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July 1, 2014

Via Electronic Filing

Dr. Burl W. Haar Executive Secretary Minnesota Public Utilities Commission 121 Seventh Place E, Suite 350 St. Paul, MN 55101-2147

Re: In the Matter of 2014 ETC Annual Report FCC Form 481 and Annual ETC Certification Wolverton Telephone Company, Study Area Code 361512 PUC Docket Number P999/PR 14-8

Dear Dr. Haar:

On behalf of Wolverton Telephone Company ("Wolverton" or "the Company"), JSI files the attached Public and Trade Secret versions of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of Federal Communications Commission's rules.¹

Certain FCC Form 481 data contain Trade Secret financial information with independent economic value which is not generally known to, and not readily ascertainable by competitors of the Company which could obtain economic value from its disclosure. The information contained in attachments for which the Company seeks the withholding from public inspection is the entirety of data pertaining to the Company's Five-Year Plan provided at FCC Form 481 Line 112 attachment. The Line 112 attachment includes competitively sensitive information related to proposed improvements or upgrades and maintenance the Company's network. The Company also requests withholding from the public documents that include detailed financial information provided at the FCC Form 481 Line 3026 attachment. The Company maintains this information as trade secret. Accordingly, this information qualifies as "trade secret information" as defined in Minn. Stat. 13.37(b), and the Company requests that this data be treated as trade secret information.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

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The Public filing contains a copy of the "Redacted - For Public Inspection" copy of the Company's 481 Form that will be filed with the FCC. This copy does not include the Trade Secret information described below.

The Trade Secret filing contains the "Confidential Copy" of the Company's 481 Form that has been filed with USAC and the FCC. The Confidential Copy contains the Trade Secret Information.

We request the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission to file the annual certification regarding high-cost and low income support with USAC and the FCC, pursuant to 47 CFR54.314 (a).

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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John Kuykendall JSI Vice President 301-459-7590 jkuykendall@jsitel.com

Enclosures

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<100> Service Quality Improvement Reporting (complete attached worksheet)	
<200> Outage Reporting (voice) (complete attached worksheet)	·
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(attach descriptive document)	
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<710> Company Price Offerings (broadband) (complete attached worksheet)	\mathcal{M}
<800> Operating Companies and Affiliates (complete attached worksheet)	·]
<900> Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)?	
<1000> Voice Services Rate Comparability (check to indicate certification)	
<1010> (attach descriptive document)	
<1100> Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)?	\sim
<1110> (complete attached worksheet)	
<1200> Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers (complete attached worksheet)	·
Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet	
Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers <2000> (check to indicate certification)	
<2005> (complete attached worksheet)	
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<3000> (check to indicate certification) <3005> (complete attached worksheet)	

	ervice Quality Improvement Reporting Illection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	sflanders@polartel.com	
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) 🔘 💿	
<111>	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) 🔘 🔘	
<112>	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. 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 CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only	361512mn112.pdf	
	required to address voice telephony service. Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on 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.		Name of Attached Document
<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets		
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received		
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality		
<116>	How (USF)was used to improve service coverage		
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity		
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.		

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
	July 2013

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	NORS									Did This Outage		
	Reference	Outage Start	Outage Start	Outage End	Outage End	Number of		911 Facilities	Service Outage	Affect Multiple		
	Number	Date	Time	Date	Time	Customers Affected	Total Number of	Affected	Description (Check	Study Areas	Service Outage	Preventative
							Customers	(Yes / No)	all that apply)	(Yes / No)	Resolution	Procedures

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data	FCC Form 481
Data Collection Form	OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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					Residential Local			Mandatory Extended Area	
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees
					Soo at	tached worksheet			

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						Broadband Service -			Usage Allowance
				State Regulated		Download Speed	Broadband Service -	Usage Allowance	Action Taken When
	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate		Total Rate and Fees		Upload Speed (Mbps)		Limit Reached {select }
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	erating Companies lection Form				FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013			
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<035>		ber - Number of person identified in data line <030>	7012847221 ex					
<039>		Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	sflanders@pol	lartel.com				
<810>	Reporting Carrier	Wolverton Telephone Company						
<811>	Holding Company	Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation						
<812>	Operating Company	Wolverton Telephone Company						
<813>		<a1></a1>		<a2></a2>	<a3></a3>			
		Affiliates		SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation			
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<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves		
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation	Name o	of Attached Document
to confi demons	company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes rm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, strates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to 3(a)(9) includes:	Select (Yes,No, NA)	
<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		
	Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes		
<928>	COMPRESSES		

•	o Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting lection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	sflanders@polartel.com
<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) Te	rms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	FCC Form 481		
Lifeline		OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819		
Data Coll	ection Form	July 2013		
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	7012847221 ext.		
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	sflanders@polartel.com		
<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans			
		Name of Attached Document		
<1220>	Link to Public Website HTTP http://www.http.	tp://www.wolvertontelco.com/resources/phone-assistance-program/		
"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.			

rn Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers		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)}	IC
<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 require pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, nai addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service preceding calendar year.	ed information mes, and e in the
<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation

Data Collection Form

FCC Form 481

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CHECK		nt to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 4 ne 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 $\frac{5}{5}$ 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addre providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.	
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}	
(3013) (3014)	ls your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313{f}(2)} If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information (Yes/No) (Yes/No)
Please	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 301	7, 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 Ca	Ish 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)
	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)	Éither a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report $% \left({n = 0} \right)$ in a fi	
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of C	ash 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)	DURIVMERS, Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant	
(3024)	public accountant Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.	┞━┥
	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of C	ash Flows 361512mn3026.pdf
(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information	
	L	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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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					
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 ecipients; 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	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						
certify that (Name of Agent) <u>John Staurulakis</u> , Inc is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I Iso 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 gent; 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: WOLVERTON TEL CO						
Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date: 06/18/2014					
Printed name of Authorized Officer: David Dunning						
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Executive Vice President						
Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 7012847221 ext.						
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 361512 Filing Due E	Date for this form: 06/30/2014					
Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under Title 18 of the United St						

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					
l, 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: WOLVERTON TEL CO					
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: John Staurulakis, Inc.					
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 06/18/2014					
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Cassandra Heyne					
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent Consultant					
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: 3014597590 ext.					
Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 361512 Filing Due Date for this form: 06/30/2014					
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

WOLVERTON TELEPHONE COMPANY (MN) (SAC 361512)

ATTACHMENT - LINE 112

FIVE YEAR SERVICE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN

ATTACHMENT REDACTED IN ENTIRETY

Wolverton Telephone Company's Demonstration of Compliance 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

Wolverton 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 **Minnesota Public Utility Commission** which disclose rates, terms and conditions of service to customers; (2) adherence to state consumer protection and service quality requirements governing telephone providers which require compliance with the Minnesota Administrative Rules listed below; (3)

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.

truth-in-billing requirements; and (4) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal

and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

Minnesota Administrative Rules:

RECORDS AND REPORTS

7810.0400 RETENTION OF RECORDS. 7810.0500 DATA TO BE FILED WITH THE COMMISSION. 7810.0600 REPORT TO COMMISSION ON SERVICE DISRUPTION. 7810.0900 LOCATION OF RECORDS.

CUSTOMER RELATIONS

7810.1000 INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO CUSTOMER AND PUBLIC. 7810.1100 COMPLAINT PROCEDURES. 7810.1200 RECORD OF COMPLAINT.

CUSTOMER BILILNG; DEPOSIT AND GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS

7810.1400 CUSTOMER BILLING.7810.1500 DEPOSIT AND GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS.7810.1600 DEPOSIT.7810.1700 GUARANTEE OF PAYMENT.

DISCONNECTION OF SERVICE; SERVICE DELAY

7810.1800 PERMISSIBLE SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS WITH NOTICE.
7810.1900 PERMISSIBLE SERVICE DISCONNECTIONS WITHOUT SERVICE.
7810.2000 NONPERMISSIBLE REAONS TO DISCONNECT SERVICE.
7810.2100 MANNER OF DISCONNECTION.
7810.2200 RECONNECTION OF SERVICE.
7810.2300 NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.
7810.2400 BILL DISPUTES.
7810.2500 ESCROW PAYMENTS.
7810.2600 WAIVING RIGHT TO DISCONNECT; EMERGENCY STATUS.
7810.2800 DELAY IN INITIAL SERVICE OR UPGRADE.

DIRECTORIES

7810.2900 CONTENT OF DIRECTORIES. 7810.3000 MAINTENANCE OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT. 7810.3100 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS.

ENGINEERING

7810.3200 CONSTRUCTION OF TELEPHONE PLANT. 7810.3300 MAINTENANCE OF PLANT AND EQUIPMENT. 7810.3900 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS. INSPECTIONS, TESTS, SERVICE REQUIRMENTS 7810.4100 ACCESS TO TEST FACILITIES. 7810.4300 ACCURANCE REQUIREMENTS. 7810.4900 ADEQUACY OF SERVICE. 7810.5000 UTILITY OBLIGATIONS. 7810.5000 UTILITY OBLIGATIONS. 7810.5200 ANSWERING TIME. 7810.5200 ANSWERING TIME. 7810.5300 DIAL SERVICE REQUIREMENTS. 7810.5400 INTEROFFICE TRUNKS. 7810.5500 TRANSMISSION REQUIREMENTS. 7810.5500 INTERRUPTIONS OF SERVICE. 7810.5900 CUTOMER TROUBLE REPORTS. 7810.6000 PROTECTIVE MEASURES. 7810.6100 SAFETY PROGRAM.

The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations for broadband services under federal law. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: public disclosure of accurate information regarding network management practices, performance, and commercial terms of broadband internet access services; as a means of providing sufficient information for consumers to make informed choices regarding use of such services, and for content, application, service and device providers to develop, market, and maintain internet offerings as specified in F.C.C. 47 C.F.R. Part 8 §8.3.

Wolverton Telephone Company's Demonstration of Ability to Function in Emergency Situations

Wolverton Telephone Company ("Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2).¹ The Company's voice and broadband 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, pursuant to Minnesota Administrative Rule 7810.3900, "Emergency Operations," the Company has established reasonable provisions to meet emergencies resulting from failures of lighting or power service, sudden and prolonged increases in traffic, illness of operators or from fire, storm, or acts of God including provisions for emergency power that meet or exceed the rule requirement to provide:

- A minimum of four hours of battery service in each central office.
- A permanently installed power unit in exchanges exceeding 5,000 lines.
- Mobile power units that can be delivered on short notice and which can be readily connected in offices without installed emergency power facilities.

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."

The Company has informed employees as to the procedures to be followed, including reasonable rerouting of traffic around damaged facilities and the deployment of emergency power in the event of emergency in order to prevent or mitigate interruption or impairment of telecommunications service.

(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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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	7012847221 ext.	
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	sflanders@polartel.com	

<701> Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date

<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

1/1/2014

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MN	Wolverton		FR.	19.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.0

(710) Broadband Price Offerings	FCC Form 481	
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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rates and Fees		Broadband Service -Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {select}
	MN	Wolverton	44.95	0.0	44.95	5.0	1.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	54.95	0.0	54.95	10.0	1.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	84.95	0.0	84.95	10.0	2.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	199.95	0.0	199.95	10.0	5.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	399.95	0.0	399.95	20.0	10.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	599.95	0.0	599.95	50.0	20.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance
	MN	Wolverton	1199.95	0.0	1199.95	100.0	50.0	0.0	Other, no usage allowance

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	Affiliates		SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
	Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corp.		381630	
	Polar Telcom, Inc.		389003	
	Wolverton Telephone Company (ND)		381509	
	Polar Communications Mutual Aid Corporation f/k/a Polar Telecomm	unications	381614	
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