

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
LIFELINE/LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH
ANNUAL REPORT
JUNE 1, 2008**

Company: Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc.

Address: PO Box 158

Kennebec, SD 57544

Telephone number: (605) 869-2220

Company contact: Rod Bowar

Study Area Code: 391668

Lifeline/Link Up Advertising/Outreach Activities:

- Advertise in media of general distribution.* (See attached advertisement(s).)
- Letter to existing and new customers regarding the availability of Lifeline/Link Up.* (See attached letter.)
- Company's Lifeline/Link Up information in directory.
- Company's Lifeline/Link Up information available on Company website. (www.kennebectelephone.com)
- Company's information posted on USAC website.
- Other (describe): Provide Lifeline/Link up handouts at the Kennebec Business Appreciation Night, Kennebec Ag Days, Presho Farm and Home Show and all open houses. The handouts are also on the information rack in the Kennebec Telephone office.

*Required

Publisher's Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
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 COUNTY OF LYMAN)

Cornie Parry, of said county and state being duly sworn on her oath says: The Lyman County Herald is a weekly newspaper of general circulation and published in Presho, Lyman County, and State of South Dakota; and has been such newspaper during the times hereinafter mentioned; That said newspaper is a legal weekly, that it has a bonafide circulation of more than 200 copies weekly, that it has been published within said County of Lyman more than fifty-two successive weeks next prior to publication of the notice hereinafter mentioned and maintained at the place of publication; That I, the undersigned am editor of said newspaper, in charge of the advertising department thereof, and have personal knowledge of all the facts stated in this affidavit; that the advertisement headed:

Kennebec Telephone Company
60 Lines

a printed copy of which is hereto attached and published in the said newspaper for 1 consecutive week(s).

The first publication of said notice in said newspaper aforesaid was on Wednesday, the 14 day of May A.D., 2008 and that the succeeding publications were severally

Wednesday, the	_____ day of _____	A.D., 2008
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and the last publication on Wednesday, the 14 day of May, 2008, that the full sum of fees charged for publishing the same, to-wit: the sum of \$ 19.50 insures solely to the editor of The Lyman County Herald. That no agreement or understanding for any division thereof had been made with any other person, and that no part thereof has been agreed to be paid to any person whatsoever.

Cornie Parry
Dennis Danner
 Notary Public

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of May, 2008
 My Commission expires 2-24-11 200

NOTICE

Kennebec Telephone Company Inc. is a telecommunications company that provides basic and enhanced services within its service area.

Basic services are offered at the following rates:

- Single Party Residence Service \$6.00/month
- Single Party Business Service \$25.00/month

Local residence and business services include:

- Voice grade access to the public telephone network
- The-rated local exchange service free of per-minute charges
- Access to directory assistance service
- Access to other operator services
- Access to 911 emergency services
- Access to interexchange (long distance) service
- Dual tone multi-frequency signaling (touch tone) service

Lifeline and Link Up telephone assistance programs are also available to qualifying low income subscribers.

These programs provide for connection and monthly service discounts on telephone service. Enhanced Lifeline/Link Up support is available to those qualifying individuals living on Tribal Lands. Enhanced Lifeline/Link Up provides for expanded eligibility requirements and additional telephone service discounts. Subscribers eligible for Lifeline/Link Up are featured Lifeline/Link Up way that receive toll-free service at no charge.

The services associated about are offered to all customers in Kennebec Telephone Company's service area. If you have any questions regarding our services, please call our office at 888-228-2228. You are also welcome to visit our business office at 220 S Main Street in Kennebec.

This notice is posted in accordance with South Dakota Public Utilities Commission order IC97-092 and pursuant to 47 United States Section 214(e) and 47 Code of Federal Regulation Section.



March 20, 2008

Re: Lifeline/Link Up Program

Dear :

Enclosed is an application for Lifeline/Link Up Assistance. If you are eligible please complete the form and return to us as soon as possible.

If you are not eligible please sign at the bottom of the form where it states information was provided to you and return it in the enclosed envelope.

If questions please call 869-2220. Thank you.

Regards,

Cherry Comp
Customer Account Rep
Kennebec Telephone Co., Inc.

CC/cc
Enclosures

LIFELINE/LINK UP ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

(please print)

Name: Last First M.I.

Address: Street Apt. No.

City: City State Zip Code

Social Security Number: _____

Telephone Number (if you have existing service): _____

Telephone Number where you can be reached or receive messages: _____

- 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 receiving assistance benefits from at least one of the following programs (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. National School Lunch (NSL) free lunch program.

3. Or,

My household income is at or below 135 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. (documentation required - see attached self-certification)

I agree to notify the telephone company when I no longer qualify based on the above criteria.

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

Signature

Date

Send the completed application to your local phone company

Lifeline information was provided to me: (please sign) 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: _____

(circle documentation presented to telecommunication provider)

- Prior year's state, federal, or tribal tax return
- Current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub (three consecutive months)
- Social Security statement of benefits
- Veteran's Administration statement of benefits
- Retirement/pension statement of benefits
- Unemployment/Workmen's Compensation statement of benefits
- Federal or tribal notice of letter of participation in General Assistance
- Divorce Decree
- Child support

Important Notice Regarding the DTV Transition

After February 7, 2009, a television receiver with only an analog broadcast tuner will require a converter box to receive full power over-the-air broadcasts with an antenna because of the Nation's transition to digital broadcasting. Analog-only TVs should continue to work as before to receive low power, Class A or translator television stations and with cable and satellite TV services, gaming consoles, VCRs, DVD players and similar products. Information about the DTV transition is available from www.DTV.gov and from www.dtv2009.gov or 1-888-DTV-2009 for information about subsidized coupons for digital-to-analog converter boxes.