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*Indicate which deadline you are meeting with this filing.

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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.

Since October, we've made progress on our project to remove, replace, and dispose of covered communications equipment, but several significant challenges have slowed our efforts. Currently, 25 out of 26 sites (96%) have migrated to the new network and are commercially operational. However, the final site, Roswell South, is delayed due to a structural issue with the tower. The tower owner has indicated repairs may be completed by early February, but this timeline remains outside of our control.

In mid-October, a severe flood in our Roswell market disrupted local infrastructure and forced us to redirect resources to restore critical telecommunications services. As a local service provider, our top priority was ensuring that residents, emergency responders, and other essential services had reliable communication during this crisis. Unfortunately, this necessary shift in focus delayed our project timeline.

Additionally, we've encountered ongoing technical challenges during site migrations. Power system integration has proven particularly complex, as each site requires careful adjustments to match its unique power configuration. Battery failures at multiple sites, including Roswell North, Roswell Dexter, Artesia South, Carlsbad LaHuerta, and Carlsbad Otis, have added further delays. A proposed test solution for these issues has not yet been implemented, as it is dependent on a new PDU that has been shipped but not yet installed. Cabling redesign efforts are also ongoing, and faulty batteries are being replaced across impacted sites. At Artesia West, a persistent door alarm issue remains unresolved. While we've been working closely with Nokia to troubleshoot and implement solutions, these technical hurdles have taken more time than anticipated.

Disposal of obsolete equipment is underway but is only about 60% complete due to logistical challenges. While we are committed to meeting all regulatory requirements, it has become clear that the original deadline of January 18, 2025, is not achievable given the setbacks we've faced. In November, we requested a six-month extension to July 18, 2025, to allow sufficient time to address these challenges and complete the project effectively.

Despite these difficulties, we remain focused on delivering a reliable, resilient telecommunications network that meets regulatory standards. We'll continue to methodically address the remaining issues and provide updates as we make progress toward project completion.

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

All equipment has arrived

* 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.

We are optimistic that the additional funding approved in December through the passage of the NDAA 2025 will enhance the efficiency of program administration, particularly by streamlining the review process for both modifications and reimbursement claims. While we understand that application modifications can influence the reimbursement timeline, we believe that as long as approved cost estimates remain unchanged, the reimbursement review process should proceed concurrently with application modifications without delays. These modifications will remain necessary as we continue to receive invoices that include taxes and shipping costs. With the additional funding award, it would also be beneficial to see an updated user guide to help navigate these changes effectively.

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?

90

*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?

90

*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?

50

*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.

*We will submit an updated timeline when our extension is granted.

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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