

## SCRPS Status Update

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### Applicant Information

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\*Indicate which deadline you are meeting with this filing.

2025-01-03

## Explanation of Effort and Availability of Commercial Equipment

\*Provide an explanation of efforts undertaken, and challenges encountered, in permanently removing, replacing, and disposing of covered communications equipment or service.

Yes, my company has conducted work on the removal of covered equipment since submittal of the last form. We have removed equipment from 3 sites for a total of 31 of 142. Removal is not our focus because of lack of funds but some equipment had to be removed before we could place the new equipment. No, my company has not conducted work on the disposal of covered equipment since the submittal of the last form. There are not sufficient funds. Pine is focusing on replacing equipment. Yes, my company has conducted work on the replacement of covered equipment and services since the submittal of the last form. 4 sites were replaced for a total of 74 of 142. This is moving very slowly since Pine does not have funds to hire contractors for the replacement of equipment.

\*Explain whether you are finding commercially available equipment in the marketplace. If not, then explain efforts taken to obtain replacement equipment.

We are finding that some equipment and services are commercially available, and some are not. Because of the cost of services Pine has to do most of the services internally. Pine Telephone has elected to move design, installation, provisioning, integration, site validation, and testing in-house. Moving these services in-house allows Pine Telephone to cut down on costs and use this savings on other parts of the project. Pine is currently seeing a delay of between 3-6 months in between purchase and delivery of equipment.

\* If there is additional information relevant to the preceding questions or that you believe the Commission should be aware of, please include the information below.

Because of lack of funds Pine is requesting extensions this is adding a great deal of time and cost to the project. Because of the drawn out timeline Pine is having to go back to sites 3 to 4 more times than is necessary which greatly adds to the cost. Pine Telephone is hopeful to remove equipment at 6 sites in Q1 2025. Pine Telephone is storing the removed covered equipment at a central location owned by Pine Telephone. Should additional program funds become available, Pine hopes that a blanked extension will be applied to the program, to allow all applicants the chance to reassess their plans and put them in motion. Pine is currently seeing a delay of between 3-6 months in between purchase and delivery of equipment.

## Program Compliance

\*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) all requirements of the Reimbursement Program.

Yes  No

\*Indicate whether recipient has permanently removed from its communications network all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes  No

If recipient has not yet completed the removal process, what estimated percentage of the removal process have you completed?

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\*Indicate whether recipient has replaced all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes  No

If recipient has not yet completed the replacement process, what estimated percentage of the replacement process have you completed?

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\*Indicate whether recipient has disposed of all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes  No

If recipient has not yet completed the disposal process, what estimated percentage of the disposal process have you completed?

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\*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) the timeline submitted by the recipient. If not, provide explanation for deviation.

Yes  No

\*The filer has indicated no to a question in this section, please provide additional information.

Timeline Deviation: We cannot meet the timeline because of lack of funds.

## Certifications

\*By checking the box and providing the electronic signature where indicated below, the Certifying Official on behalf of the filer certifies under penalty of perjury that:

(1) The Certifying Official is authorized to submit this status report on behalf of the above-named filer and, based on information known to me or provided to me by employees responsible for the information being submitted, the information set forth in this status report has been examined and is true, accurate, and complete, and the expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and objectives set forth in the terms and conditions of the Federal award. The Certifying Official acknowledges that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information or statement, or the omission of any material fact on this status report or on any other document submitted by the filer may subject the filer and the undersigned to punishment by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), 1606), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. § 1001, §§ 286-287, and § 1343), or can lead to liability under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733, and §§ 3801-3812). (2) The filer is in compliance with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program, including but not limited to allocations, draw downs, payments, obligations and expenditures of money, and the Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to be in compliance and remain in compliance with those statutes, rules, and orders may result in the denial of funding, cancellation of funding commitments, and/or recoupment of past disbursements. The Certifying Official acknowledges that the filer will maintain detailed records, including receipts, of all costs eligible for reimbursement actually incurred for a period of 10 years; and will file all required documentation for its expenses. The Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to comply with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program could result in civil or criminal prosecution by law enforcement authorities.

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