type="checkbox"/>
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<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 type="checkbox"/>
<1110>		<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input 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 type="checkbox"/>
<2005>		<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet				
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<3005>		<i>(complete attached worksheet)</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input 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 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(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.

482257mt112.pdf

Name of Attached Document

Please check these boxes below 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		<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**

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

Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation
Fort Belknap Indian Reservation
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Reservation

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

482257mt920.pdf

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:

- <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
No
Yes

**(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting
Data Collection Form**

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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 Lifeline Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

482257m-1210.pdf

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.

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation Data Collection Form <i>Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers</i>	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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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 document(s), 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

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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.

(3010) Progress Report on 5 Year Plan Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3011) Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier 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

(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) (Yes/No) Yes No

(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report (Yes/No) Yes No

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), 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) for 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

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited? (Yes/No) 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

(3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(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:

(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

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:	TRIANGLE TEL COOP
Signature of Authorized Officer:	CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/26/2014
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	Richard Stevens
Title or position of Authorized Officer:	General Manager/CEO
Telephone number of Authorized Officer:	4063947807 ext. 852
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier:	482257 Filing Due Date for this form: 07/01/2014
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.	

Attachments

Annual Reporting for High-Cost Recipients
47 C.F.R. §54.313
Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn. Inc.

Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan – §54.313 (a)(1)

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. 54.202(a)(1)(ii), Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn. Inc. (Triangle) submits a five-year plan that describes proposed improvements or upgrades to its network throughout its proposed service area. Triangle also provides estimates regarding the area and population that will be served as a result of the improvements. This plan is based on Triangle's current business and financial conditions and is subject to change as a result of changes in those conditions.

The receipt of USF support, combined with other funding sources will allow Triangle to continue to provide reliable, state-of-the-art, high-quality voice and broadband service to its 9,532 rural customers. Triangle has twenty-six (26) wire centers identified as follows: JPLNMTXCRS1 in Joplin, MT, RDPNMTXCRS1 in Reed Point, MT, BXELMTXCRS1 in Box Elder, MT, RDYRMTXCRS1 in Rudyard, MT, CHNKMTXCDS0 in Chinook, MT, KRMLMTXCRS1 in Kremlin, MT, GLFRMTXCRS1 in Gildford, MT, BGSNMTXCRS1 in Big Sandy, MT, TRNRMTXCRS1 in Turner, MT, HPILMTXCRS1 in Hopp-Illiad, MT, SMHRMTXCRS1 in Simpson, MT, SHVRMTXCRS1 in South Havre, MT, HNHMMTXCRS1 in Hingham, MT, NHVRMTXCRS1 in North Havre, MT, SCHSMTXCRS1 in South Chester, MT, WINFMTXCDS0 in Winifred, MT, MEVLMTXCRS1 in Melville, MT, SMLTMTXCRS1 in South Malta, MT, RPLJMTXCRS1 in Rapelje, MT, BRVWMTXCRS1 in Broadview, MT, MOLTMTXCRS1 in Molt, MT, HAYSMTXCRS1 in Zortman, MT, WHWRMTXCRS1 in Whitewater, MT, LOMAMTXCRS1 in Loma, MT, CHESMTXCRS1 in Chester, MT, and BGTMMTXCDS0 in Big Timber, MT.

Of these wire centers, BGSNMTXCRS1 in Big Sandy, MT, NHVRMTXCRS1 in North Havre, MT, HPILMTXCRS1 in Hopp-Illiad, MT, CHNKMTXCDS0 in Chinook, MT and SHVRMTXCRS1 in South Havre, MT have already been upgraded to FTTH in the years 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011 and 2012 respectively. All five (5) wire centers are capable of delivering gigabit active Ethernet services. Subscribers served by these facilities have access that meets or exceeds the 4/1 Mbps standard. No capital improvements are required for those subscribers meeting the 4/1 Mbps standard other than maintenance of facilities. Approximately 54.1 million dollars has been spent constructing these FTTH upgrades.

The wire centers of CHESMTXCRS1 in Chester, MT and JPLNMTXCRS1 in Joplin, MT are in the construction phase of FTTH this summer and consist of replacing approximately 514 miles of copper cable plant with fiber. The estimated value of this upgrade is 12.85 million dollars.

The wire centers of GLFRMTXCRS1 in Gildford, MT and WINFMTXCDS0 in Winifred, MT are in the FTTH engineering and right-of-way procurement phase this summer and consist of replacing approximately 463 miles of copper cable plant with fiber. The estimated value of this upgrade is 11.58 million dollars.

The wire centers of SCHSMTXCRS1 in South Chester, MT, BGTMMTXCDS0 in Big Timber, MT, RDPNMTXCRS1 in Reed Point, MT, and MOLTMTXCRS1 in Molt, MT have already been upgraded to 18Kft customer service areas (CSA's) which cost Triangle an estimated 12.8 million dollars to complete. These upgrades have been completed with access equipment that, while state of the art at the time of installation, is now nearing its maximum capabilities from a bandwidth delivery standpoint.

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The remaining thirteen (13) wire centers BXELMTXCRS1 in Box Elder, MT, RDYRMTXCRS1 in Rudyard, MT, KRMLMTXCRS1 in Kremlin, MT, TRNRMTXCRS1 in Turner, MT, SMHRMTXCRS1 in Simpson, MT, HNHMMTXCRS1 in Hingham, MT, MEVLMTXCRS1 in Melville, MT, SMLTMTXCRS1 in South Malta, MT, RPLJMTXCRS1 in Rapelje, MT, BRVWMTXCRS1 in Broadview, MT, HAYSMTXCRS1 in Zortman, MT, WHWRMTXCRS1 in Whitewater, MT, and LOMAMTXCRS1 in Loma, MT have had varying degrees of upgrades performed to them to enhance their voice and broadband capabilities.

Triangle is continually updating and growing its data network with (9) Cisco ASR9K and (6) Cisco 7609 routers presently deployed. An estimated 2.35 million dollars have been invested in this data network to date. This investment has allowed Triangle to create two network diverse Internet Service Provider (ISP) POP's with our state wide network, Vision Net, Inc., which creates a more resilient network during an accidental fiber cut. In addition, Triangle upgraded its switching network in 2010 to an all IP Genband Soft Switch platform.

Network protection and route redundancy have been one of the focal points for Triangle during the past few years. This protection and redundancy plan has included the investment in two (2) large fiber optic rings and Dense Wave Division Multiplexing (DWDM) equipment totaling an estimated 2 million dollars to complete. In 2014, Triangle will complete the installation and turn-up of a third fiber optic ring which will provide network protection and redundancy to the lower third of our network, making our entire network ring protected.

All of the above mentioned upgrades have utilized USF support, combined with RUS funding, to provide reliable, state-of-the-art, high-quality voice and broadband service to the 9,532 rural customers that Triangle serves. Triangle received USF HCL support totaling \$10,513,098 and \$12,613,056 in 2012 and 2013 respectively.

The 5 year plan below shows how Triangle intends to upgrade its network so that a minimum broadband speed of 4/1 Mbps can be offered to a larger portion of our customer base and to maintain high-quality voice service. The subscribers who do not have broadband service meeting the 4/1 Mbps standard will be provided service at the 4/1 Mbps standard upon a reasonable request with the priorities to be determined by Triangle.

Triangle anticipates that it will make the following improvements and/or upgrades to its network over the next five years:

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47 C.F.R. §54.313
Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn. Inc.

2015 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades VOICE				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Replace Dslams in the Exchanges of Gildford and Hingham	August 2014	December 2015	Gildford and Hingham Exchanges	168
Fiber to the Home - Replace 162 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Chester Exchange.	June 2011	December 2015	Chester Exchange	631
Fiber to the Home - Replace 352 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Joplin Exchange.	June 2011	December 2015	Joplin Exchange	270
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2015	December 2015	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

2016 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades VOICE				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Replace old copper span lines with 19 miles of fiber to four DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and alleviate bandwidth constraints in the South Chester Exchange.	March 2015	December 2016	South Chester Exchange	40
Replace old copper span lines with 23 miles of fiber to 12 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints in the Big Timber Exchange.	November 2014	December 2016	Big Timber Exchange	175

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Fiber to the Home - Replace 99 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Gildford Exchange.	June 2014	June 2016	Gildford Exchange	136
Fiber to the Home - Replace 364 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Winifred Exchange.	June 2014	June 2016	Winifred Exchange	305
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2016	December 2016	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

2017 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades VOICE				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Fiber to the Home - Replace 151 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Kremlin Exchange.	June 2015	December 2017	Kremlin Exchange	99
Fiber to the Home - Replace 246 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Loma Exchange.	June 2015	December 2017	Loma Exchange	92
Replace old copper span lines with 22.5 miles of fiber. Upgrade existing TDM access platform to 9 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints in the Big Timber Exchange.	November 2015	December 2017	Big Timber Exchange	150
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2017	December 2017	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

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2018 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades VOICE				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Fiber to the Home - Replace 110 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Hingham Exchange.	June 2015	December 2018	Hingham Exchange	119
Fiber to the Home - Replace 252 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Rudyard Exchange.	June 2015	December 2018	Rudyard Exchange	236
Replace old copper span lines with 21 miles of fiber. Upgrade existing TDM access platform to 13 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints in the Big Timber Exchange.	November 2016	December 2018	Big Timber Exchange	200
Upgrade 6 miles of copper span line to fiber at Whispering Pines in the Big Timber Exchange.	October 2012	December 2018	Big Timber Exchange	130
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2018	December 2018	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

2019 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades VOICE				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Fiber to the Home - Replace 272 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Simpson Exchange.	June 2016	December 2019	Simpson Exchange	129
Fiber to the Home - Replace 98 miles of	June 2016	December	Box Elder	

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copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Box Elder Exchange.		2019	Exchange	277
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2019	December 2019	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

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2015 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades BROADBAND				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Replace Dslams in the Gildford and Hingham Exchanges.	August 2014	December 2015	Gildford and Hingham Exchanges	168
Fiber to the Home - Replace 162 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Chester Exchange.	June 2011	December 2015	Chester Exchange	631
Fiber to the Home - Replace 352 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Joplin Exchange.	June 2011	December 2015	Joplin Exchange	270
Upgrade existing DLC electronics to provide faster broadband speeds to the residents of our WhiteWater Exchange.	June 2014	June 2015	WhiteWater Exchange	149
Upgrade existing DLC electronics to provide faster broadband speeds to the residents of our ReedPoint Exchange.	June 2014	June 2015	ReedPoint Exchange	222
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2015	December 2015	All TTC Exchanges	9,532
Install equipment to provide fixed wireless broadband service.	January 2013	December 2015	Hays, Box Elder, and Chinook Exchanges	1,098

2016 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades BROADBAND				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served

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Replace old copper span lines with 19 miles of fiber to four DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and alleviate bandwidth constraints in the South Chester Exchange.	March 2015	December 2016	South Chester Exchange	40
Upgrade existing DLC electronics to provide faster broadband speeds to the residents of our South Chester Exchange.	March 2015	December 2016	South Chester Exchange	74
Replace old copper span lines with 23 miles of fiber to 12 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints in the Big Timber Exchange.	November 2014	December 2016	Big Timber Exchange	175
Fiber to the Home - Replace 99 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Gildford Exchange.	June 2014	June 2016	Gildford Exchange	136
Fiber to the Home - Replace 364 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Winifred Exchange.	June 2014	June 2016	Winifred Exchange	305
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2016	December 2016	All TTC Exchanges	9,532
Install equipment to provide fixed wireless broadband service.	January 2014	December 2016	Winifred, Rapelje and Chinook Exchanges	716

2017 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades BROADBAND				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served

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Fiber to the Home - Replace 151 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Kremlin Exchange.	June 2015	December 2017	Kremlin Exchange	99
Fiber to the Home - Replace 246 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Loma Exchange.	June 2015	December 2017	Loma Exchange	92
Replace old copper span lines with 22.5 miles of fiber. Upgrade existing TDM access platform to 9 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints in the Big Timber Exchange.	November 2015	December 2017	Big Timber Exchange	150
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2017	December 2017	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

2018 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades BROADBAND				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Fiber to the Home - Replace 110 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Hingham Exchange.	June 2015	December 2018	Hingham Exchange	119
Fiber to the Home - Replace 252 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Rudyard Exchange.	June 2015	December 2018	Rudyard Exchange	236
Replace old copper span lines with 21 miles of fiber. Upgrade existing TDM access platform to 13 DLC sites to improve the quality and reliability of voice lines, and bandwidth constraints	November 2016	December 2018	Big Timber Exchange	200

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in the Big Timber Exchange.				
Upgrade 6 miles of copper span line to fiber at Whispering Pines in the Big Timber Exchange.	October 2012	December 2018	Big Timber Exchange	130
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2018	December 2018	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

2019 Projected Network Improvements/Upgrades BROADBAND				
Project Description	Estimated Start Date	Estimated Completion Date	Area Served	Population Served
Fiber to the Home - Replace 272 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Simpson Exchange.	June 2016	December 2019	Simpson Exchange	129
Fiber to the Home - Replace 98 miles of copper with fiber for residential and business customers in the Box Elder Exchange.	June 2016	December 2019	Box Elder Exchange	277
Load test the battery plants at all 26 wire centers and 195 DLC locations for capacity and physical deterioration. Replace batteries as needed.	January 2019	December 2019	All TTC Exchanges	9,532

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The Company projects that the capital expenditures, by Part 32 account, for 2015 through 2019 for the projects related to VOICE services listed above will be:

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
2110 Land & General Support	0	0	0	0	0
2210 Central Office Switching	420,000	500,000	490,000	510,000	520,000
2230 Central Office Transmission	1,710,000	1,800,000	1,990,000	2,600,000	2,000,000
2410 Cable & Wire Facilities	7,560,000	5,490,000	6,140,000	6,380,000	7,720,000
Total Capital Expenditures	9,690,000	7,790,000	8,620,000	9,490,000	10,240,000

In addition to the above planned capital expenditures, the Company projects that it will incur the following operating expenses related to VOICE services, by expense category, over the next five years:

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Plant Specific	2,640,000	2,720,000	2,810,000	2,890,000	2,980,000
Plant Nonspecific	1,690,000	1,740,000	1,790,000	1,840,000	1,900,000
Depreciation	5,380,000	5,540,000	5,700,000	5,870,000	6,050,000
Customer Operations	710,000	730,000	760,000	780,000	800,000
Corporate Operations	1,420,000	1,460,000	1,500,000	1,550,000	1,590,000
Total Operating Expenses	11,840,000	12,190,000	12,560,000	12,930,000	13,320,000

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The Company projects that the capital expenditures, by Part 32 account, for 2015 through 2019 for the projects related to BROADBAND services listed above will be:

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
2110 Land & General Support	0	0	0	0	0
2210 Central Office Switching	190,000	220,000	220,000	230,000	230,000
2230 Central Office Transmission	760,000	800,000	890,000	1,170,000	900,000
2410 Cable & Wire Facilities	3,390,000	2,460,000	2,760,000	2,860,000	3,200,000
Total Capital Expenditures	4,340,000	3,480,000	3,870,000	4,260,000	4,330,000

In addition to the above planned capital expenditures, the Company projects that it will incur the following operating expenses related to BROADBAND services, by expense category, over the next five years:

	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Plant Specific	1,150,000	1,190,000	1,220,000	1,260,000	1,330,000
Plant Nonspecific	1,070,000	1,120,000	1,170,000	1,230,000	1,350,000
Depreciation	2,710,000	2,810,000	2,920,000	3,030,000	3,280,000
Customer Operations	640,000	660,000	670,000	680,000	710,000
Corporate Operations	610,000	630,000	650,000	670,000	710,000
Total Operating Expenses	6,180,000	6,410,000	6,630,000	6,870,000	7,380,000

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Unfulfilled Service Requests - Voice

Triangle had six unfulfilled new service requests during 2013 all of which required construction to the subscriber premise. On four of these requests, we received easements to complete construction after the ground had frozen and the construction season was over. Construction of these projects was completed in the spring of 2014.

One of the other requests is for an area that Triangle does not have adequate facilities to provide service. It is an area containing mostly cabins and is not economically feasible to plow cable and install the electronics to serve.

On the last unfulfilled service request during 2013, the subscriber changed the location where he wanted service late in the fall of 2013. We are in the process of planning this project and obtaining right of way in order to complete construction by the end of the summer.

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Unfulfilled Service Requests - Broadband

Triangle had nineteen unfulfilled new broadband service requests during 2013.

When requests for new service are received, they are reviewed by our engineering staff to determine if it is feasible to upgrade electronics at the digital loop carrier serving that location and if there are adequate cable facilities to carry the additional traffic. The cost to upgrade the necessary facilities is estimated as well as reviewing how many other requests we have received in the same serving area. Based on this information, Triangle determines whether the request is reasonable. We also review whether fixed wireless is an alternative solution to ADSL.

Following is a summary of the unfulfilled service requests for broadband at the end of 2013. We have also included Triangle's determination of whether it is a reasonable request and solution that will be implemented where applicable.

Box Elder 1 – Triangle considers this request unreasonable at this time due to distance limitations and cost of construction. Box Elder is scheduled to be upgraded to fiber to the premise in 2018 with cutover to the fiber in 2019.

Kremlin 2 – Triangle is in the process of constructing a tower and installing equipment to provide fixed wireless broadband service to customers in this area who are too far away from electronics cabinets to receive ADSL service.

Simpson 1 – Triangle turned up fixed wireless broadband in April 2014 to serve customers in this area.

Winifred 2 – This exchange is scheduled to be upgraded to fiber to the premise in 2015 with cutover to the fiber in 2016.

Melville 1 - Triangle considers this request unreasonable due to distance limitations and cost of construction.

South Malta 2 – Triangle turned up fixed wireless broadband in April 2014 to serve customers in this area.

Broadview 2 – Triangle considers these requests unreasonable due to distance limitations and cost of construction.

Hays 3 – Triangle upgraded equipment to make broadband available to one of these subscribers in early 2014. Triangle is in the process of constructing a tower and installing equipment to provide fixed wireless broadband service to customers in this area who are too far away from electronics cabinets to receive ADSL service.

Loma 1 - This exchange is scheduled to be upgraded to fiber to the premise in 2016 with cutover to the fiber in 2017.

Big Timber 4 - Triangle upgraded equipment to make broadband available to these subscribers in early 2014.

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Satisfaction of Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules

Service Quality Standards

Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (Triangle) is required to meet the service standards of the State of Montana as promulgated in the Montana Administrative Rules 38.5.3301-3371, Telecommunications Service Standards. New employees are trained on the internal processes designed to meet those standards as required by their job functions. Management reviews procedures on a regular basis to ensure that we remain in compliance with the standards.

Consumer Protection

Triangle complies with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 64 Subpart U, Customer Proprietary Network Information and the Federal Trade Commission Red Flag rules to prevent identity theft. A manual for each of those programs is in place and is reviewed annually. Triangle uses outside consultants to ensure that the manuals and processes remain current and in compliance with the rules. Employee training is conducted on an as needed basis and new hires are instructed on the programs as required by their job functions. Management reports to the Triangle Board annually any activities during the prior year related to these rules.

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Satisfaction of Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules - Broadband

Service Quality Standards

Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (Triangle) follows the service standards of the State of Montana as promulgated in the Montana Administrative Rules 38.5.3301-3371, Telecommunications Service Standards, for its broadband practices where the rules are applicable. New employees are trained on the internal processes designed to meet those standards as required by their job functions. Management reviews procedures on a regular basis to ensure that we remain in compliance with the standards.

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In addition, Triangle complies with the requirements of 47 CFR Part 8, Preserving the Open Internet, by disclosing its network management practices, performance characteristics, and terms and conditions of broadband service offerings.

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Ability to Remain Functional in Emergency Situations - Voice

Back-up Power

Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (Triangle) has generator and battery backup at each of its host switch locations. In addition, each remote switch location has either a generator or battery backup or both. Eighty five percent of Triangle's digital loop carriers have either battery or generator backup.

Approximately 65% of Triangle's subscribers are served with copper connections to the Central Office and their NIDs are powered from the central office. The remaining subscribers have fiber optic connections to the central office. These customers' NIDs are battery powered in case of emergency. The batteries are rated to last 48 hours with no use and 8 hours with constant use.

Ability to reroute traffic around damaged facilities

Triangle has built redundant facilities between its exchanges in the form of a SONET ring using the physical facilities of Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. and Central Montana Communications, Inc., on the following routes:

Havre to Fort Benton to Chester to Havre
Havre to Chinook
Harlem to Dodson to Malta
Big Sandy to Winifred to Moore to Fort Benton
Winifred to Billings to Big Timber to Moore

Capability to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations

At its Havre tandem, Triangle serves 11,718 access lines, has switching capacity of 6,720 simultaneous calls, and transport capacity for 6,720 simultaneous calls.

At its Big Timber tandem, Triangle serves 4,692 access lines, has switching capacity of 5,209 simultaneous calls, and transport capacity for 3,456 simultaneous calls.

Triangle takes no responsibility for the capabilities of interconnected networks to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

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Ability to Remain Functional in Emergency Situations – Broadband

Back-up Power

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Havre to Chinook
Harlem to Dodson to Malta
Big Sandy to Winifred to Moore to Fort Benton
Winifred to Billings to Big Timber to Moore

Triangle has two connections to the statewide network provider, Vision Net, which is used to access Tier I Internet carriers. In turn, Vision Net has redundant routes to the Tier I carriers.

Capability to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations

Triangle has four 1Gig uplinks to Vision Net, two in Havre and two in Billings. This Internet service is distributed throughout our 10GigE core network.

Across the four GigE links we use on average approximately 900 Mbps down and peak around 1850 Mbps down. This equates to about 23% of capacity on average and 46% at peak times.

Triangle takes no responsibility for the capabilities of interconnected networks to manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations.

(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

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1/1/2014

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MT	Joplin		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Reed Point		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Box Elder		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Rudyard		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Chinook		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Kremlin		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Gildford		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Big Sandy		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Turner		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Hopp-Illiad		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Simpson		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	South Havre		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Hingham		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	North Havre		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	South Chester		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Winifred		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Melville		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.0
MT	South Malta		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Rapelje		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Broadview		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0
MT	Molt		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	6.0	20.0

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Compliance with Tribal Government Engagement

Rocky Boy's Indian Reservation

Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (Triangle) has remained in contact with representatives of the Chippewa Cree Business Committee and specifically met with them on September 9, 2013 to discuss multiple issues including the ongoing fiber to the home project. This was part of the process to maintain a meaningful engagement between Triangle and the Tribe. During the course of that meeting the following items were touched on:

- Deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions;
- Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes to determine that construction was done appropriately; and
- Compliance with Tribal business and licensing requirements.

A follow-up meeting was held on February 20, 2014.

A copy of the Chippewa Cree Tribe business license is attached.

Fort Belknap Indian Reservation

During 2013, Triangle had several meetings with the Fort Belknap Tribal Council the first of which took place on January 25, 2013. These meetings focused on the status of the fiber to the home project taking place on the northern portion of the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation during 2013. We also discussed Triangle's plans to provide broadband service through a fixed wireless solution to the southern half of the Reservation in 2014. Other items discussed during the meetings included:

- Deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions;
- Feasibility and sustainability planning;
- Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;
- Rights of way processes, land use permitting, facilities siting, environmental and cultural preservation review processes to determine that construction will be done appropriately; and
- Compliance with Tribal business and licensing requirements.

A copy of the Fort Belknap Indian Community business license is attached.

Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Reservation

The Turtle Mountain Tribal Chairman has not responded to Triangle's requests to have meaningful engagement and discussion of the Tribe's plans for the uninhabited lands within Triangle's service area.

THIS LICENSE MUST BE POSTED IN PUBLIC VIEW

**Chippewa Cree Tribe
Rocky Boy's Reservation • Box Elder, Montana**

LICENSE TO CONDUCT BUSINESS

To: Triangle Communications
Name of Business

Pursuant to Tribal Ordinance #2-91 "Adopting A Business License Code" and Resolution #92-91 "Establishing a Business License Fee" through the Chippewa Cree Tribal Constitutional powers vested in the business committee, the business committee hereby grants the above named business "A License" to conduct business within the exterior boundaries of the reservation for a period of January 9, 2013 to December 31, 2013, which at this time is subject to be renewed.

Failure to comply with Ordinance #2-91 and Resolution #92-91 can or will result in court action.

James Myers
Tribal Secretary

Ken St. Marks
Tribal Chairman

Date January 9, 2013

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Fort Belknap Indian Community

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BUSINESS LICENSE

NO. 2013-04

This Business License is issued by the Fort Belknap Indian Community Tribal Employment Rights Office pursuant to the authority of Section (5) and (6) of Fort Belknap Ordinance No. 03-2004 (Tribal Employment Right Ordinance), as amended,

NAME OF BUSINESS: Triangle Communications/Central MT Communications

OWNER (S) OF BUSINESS: Triangle Communications/Central MT Communications

TYPE OF BUSINESS: Communications

Bruce Buzz Doney, Director
Fort Belknap T.E.R.O.

DATE OF ISSUANCE
January 3, 2013

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Voice Services Comparability Report

Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 (a) (10) Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (“Triangle”) is in compliance with the requirement that voice services is no more than two standard deviations above the national average urban rate for voice service of \$46.96 as specified in Public Notice DA 14-384 issued on March 20, 2014. Triangle’s current total local end-user rate¹ of \$20.00 (which includes a local fee of \$14.00 and mandatory extended area service charges of \$6.00) is not above the standard deviation as specified in the USF/ICC Transformation Order.²

¹ Local End User Rate as defined in USF/ICC Transformation Order 26 FCC Rcd at 17751, Para. 238

² USF/ICC Transformation Order, 26 FCC Rcd at 17694, Para. 84 (footnote included) “The standard deviation is a measure of dispersion. The sample standard deviation is the square root of the sample variance. The sample variance is calculated as the sum of the squared deviations of the individual observations in the sample of data from the sample average divided by the total number of observations in the sample minus one. In a normal distribution, about 68 percent of the observations lie within one standard deviation above and below the average and about 95 percent of the observations lie within two standard deviations above and below the average.”

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Lifeline Terms and Conditions

Triangle Telephone Cooperative Assn., Inc. (Triangle) offers Lifeline discounts on its residential phone service to qualifying subscribers. Residential telephone service costs \$14 per month and includes unlimited local minutes. If the subscriber resides in an EAS area, there is an additional charge of \$6 per month for unlimited minutes calls made to locations within the EAS area.¹

Lifeline eligible subscribers may apply their Lifeline discount to bundles of service which include a voice component. Where a Lifeline subscriber makes only a partial payment for a bundled service package, Triangle applies the partial payment first to the allocated price of the voice telephony service component of the bundle and then to the cost of any additional services included in the bundled package.

Toll charges are assessed by the long distance provider selected by the subscriber. Triangle provides toll blocking service to Lifeline eligible subscribers at no charge. Lifeline eligible subscribers that choose toll blocking service are not required to pay a deposit for their service.

¹ The subscriber has the option of a flat rate EAS charge of \$4 per month combined with a \$0.05 per minute of use charge capped at \$8 per month.

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BORROWER DESIGNATION

**OPERATING REPORT FOR
TELECOMMUNICATIONS BORROWERS**

MT0516

PERIOD ENDING

December, 2013

INSTRUCTIONS- See RUS Bulletin 1744-2

PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS OR MARGINS

ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
1. Local Network Services Revenues	4,373,169	4,242,717
2. Network Access Services Revenues	19,580,100	20,791,559
3. Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
4. Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues	127,034	117,384
5. Miscellaneous Revenues	422,284	499,082
6. Uncollectible Revenues	2,883	13,064
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)	24,499,704	25,637,678
8. Plant Specific Operations Expense	3,561,432	3,618,690
9. Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)	2,293,109	2,641,874
10. Depreciation Expense	7,449,218	7,705,239
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense	1,290,998	1,305,834
13. Corporate Operations Expense	1,743,826	1,940,639
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)	16,338,583	17,212,276
15. Operating Income or Margins (7 less 14)	8,161,121	8,425,402
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses	(6,985)	0
17. State and Local Taxes	24,502	10,054
18. Federal Income Taxes	114,180	55,352
19. Other Taxes	991,329	1,390,146
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)	1,130,011	1,455,552
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)	7,024,125	6,969,850
22. Interest on Funded Debt	1,634,347	1,683,128
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense	1,367	1,383
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction	158,028	217,980
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)	1,477,686	1,466,531
27. Nonoperating Net Income	4,984,046	4,213,039
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income	(221,416)	(153,378)
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)	10,309,069	9,562,980
32. Total Taxes Based on Income	138,682	65,406
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year	54,785,950	62,530,164
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date	15,450	23,240
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		
38. Transfers to Patronage Capital	2,580,305	5,631,772
39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]	62,530,164	66,484,612
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year	58,406,689	59,355,533
41. Transfers to Patronage Capital	2,580,305	5,631,772
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired	1,631,461	1,936,114
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)	59,355,533	63,051,191
44. Annual Debt Service Payments	5,503,519	5,753,794
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]	0.4090	0.4276
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]	0.7733	0.7853
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]	7.9765	7.5208
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]	3.4952	3.2561

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INSTRUCTIONS – See help in the online application.		PERIOD ENDED December, 2013
PART I – STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS		
1. Beginning Cash (Cash and Equivalents plus RUS Construction Fund)		4,585,465
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
2. Net Income		9,562,980
<i>Adjustments to Reconcile Net Income to Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities</i>		
3. Add: Depreciation		7,705,239
4. Add: Amortization		0
5. Other (Explain)		
<i>Changes in Operating Assets and Liabilities</i>		
6. Decrease/(Increase) in Accounts Receivable		33,953
7. Decrease/(Increase) in Materials and Inventory		(454,882)
8. Decrease/(Increase) in Prepayments and Deferred Charges		311,784
9. Decrease/(Increase) in Other Current Assets		0
10. Increase/(Decrease) in Accounts Payable		1,447,059
11. Increase/(Decrease) in Advance Billings & Payments		50,060
12. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Current Liabilities		161,571
13. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Operations		18,817,764
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
14. Decrease/(Increase) in Notes Receivable		96,283
15. Increase/(Decrease) in Notes Payable		0
16. Increase/(Decrease) in Customer Deposits		(3,680)
17. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Long Term Debt (Including Current Maturities)		(1,961,986)
18. Increase/(Decrease) in Other Liabilities & Deferred Credits		71,893
19. Increase/(Decrease) in Capital Stock, Paid-in Capital, Membership and Capital Certificates & Other Capital		0
20. Less: Payment of Dividends		0
21. Less: Patronage Capital Credits Retired		(1,936,114)
22. Other (Explain) Balance Sheet lines 5,33		188,659
23. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Financing Activities		(3,544,945)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
24. Net Capital Expenditures (Property, Plant & Equipment)		(8,116,416)
25. Other Long-Term Investments		(3,508,164)
26. Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences		0
27. Other (Explain) Plant Retirement not accounted for		(2,173,061)
28. Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities		(13,797,641)
29. Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash		1,475,178
30. Ending Cash		6,060,643

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