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Ms. Pamela Bonrud
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UTILITIES COMMISSION

Re: Docket Number TC05-058

Dear Ms. Bonrud:

Enclosed is an original and ten copies of James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company's Lifeline and Link-up Submissions.

Sincerely,


JAMES M. CREMER

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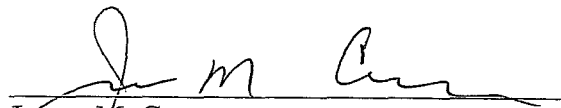
**JAMES VALLEY
COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE
COMPANY'S LIFELINE AND
LINK-UP SUBMISSIONS**

Pursuant to the April 15, 2005, Order Opening Docket and Requesting Information, James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company hereby submits the following:

1. Lifeline and link-up forms and promotional material. See documents attached hereto as **Numbers 1-11**.
2. Description of how James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company advertises lifeline and link-up and how often it advertises. See documents attached hereto as **Numbers 1-11**. These materials are provided in the customer newsletter, the phone directory and on customer bills all once a year.
3. Implementation of the new certification procedures. See attached document **Number 12**.
4. Implementation of the new verification procedures. See attached document **Number 12**.

Dated this 18th day of May, 2005.

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James Valley Telecommunications

Lifeline / Link-Up Promotional Material

1. Customer Newsletter Notification – received by all members, one time per year (sample enclosed)
2. Phone Directory – received by all members (copy enclosed)
3. Bill Print Message – on all members' bills – one time per year (sample enclosed)

DIAL TONES NEWSLETTER

Vol. 52

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No. 459

JVT ANNUAL MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 26

Groton High School Gym and Arena
5:00pm-6:30pm - Registration & Dinner
5:00pm-6:30pm - Booths/Exhibits
6:30pm - Business Meeting

Bring the whole family, free childcare provided!

**** MANY GREAT DOOR PRIZES ****

Busing Schedule

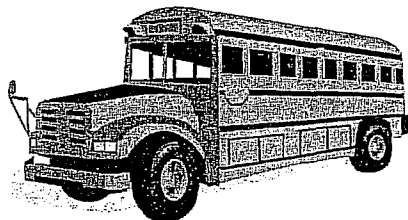
How about a ride to the annual meeting? JVT will be offering free bus rides for members - the schedule and locations for pick-up are listed below.

It's not too late to sign up for a ride! Call us at 611 as soon as possible so we can get your name on the list.

<u>Town</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Bristol	Bristol School	4:45pm
Andover	Main St by Andover Cafe	5:00pm
Frederick	Frederick School	4:00pm
Hecla	Community Center	4:30pm
Columbia	Bdwy St by K L Cabin	5:00pm
Doland	Doland School	4:15pm
Turton	By Farmer's State Bank	4:30pm
Conde	By Plains Commerce Bank	4:45pm
Mellette	Northwestern School	4:30pm
Brentford	Legion	4:45pm
Stratford	By B S Bar & Grill	5:00pm
Ferney	By Harry Implements	5:15pm

PLEASE NOTE

The buses have to stay on schedule. Drivers will not be able to wait for riders who are not there at the pick-up times listed above.



Directors To Be Elected

Current directors Roger Zastrow (District 1), Bill Ewalt (District 4), and Bill Troske (District 7) are all running unopposed for the open board seats. Each director will be re-elected at the annual meeting for a term of 3 years.



Roger Zastrow

Other plans are currently underway for the meeting to be held in the Groton gym and arena. Watch for your annual meeting notice which will be sent out early this month.



Bill Ewalt

In addition to being the official notice of the meeting, these reports contain the meeting agenda, minutes from last year's meeting, the cooperative's financial statement, summaries from the board president and general manager, and staff and board pictures.



Bill Troske

Free baby-sitting will be provided again this year so members are encouraged to bring their children. In past years 20-30 children have taken part on the games and activities that are provided for them. Each child also will receive a free coloring book and other gifts.

Many door prizes will be given away at the meeting, with the main prize being a \$500 credit on your JVT account! Last year over 30 prizes were given away. In addition, each family receives a gift at the registration table.

See you on May 26!

**JVT's office will be closed on
Monday, May 30 for Memorial Day.**

**JAMES
VALLEY
TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

WEB DESIGNER HIRED

Josh Phillips was recently hired as JVT's second web designer and will be working out of the Aberdeen office, aiding in the maintenance and design of websites for new and existing customers.

Phillips, originally an Aberdeen native, started his position in March after graduating from Southeast Technical Institute in Sioux Falls where he received an Associates Degree in Applied Science for Graphic Communications. Welcome Josh!!!

The Web Department is supervised by Jason Kranhold and includes two website designers, Phillips and Jennifer Bergeron, and a hosting technician, Jason Board.

Visit www.portalwebhosting.com for more information regarding website hosting and domain name registration services.

Check out www.nvc.net/design.html for information regarding website design services and a list of sample sites designed by our web department.



NTCA LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

In early April, JVT manager Groft and directors Jark, Wattier, and Zastrow attended the National Telecommunications Cooperative Assoc. Legislative Conference in Washington, DC, along with 30 other telecommunications officials from South Dakota.

This annual gathering of telecommunications officials from across the nation gives JVT an opportunity to discuss pertinent communications issues with members of Congress. As we spent time on Capitol Hill, three issues topped our agenda: 1) inter-carrier compensation; 2) universal service; and, 3) re-write of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

Inter-carrier compensation is a term that defines how communications companies reimburse each other for the use of their respective networks. Since it does not make sense for every communications company in the nation to have their own line coming into your house, companies "rent" time on the lines of other companies in order to complete a phone call. Since these companies are "accessing" the network of another company in order to complete a specific call, they compensate each other with "access charges."

Access charges have become a substantial part of our cooperative's revenue in recent years. Now, a variety of factors are coming together to threaten the future of access charges in their current form. These factors include new age technologies such as Voice Over Internet Protocol, pressure from national carriers to drive down the cost of access, and a shift in regulatory philosophies.

The goal of some in the communications industry is to totally do away with access charges and put most of the cost of maintaining and upgrading our network on you, our local customers. Our message in Washington was that the United States thrived in the 20th Century because we had a well-funded and well-maintained highway infrastructure



that shared the costs among all Americans. Our belief is that the communications infrastructure is vitally important to the economic well-being of the 21st Century and that maintenance and upgrades of the network should also be shared among all.

The theory behind Universal Service is actually pretty simple. What it says is that whether you live in the middle of a big city or in rural South Dakota, the cost of your local telephone service should be reasonable and affordable. However, the expense in getting that same local phone service to someone served by JVT is much higher for two reasons: 1) a lot more line must be laid to reach customers, and 2) there are fewer customers to share the cost.

In order to ease that overall burden, the federal government made a policy decision many years ago that said telephone customers in low-cost areas (urban areas) would help shoulder the cost burden of their neighbors living in high-cost areas (rural areas). This policy has allowed cooperatives like JVT to deliver state-of-the-art telephone service at affordable rates. Without this policy, infrastructure investment in rural areas would have lagged behind our neighbors in the urban areas because the costs to deliver the service would have been significantly higher.

Some argue that the concept of universal service is outdated and could be repealed. We lobbied that putting the full cost of network maintenance and upgrades on the backs of rural consumers is both unfair and unworkable. Our arguments were well received in all the offices we visited.

As always, the directors and management of JVT will work closely with our state and national organizations to make sure that your interests are protected. We remain committed to delivering the best telecommunications products possible to you, our customers.

CRACK THE IM CODE!

Have you ever glanced over your child's shoulder while he or she was on an Instant Messenger (IM) service and found yourself puzzled by all the acronyms being used? Amid the alphabet soup are messages that parents would no doubt be interested in.

POS is a well-known red flag - it means "Parents Over Shoulder: Change Subject." There are literally hundreds (if not thousands) of these little characters out there in newsgroups, chat rooms, email messages, bulletin boards, etc. Even some personal websites are using them. These code words fall into the category of Acronyms, Smilies or Emoticons. They're not just a cute add-on or an expression of personality and they are in fact highly versatile and very functional. Learn the code so you can be more prepared to protect your child on the Internet. Here are just a few commonly used acronyms:



AFK Away from computer keyboard

A/S/L Age/Sex/Location

BBL Be back later

BBS Be back soon

BC Because

BCNU Be Seen You

BFN Bye for now

BMG Be my guest

BRB Be right back

CID Consider it done

CUL or **CUL3R** See you later

DOMOT Don't quote me on this

GMTA Great minds think alike

GRA Go right ahead

HTH Hope this helps

IDK I don't know

IK I know

IMO In my opinion

IMS I am sorry

JIC Just in case

JK Just kidding

JTLYK Just to let you know

K Okay

KIS Keep it simple

L3R Later

LOL Laughing out loud

NBD No big deal

NRN No response necessary

OIC Oh I see

OTOH On the other hand

OTP On the phone

PLS or **PLZ** Please

POS Parents over shoulder

RUOK? Are you okay?

SN Screen Name

SYS See you soon

TTFN Ta ta for now

TTYL Talk to you later

UN User Name

WE Whatever

WFM Works for me

WTG Way to go

WU? What's up?

YT? You there?

Universal Service Charges May Boost US Phone Fees

Mon Mar 28, 2005 06:44 PM ET WASHINGTON, March 28 (Reuters)

U.S. households could see fees on their telephone bills rise at much as 18.1 percent by 2007 depending on what changes are made to the universal service fund which subsidizes communications services, congressional budget officials said on Monday.

Telephone carriers that offer long-distance service are required to pay a percentage of the revenues into the Universal Service Fund (USF), which subsidizes telephone for low-income families as well as Internet access in schools and libraries.

Typically those fees are passed on to consumers. But with the emergence of packages of minutes for wireless or unlimited calling plans, that has raised fresh questions about whether the fund would be sustainable.

Some possibilities for reforming the system include charging a flat fee for each telephone number or expanding the services that would fall under the program, said a report by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO) for the Senate Budget Committee.

If no action is taken, a shrinking long-distance revenue base and increased demand on the USF program would

cause the average payment by each household to rise 8.1 percent to \$2.26 a month in 2007 from \$2.09 per month in 2003, the CBO said.

The monthly average charge would likely rise to \$2.47 a month by 2007 or 18.1 percent if the USF program was switched to a per-number charge or if cable high-speed Internet service was included in the revenues for calculating contributions.

Alternatively, if based on usage of multiple communications services, the monthly fee would likely be \$2.28 by 2007, said the report.

Another option could be funding the USF programs through general Treasury revenues, CBO said.

"The economic cost of raising a dollar in general revenues, which may influence the supply of labor and capital, is generally less than the economic cost of raising a dollar from sector-specific taxes, which tend to distort consumers' choices by affecting the prices of goods and services," the report said.

Welcome New Members

Atherton Joshua & Merrie Columbia 396-2488
 Block Wanda Bristol 492-3179
 Bristol Storage Company Bristol 492-3472
 Bruckner Doug & Julie Groton 397-4443
 Burger Dennis Mellette 887-3570
 Charger Automotive & Service Center Doland
 635-6116
 Curt's Bodyworks Groton 397-2277
 Franks Elizabeth Brentford 887-3117
 Heikes Brian Groton 397-2380
 Kelly Michelle Groton 397-2389
 Krueger-Knoll Delores Groton 397-2681
 Neal Dale Doland 635-6152
 Olson Larry D & Sandi Groton 397-2353
 Stern Jim Bristol 492-3474
 Stucker Donald & Karlene Mellette 887-3552
 Sumption Lois L Frederick 329-2440
 Treeby Reece Hecla 994-2041
 Wiseman Dustin Frederick 329-2044

IMPORTANT DATES IN MAY

1 May Day
 1 Teacher Appreciation Week
 5 Cinco de Mayo
 8 Mother's Day
 10 Disconnect Day
 15 Wizard of Oz Day
 15 Peace Day
 26 JVT ANNUAL MEETING
 30 Memorial Day - JVT Office Closed
 31 Bills Sent Out

Service Technician Tip

Keep your family and guests safe - label all phones in your home with your 911 address.

Directors

Houghton - Columbia - Frederick	District 1	Roger Zastrow
Claremont - Hecla	District 2	Wendell Rye
City of Groton	District 3	Merle Hanson
Rural Groton - Andover	District 4	Bill Ewalt
Ferney - Mellette	District 5	Duane Jark
Conde - Bristol	District 6	Mark Wattier
Turton - Doland	District 7	William Troske

LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR PHONE SERVICE

JVT is authorized to provide two federal telephone assistance programs that were developed in response to concerns about the affordability of telephone service for low-income citizens.

The Lifeline program provides reduced monthly charges to telephone subscribers who qualify. The Link-Up program provides reduced connection charges to telephone subscribers who qualify.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Telephone service must be in the applicant's name. The applicant must participate in at least one of the following public assistance programs to be eligible:

- * Medicaid
- * Food Stamps
- * Supplemental Security Income
- * Federal Housing Assistance
- * Low Income Home Energy Assistance
- * Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- * National Free School Lunch Program
- * Income Below 135% of Federal Poverty Guidelines

WHAT DO THE PROGRAMS PROVIDE?

Lifeline provides eligible subscribers with a credit of \$8.25 each month on the basic service portion of their telephone bill. The credit applies on the main home telephone line listed in the named eligible telephone company subscriber. Lifeline subscribers may also receive blocking of long distance calls on their telephone line at no charge.

Link-Up provides eligible subscribers with reduced connection charges for their basic home telephone service. This reduction is 50% of the applicable charges or \$30.00, whichever is less. Link-Up also provides for deferred payment of connection charges without interest. It does not cover the cost of wiring inside your home and is limited to one time per home address per subscriber.

Contact JVT by dialing 611 for more information.

Contact Information

James Valley Telecommunications ★ 235 E. 1st Avenue ★ PO Box 260 ★ Groton, SD 57445-0260
 605-397-2323 or 1-800-556-6525 ★ Fax: 605-397-2350

Email: jvinfo@jamesvalley.com

Website: www.jamesvalley.com

TELEPHONE SAFETY

The telephone is one of the safest appliances in the home or office. There are a few situations where a telephone user does need to be cautious.

Use of the Telephone Near Water

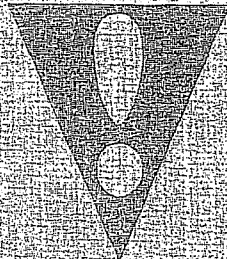
The telephone should not be used in a bathtub, shower or pool. Immersion of the telephone or handset in water could cause an electrical shock.

Use of the Telephone During an Electrical Storm

Avoid using a telephone during an electrical storm in the immediate area; calls of an urgent nature should be brief. Although the Telephone Company uses protective measures to limit abnormal electrical surges from entering the premise, absolute protection is impossible. There is a remote risk of a dangerous electrical shock from lightning when using the telephone during a nearby electrical storm.

Use of the Telephone to Report a Gas Leak

Do not use a telephone in the vicinity of a gas leak. The telephone contains electrical contacts that could generate a tiny spark when you lift the handset and dial. While unlikely, it may be possible for this spark to trigger an explosion if the gas concentration is high enough.



SPECIAL NEEDS FOR CUSTOMERS WITH DISABILITIES

Telecommunications Equipment Distribution Program

Program

The Telecommunication Equipment Distribution Program (TEDP) is for people who are deaf, hard of hearing, deaf-blind, speech-impaired or have difficulty communicating on the telephone. Special equipment is available at no cost to enhance phone communication. For more information, call (605) 367-5759.

Telephone Assistance Programs

The Telephone Assistance Program (TAP) provides reduced phone bills for qualified low-income customers.

The Link-Up program provides financial help with telephone service installation charges for qualified low-income customers.

Bill Print Message

LIFELINE & LINK-UP PROGRAMS

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Link-Up provides eligible subscribers with reduced connection charges for their basic home telephone service.

For more information call JVT at 611.

NOTICE

TO ALL JAMES VALLEY TELECOMMUNICATIONS CUSTOMERS

Changes brought about by the federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 have resulted in low-income assistance programs in South Dakota. Low-income subscribers may qualify to receive reduced monthly and installation charges for basic telephone service. Details regarding the Lifeline and Link-Up programs are included in this notice.

FCC rules require a signed, written certification and periodic verification from the subscriber proving their eligibility by presenting in person or sending a copy of your Medicaid or other Lifeline qualifying public assistance card and self-certifying, under penalty of perjury, that you qualify to continue to participate in the Lifeline assistance program based on continued participation in qualifying public assistance programs or total household income below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (documentation required).

If you, as a subscriber, qualify, you may complete the enclosed application form and return it to our office at:

**James Valley Telecommunications
235 E First Ave
PO Box 260
Groton, SD 57445-0260**

It is required in signing and submitting the application that you certify under penalty of perjury that you, in fact, qualify for Lifeline and Link-Up benefits, and if, at any time, you become ineligible, you will notify James Valley Telecommunications.

UNDER THE LIFELINE PROGRAM, ELIGIBLE CUSTOMERS RECEIVE AN \$8.25 REDUCTION TO THEIR BASIC MONTHLY TELEPHONE SERVICE.

Please read the enclosed materials carefully. If you have any questions regarding these programs, call 611 or 1-800-556-6525.

LOW-INCOME ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

James Valley Telecommunications is authorized to provide two federal telephone assistance programs that were developed in response to concerns about the affordability of telephone service for low-income citizens.

- The Lifeline program provides reduced monthly charges to telephone subscribers who qualify.
- The Link-Up program provides reduced connection charges to telephone subscribers who qualify.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Telephone service must be in the applicant's name. The applicant must participate in at least one of the following public assistance programs to be eligible:

- Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical, State Supplemental Assistance)
- Food Stamps program
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Federal Housing Assistance (Section 8)
- Low Income Home Energy Assistance
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program
- National School Lunch (NSL) free lunch program

Or

- My household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (documentation required)

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HOW DO I APPLY AND RECERTIFY?

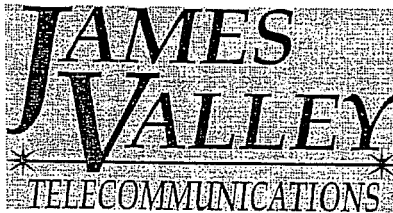
If you meet the eligibility requirements, fill out and sign the application form with appropriate documentation provided and deliver or mail it to: James Valley Telecommunications at 235 E 1st Ave, Groton, SD 57445-0260.

COULD I BECOME INELIGIBLE?

When you no longer participate in any of the qualifying public assistance programs and your household income exceeds 135 per cent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, you are no longer eligible for **Lifeline** or **Link-Up**. You are obligated by law to notify James Valley Telecommunications and advise the company that you are no longer eligible for **Lifeline**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have questions about **Lifeline** or **Link-Up**, the application form or your telephone service, contact James Valley Telecommunications at 611 or 1-800-556-6525.



Lifeline and Link-Up Assistance
(Please Print)

Name (Last) (First) (Middle)

Address: (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Telephone Number (if existing service): () -

Number where you can be reached or receive messages: () -
area code & 7-digit number

Please answer the following questions (check appropriate lines):

- 1. I am applying for: Lifeline monthly telephone service discount
Link-Up telephone connection charge discount

Note: Telephone Service MUST be in applicant's name.

- 2. I am currently participating in the following program(s): Check all that apply

- Medicaid (e.g. Title XIX/Medical, State Supplemental Assistance)
Food Stamps program
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program
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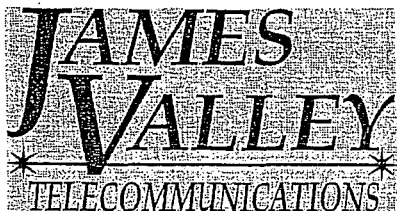
- My household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (documentation required)

I agree to notify James Valley Telecommunications, when I no longer qualify based on the above criteria.

I CERTIFY UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS TRUE. I have read the information on this application and understand I must meet the above qualifications to receive Lifeline and/or Link-Up assistance on my primary residential telephone line.

Your Signature

Social Security Number Date



SELF-CERTIFICATION FOR LIFELINE/LINK UP APPLICANTS QUALIFYING UNDER INCOME-BASED CRITERION

I, _____, certify under penalty of perjury that I qualify for Lifeline/Link Up assistance based on my household income that is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. I further certify under penalty of perjury that there are _____ members in my household and that the supporting income documentation presented to my telecommunications provider accurately represents the annual income of all members of my household.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

2004 Estimated Income Requirements for a Household at or Below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines

Size of Family Unit	48 Contiguous States & DC
1	\$12,569
2	\$16,862
3	\$21,155
4	\$25,448
5	\$29,741
6	\$34,034
7	\$38,327
8	\$42,620
For each additional person, add	\$ 4,293



Lifeline and Link-Up Certification and Recertification Procedures

April 7, 2005 - Letter with recertification forms and return envelopes sent to existing customers receiving the monthly credit for Lifeline program giving 60 days to return completed form and documentation with notification that any customer not returning completed forms with documentation will be removed from Lifeline program.

June 10, 2005 – Due date for certifications with appropriate documentation must be received back at the office. Any individual not returning certification documents will be removed from the program effective July 1, 2005.

Annually thereafter, a separate mailing of letters with recertification forms and return envelopes will be sent to a random sample of customers participating in the Lifeline program based on a factor of 90% accuracy with +/-10% margin of error to verify eligibility.

Customers certifying or recertifying for Lifeline and/or Link-Up programs will be required to provide corroborating documentation for eligibility. An indicator will be placed on each customer's account when certification is completed for reference purposes. Scanned documentation will be retained indexed for qualified individuals.

New customers may certify for Lifeline and/or Link-Up programs any time throughout the year by completing the certification forms, signing and providing corroborating documentation.

Throughout the year, existing customers must notify James Valley Telecommunications when no longer eligible and to be removed from the respective program(s).

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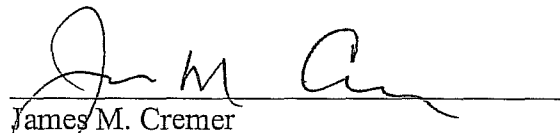
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

James M. Cremer, of Bantz, Gosch & Cremer, L.L.C., hereby certifies that on the 18th day of May, 2005, he mailed by United States mail, first class postage thereon prepaid, an original and ten true and correct copies of the **JAMES VALLEY COOPERATIVE TELEPHONE COMPANY LIFELINE AND LINK-UP SUBMISSIONS** in the above-captioned action to the following:

Ms. Pamela Bonrud
Executive Director
S.D. Public Utilities Commission
500 E. Capitol Ave.
Pierre, SD 57501

Dated this 18th day of May, 2005.

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