

**BEFORE THE  
SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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<b>IN THE MATTER OF THE REQUEST OF )</b>	<b>TC17-031</b>
<b>JAMES VALLEY COOPERATIVE )</b>	
<b>TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR )</b>	<b>JAMES VALLEY COOPERATIVE</b>
<b>CERTIFICATION REGARDING ITS USE )</b>	<b>TELEPHONE COMPANY'S</b>
<b>OF FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE )</b>	<b>RESPONSES TO 1ST DATA REQUESTS</b>
<b>SUPPORT. )</b>	

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James Valley Cooperative Telephone Company (JVCTC), for its responses to the 1st Data Requests from Staff, states as follows:

**Data Request No. 1-1: What is the basis for JVCTC projected \$3,811,574 in Alternative Connect America Model?**

Response:

This amount reflects the FCC's final model results as applied to JVCTC's eligible census blocks. It was an "all or nothing" offer from the FCC to replace existing USF support.

**Data Request No. 1-2: What type of analysis did JVCTC do before electing to receive funding from the Alternative Connect America Model?**

Response:

We compared the FCC's model offer to the required obligations of accepting the offer. The obligation included a broadband commitment to approximately 1,900 locations in the eligible census blocks over the course of ten years.

**Data Request No. 1-3: Were there any network improvement projects scheduled for 2016 that JVCTC didn't meet? Explain.**

Response:

No.

**Data Request No. 1-4: Confirm that new customers received information about Lifeline within 30 days of receiving service.**

Response:

Confirmed.

**Data Request No. 1-5: In what newspapers or general distribution media did James Valley advertise Lifeline assistance information?**

Response:

Groton Independent, Redfield Press, Conde News/Doland Times Reporter, and Aberdeen American News.

Dated this 18th day of July, 2017.

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