

Jefferson Telephone Company, LLC a/k/a Long Lines  
P.O. Box 128  
Jefferson, South Dakota 57038

June 1, 2016

Ms. Patricia Van Gerpen, Executive Director  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, South Dakota 57501

**Connect America Fund – Intercarrier Compensation Recovery and Certification 2016**

Dear Ms. Van Gerpen:

Attached for filing, please find:

1. Annual Reporting Requirements for Section 54.304 Report (391666); and
2. Request for Confidential Treatment of CAF ICC supporting data for 2016

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Bergmann

Paul Bergmann  
Manager

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RE: Annual Reporting Requirements for Section 54.304 (391666)

Ms. Van Gerpen:

The Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) November 18, 2011 USF/ICC Transformation Order, FCC 11-161 (WC Docket No. 10-90) requires carriers seeking to obtain recovery through the federal mechanisms established in the Order to make certain certifications to the FCC and to state commissions regarding their eligibility for, and their compliance with the rules applicable to, such recovery.

Specifically, 47 C.F.R. §51.917 (d) (vii) requires Rate of Return Carriers to certify annually to the FCC and to relevant state commissions that the carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the federal recovery mechanisms. In compliance with that requirement, Jefferson Telephone Company, LLC a/k/a Long Lines hereby states that it is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism described in §51.917.

The FCC's November 18, 2011 USF/ICC Transformation Order, FCC 11-161 (WC Docket No. 10-90) also requires rate of return carriers seeking CAF ICC support to file data establishing the amount of the rate of return carrier's eligible CAF ICC funding per 47 C.F.R. §54.304 (d) (1).

If you have any further questions, please contact Bryan Dilks at 515-221-4629 or [bdilks@kiesling.com](mailto:bdilks@kiesling.com) or Cheryl Clauson at 515-221-4621 or [cclauson@kiesling.com](mailto:cclauson@kiesling.com).

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Bergmann

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Manager



**Study Area: JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD (ID: 391666)**  
**Holding Company: LONG LINES, LLC (ID: 200001600)**

**CONNECT AMERICA FUND**

Data to be provided to USAC/FCC in June 2016 for CAF ICC Purposes

**Current Settlement Type: Cost**

**Test Period 7/1/16-6/30/17 Post True-up (Filing) View**

<b>Rate-of-Return (ROR) Carrier Revenue Requirement</b>	
1	2011 Interstate Switched Access Revenue Requirement
2	FY 2011 Intrastate Terminating Switched Access Revenues
3	FY 2011 Net Reciprocal Compensation Revenues
4	2011 ROR Carrier Base Period Revenue (Line 1 + Line 2 + Line 3)
5	ROR Carrier Baseline Adjustment Factor (0.95 ^ 5)
6	ROR Carrier Revenue Requirement (Line 4 x Line 5)
7	Pool Administration Expenses
8	Total ROR Carrier Revenue Requirement (Line 6 + Line 7)
<b>Revenues from Reformed Inter-carrier Compensation (ICC) Rates</b>	
9	Interstate Switched Access Revenues
10	Interstate Allocated Switched Access Revenues#
11	Transitional Intrastate Access Service Revenues
12	Net Transitional Reciprocal Compensation Revenues
13	Total ICC Revenue (Line 10 + Line 11 + Line 12)
<b>Eligible Recovery</b>	
14	TRS Increment
15	Regulatory Fees Increment
16	NANPA Increment
17	Interstate Local Switching Support for Price Cap Affiliates
18	Adjustment for Double Recovery or Corrections
19	Test Period 14/15 Trueup - Net Impact on Total Eligible Recovery
20	Eligible Recovery (Line 8 - Line 13) + (Line 14 + Line 15 + Line 16 + Line 18 + Line 19) - (Line 17)
<b>Revenues from Access Recovery Charges (ARC)</b>	
21	Residential ARC Revenues
22	Single Line Business ARC Revenues
23	Multi-Line Business ARC Revenues
24	Total ARC Revenues (Line 21 + Line 22 + Line 23)
<b>Connect America Fund (CAF) ICC Support**</b>	
25	<b>Connect America Fund (CAF) ICC Support (Line 20 - Line 24)</b>

**NOTES:**

#Per FCC Designation Order, calculated as (Sum of Line 9 for all TS pool participants) \* (Line 1/ Sum of Line 1 for all TS pool participants)

\*\*NECA estimate provided for informational purposes only - actual to be calculated by USAC.



**2016 CAF ICC Data Collection**

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**Access Recovery Charges**

Recalculate ARC Rates & CAF Support revenues

[Test Period 2016-2017 Pre-True-up View](#) [Test Period 2016-17 Post-True-Up \(Filing\) View](#)

**Test Period 2016-2017 Post True-Up (Filing) View**

Exchange/Zone Name	Residential Lines excluding Lifelines	Residential ARC	Residential ARC Revenue	SLB Lines	SLB ARC	SLB ARC Revenue	MLB Lines	MLB ARC	MLB ARC Revenue	Total ARC Revenue
Jefferson Study Area Summary		\$2.50			\$2.50			\$3.00		

Rate Element Description [Col D]	Unit of Demand [Col E]	7/1/2016 Interstate Rate [Col F]	Test Year 2015-2016 Current Intrastate Rate [Col G]	7/1/2016 Proposed Intrastate Rate [Col H]	FY 2011 Intrastate Units: Terminating for Non-Dedicated or Originating and Terminating for Dedicated Elements [Col I]	Intrastate Price-out with 7/1/2016 proposed intrastate rate and FY2011 Demand [Col J]	FY 2015 Intrastate Units: Terminating for Non-Dedicated and total for Dedicated Elements [Col K]	Test Year 2016-2017 Forecasted Intrastate Units% [Col L]	Intrastate Units Growth Rate % [Col M]	TY 2016-17 Forecasted Intrastate Revenue% [Col N]
Add/Drop Multiplexing Central Office Port, Per Port DS1 1.544 Mbps	Port	\$69.80000000	\$69.39000000	\$69.80000000						
Add/Drop Multiplexing Central Office Port, Per Port DS3 44.736 Mbps	Port	\$174.53000000	\$173.51000000	\$174.53000000						
Add/Drop Multiplexing Central Office Port, Per Port OC3 155.52 Mbps	Port	\$283.48000000	\$281.82000000	\$283.48000000						
Common Channel Signaling Network Connection Signaling Entrance Facility, Per Facility	Facility	\$151.29000000	\$150.40000000	\$151.29000000						
Common Channel Signaling Network Connection Signaling Mileage Facility, Per Mile	Mile	\$7.87000000	\$7.82000000	\$7.87000000						
Common Channel Signaling Network Connection Signaling Mileage Termination, Per Termination	Termination	\$78.99000000	\$78.53000000	\$78.99000000						
Common Channel Signaling Network Connection STP Port, Per Port	Port	\$779.59000000	\$775.03000000	\$779.59000000						
Customer Node Per Node OC12 622.08 Mbps	Port	\$2495.90000000	\$2481.29000000	\$2495.90000000						
Customer Node Per Node OC3 155.52 Mbps	Port	\$863.96000000	\$858.90000000	\$863.96000000						
Customer Premises Port, Per Port DS1 1.544 Mbps	Port	\$87.24000000	\$86.73000000	\$87.24000000						
Customer Premises Port, Per Port DS3 44.736 Mbps	Port	\$340.37000000	\$338.38000000	\$340.37000000						
Customer Premises Port, Per Port OC3 155.52 Mbps	Port	\$283.48000000	\$281.82000000	\$283.48000000						
Customer Premises Port, Per Port STS-1 51.84 Mbps	Port	\$340.37000000	\$338.38000000	\$340.37000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 10 Mbps DTF-E1	Circuit Miles	\$204.47000000	\$203.27000000	\$204.47000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 10 Mbps DTF-E2	Circuit Miles	\$122.70000000	\$121.98000000	\$122.70000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 10 Mbps DTF-E3	Circuit Miles	\$201.53000000	\$200.35000000	\$201.53000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 10 Mbps DTF-E4	Circuit Miles	\$413.36000000	\$410.94000000	\$413.36000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 2 Mbps DTF-E1	Circuit Miles	\$80.64000000	\$80.17000000	\$80.64000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 2 Mbps DTF-E2	Circuit Miles	\$53.77000000	\$53.46000000	\$53.77000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 2 Mbps DTF-E3	Circuit Miles	\$80.06000000	\$79.59000000	\$80.06000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 2 Mbps DTF-E4	Circuit Miles	\$134.07000000	\$133.28000000	\$134.07000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 50 Mbps DTF-E1	Circuit Miles	\$572.54000000	\$569.19000000	\$572.54000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 50 Mbps DTF-E2	Circuit Miles	\$381.72000000	\$379.48000000	\$381.72000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 50 Mbps DTF-E3	Circuit Miles	\$658.19000000	\$654.34000000	\$658.19000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile ESALT 50 Mbps DTF-E4	Circuit Miles	\$1173.02000000	\$1166.15000000	\$1173.02000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile High Capacity DS1	Mile	\$27.38000000	\$27.22000000	\$27.38000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile High Capacity DS3	Mile	\$238.50000000	\$237.10000000	\$238.50000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile Synchronous Optical Channel OC12	Mile	\$320.45000000	\$318.57000000	\$320.45000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile Synchronous Optical Channel OC3	Mile	\$255.30000000	\$253.81000000	\$255.30000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/ Mile Voice Grade - Two Wire & Four Wire	Mile	\$5.83000000	\$5.80000000	\$5.83000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination ESALT 10 Mbps	Circuit terms	\$230.05000000	\$228.70000000	\$230.05000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination ESALT 2 Mbps	Circuit terms	\$188.17000000	\$187.07000000	\$188.17000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination ESALT 50 Mbps	Circuit terms	\$281.16000000	\$279.51000000	\$281.16000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination High Capacity DS1	Termination	\$142.05000000	\$141.22000000	\$142.05000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination High Capacity DS3	Termination	\$912.18000000	\$906.84000000	\$912.18000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination Synchronous Optical Channel OC12	Termination	\$2067.95000000	\$2055.84000000	\$2067.95000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination Synchronous Optical Channel OC3	Termination	\$949.77000000	\$944.21000000	\$949.77000000						
Direct Trunked Transport Facility/Termination Voice Grade - Two Wire & Four Wire	Termination	\$58.68000000	\$58.34000000	\$58.68000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination ESALT 10 Mbps	Circuit	\$762.87000000	\$758.40000000	\$762.87000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination ESALT 2 Mbps	Circuit	\$707.80000000	\$703.66000000	\$707.80000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination ESALT 50 Mbps	Circuit	\$988.35000000	\$982.56000000	\$988.35000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination High Capacity DS1	Termination	\$399.62000000	\$397.28000000	\$399.62000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination High Capacity DS3	Termination	\$3648.81000000	\$3627.44000000	\$3648.81000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination Synchronous Optical Channel OC12	Termination	\$3972.50000000	\$3949.24000000	\$3972.50000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination Synchronous Optical Channel OC3	Termination	\$3720.70000000	\$3698.91000000	\$3720.70000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination Voice Grade Four Wire	Termination	\$131.17000000	\$130.40000000	\$131.17000000						
Entrance Facility, Per Termination Voice Grade Two Wire	Termination	\$81.97000000	\$81.49000000	\$81.97000000						
ESALT Entrance Facility Protection, Per ESALT Entrance Facility ESALT 10 Mbps	Circuit	\$285.85000000	\$284.18000000	\$285.85000000						
ESALT Entrance Facility Protection, Per ESALT Entrance Facility ESALT 2 Mbps	Circuit	\$285.85000000	\$284.18000000	\$285.85000000						
ESALT Entrance Facility Protection, Per ESALT Entrance Facility ESALT 50 Mbps	Circuit	\$285.85000000	\$284.18000000	\$285.85000000						
ESALT Real Time CoS/QoS, Per ESALT DTF-E1 Facility ESALT 10 Mbps	Facility	\$77.01000000	\$76.56000000	\$77.01000000						
ESALT Real Time CoS/QoS, Per ESALT DTF-E1 Facility ESALT 2 Mbps	Facility	\$15.40000000	\$15.31000000	\$15.40000000						
ESALT Real Time CoS/QoS, Per ESALT DTF-E1 Facility ESALT 50 Mbps	Facility	\$239.62000000	\$238.22000000	\$239.62000000						

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Multiplexing, Per Arrangement DS1 to Voice	Termination	\$321.33000000	\$319.45000000	\$321.33000000						
Multiplexing, Per Arrangement DS3 to DS1	Termination	\$832.26000000	\$827.39000000	\$832.26000000						
Network Blocking, Per Blocked Call Network Blocking, Per Blocked Call, Applies to FGD only	Call	\$0.01650000	\$0.01640000	\$0.01650000						
Nonrecurring Charges ESALT 10 Mbps	Facility	\$573.45000000	\$570.09000000	\$573.45000000						
Nonrecurring Charges ESALT 2 Mbps	Facility	\$573.45000000	\$570.09000000	\$573.45000000						
Nonrecurring Charges ESALT 50 Mbps	Facility	\$573.45000000	\$570.09000000	\$573.45000000						
Nonrecurring Charges ESALT Direct Trunked Termination, per ESALT Direct Trunked Termination installed	Order	\$377.81000000	\$375.80000000	\$377.81000000						
Nonrecurring Charges ESALT Entrance Facility Protection, per ESALT Entrance Facility	Facility	\$579.65000000	\$576.26000000	\$579.65000000						
Nonrecurring Charges FGC and FGD Conversion of Multifrequency Address Signaling to SS7 Signaling or SS7 Signaling to Multifrequency Address Signaling, per 24 trunks converted or fraction thereof on a per order basis	Order	\$475.25000000	\$472.47000000	\$475.25000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Flexible Automatic Number Identification (Flex ANI), per End Office, per CIC	End Office	\$0.00000000	\$0.00000000	\$0.00000000						
Nonrecurring Charges High Capacity DS1	Facility	\$354.84000000	\$352.76000000	\$354.84000000						
Nonrecurring Charges High Capacity DS3	Facility	\$478.49000000	\$475.89000000	\$478.49000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Interim NXX Translation, Per Order	Order	\$236.56000000	\$235.17000000	\$236.56000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Synchronous Optical Channel OC12	Facility	\$387.09000000	\$384.82000000	\$387.09000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Synchronous Optical Channel OC3	Facility	\$387.09000000	\$384.82000000	\$387.09000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Trunk Activation, per 24 trunks activated or fraction thereof on a per order basis	Order	\$493.53000000	\$490.64000000	\$493.53000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Voice Grade Four Wire	Facility	\$483.86000000	\$481.03000000	\$483.86000000						
Nonrecurring Charges Voice Grade Two Wire	Facility	\$483.86000000	\$481.03000000	\$483.86000000						
Terminating End Office Access Service Terminating End Office, Non-Premium, per access minute	MOU	\$0.00500000	\$0.00946900	\$0.00500000						
Terminating End Office Access Service Terminating End Office, Premium, per access minute	MOU	\$0.00500000	\$0.01696900	\$0.00500000						
Terminating Tandem Switched Transport Terminating Tandem Switched Termination	Minutes	\$0.00224700	\$0.00223400	\$0.00224700						
Terminating Tandem Switched Transport Terminating Tandem Switched Transport Facility	Minutes / Mile	\$0.00043300	\$0.00043000	\$0.00043300						
Terminating Tandem Switched Transport Terminating Tandem Switching	Minutes	\$0.00566800	\$0.00563500	\$0.00566800						

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER.

**Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the CAF ICC Data Reported**

**I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the actual data reported; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form is accurate.**

Name of Reporting Carrier: **JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD**

Signature of Authorized Officer: **Tom Connors**

Digitally signed by Tom Connors DN:cn=Tom  
Connors,email=tomc@longlines.biz,O=jefferson tel co  
-sd,l=Jefferson SD 57038-0128, Date:5/24/2016

Date: **5/24/2016**

Printed name of Authorized Officer: **Tom Connors**

Title or position of Authorized Officer: **Manager**

Telephone number of Authorized Officer: **605-966-5631**

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier

**391666**

Filing Due Date for this form  
(mm/dd/yyyy)

**6/16/2016**

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING DATA ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

**Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Data Reported on Behalf of Reporting Carrier**

I certify that (Name of Agent) National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc. is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the data provided to the Authorized Agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the actual data provided to the Authorized Agent is accurate.

Name of Authorized Agent : National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.

Name of Reporting Carrier: JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD

Signature of Authorized Officer: <u>Tom Connors</u>	Digitally signed by Tom Connors DN:cn=Tom Connors,email=tomc@longlines.biz,O=jefferson tel co -sd,l=Jefferson SD 57038-0128, Date:5/24/2016	Date: <u>5/24/2016</u>
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Printed name of Authorized Officer: Tom Connors

Title or position of Authorized Officer: Manager

Telephone number of authorized officer: 605-966-5631

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier	<u>391666</u>		Filing Due Date for this form (mm/dd/yyyy)	<u>6/16/2016</u>	
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TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

**Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Eligibility for CAF/ICC Recovery**

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier on this form certifies that it has complied with Eligible Recovery §51.917(d) and Access Recovery Charge §51.917(e) and is eligible to receive the CAF ICC support requested pursuant to §51.917(f).

Name of Reporting Carrier: JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD

Signature of Authorized Officer or employee: **Tom Connors**  
Digitally signed by Tom Connors DN:cn=Tom Connors,email=tomc@longlines.biz,O=jefferson tel co -sd,l=Jefferson SD 57038-0128, Date:5/24/2016

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Title or position of Authorized Officer or employee: Manager

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TO BE COMPLETED BY AN OFFICER OF THE REPORTING CARRIER

**Certification of Officer for Rate-of-Return Carrier Not Seeking Duplicative Recovery**

I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reporting carrier is not seeking duplicative recovery in the state jurisdiction for any Eligible Recovery subject to the recovery mechanism as per §51.917(d)(vii).

Name of Reporting Carrier: JEFFERSON TEL CO -SD

Signature of Authorized Officer or employee: Tom Connors

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STATE OF IOWA

BEFORE THE SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

In the Matter of )  
Jefferson Telephone Company, LLC a/k/a Long Lines ) Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Annual Reporting Requirements for Section 54.304 (391666) )

REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT  
OF INFORMATION

Jefferson Telephone Company, LLC a/k/a Long Lines respectfully requests that the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission to treat as confidential and/or proprietary the information being filed in support of FCC Section 54.304 and 51.917 reporting requirements and submit the data under seal as a confidential exhibit of the CAF ICC supporting data for 2016. In support of this request, the Petitioner submits the following:

- 1. The proprietary information contained in this filing constitutes competitively sensitive business information that is considered confidential.
- 2. The confidential supporting data would disclose financial information regarding the operations of the company.
- 3. The company is filing certain documents as required by the FCC Order and they are being filed in both a Confidential and Public version.
- 4. For these reasons, Petitioner, Jefferson Telephone Company, LLC a/k/a Long Lines, respectfully requests that the CAF ICC supporting data for 2016 which it proposes to submit under seal as a confidential exhibit to its Annual Reporting Requirements for Section 54.304 (391666) be treated as confidential information and not be made part of the public record in this Docket.

Respectfully submitted,

By: /s/ Paul Bergmann

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