# Exhibit C-10

(Sioux Valley Study Area 391677)

FCC For	m 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form		Of	C Form 481 MB Control No. 3050 ly 2013	-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
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<030>	Contact Name: Person USAC should contact with questions about this data	Jill Reinert			The second secon
<035>	Contact Telephone Number: Number of the person identified in data line <030>	6052792161 ext.			
<039>	Contact Email Address: Email of the person identified in data line <030>	jillreinert@goldenw	est.com		***************************************
ANNUA	L REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS				54.313   54.422   Completion   Required   Required   (check box when complete)
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting		(complete attached worksh	eet)	<b>/</b>
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)		(complete attached worksh	eet)	<b>✓</b> ✓
<210>		outages to report			1
<300>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice) 0			I	
<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice)				
				(attach descriptive d	ocument)
<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband) 0			-	
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<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)			]	
<410>	Fixed 0.0				<b>/ /</b>
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<500>	Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection R 391677sd510.pdf	ules compliance	(check to indicate certifica	ition)	
<510>			(attached descriptive do	ocument)	<b>/</b> /
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	391677sd610.pdf				
<610>			(attached descriptive docui	ment)	
<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice)		(complete attached works	heet)	<b>-</b>
<710>	Company Price Offerings (broadband)		(complete attached works	·	
<800>	Operating Companies and Affiliates		(complete attached works	heet)	
	Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)?	lify	es, complete attached works		
<1000>	Voice Services Rate Comparability		(check to indicate certifica	tion)	
<1010>			(attach descriptive docum	ent)	
<1100>	Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)?	(if	 not, check to indicate certific	stion)	
<1110> <1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers		(complete attached works (complete attached works		
	Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional	Documentation Works	heet		***************************************
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<2000> <2005>			(check to indicate certificate) (complete attached worksh		
	Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional	Documentation Works		•	
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<035>	Contact Telephone Number - Number of person identified in data line <030>	6052792161	l ext.	
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line <030>	jillreinert	rt@goldenwest.com	
<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(ye	(yes/no) O	
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(ye	(yes/na) O O	
<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 cCETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.  Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on lit 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement		a Name of Attached Document	
<113> <114> <115> <116> <117> <118>	plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.  Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets Report how much universal service (USF) support was received How (USF) was used to improve service quality How (USF)was used to improve service coverage How (USF) was used to improve service capacity Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.			

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)	FCC Form 481
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	NORS Reference Number	Outage Start Date	Outage Start Time	Outage End Date	Outage End Time	Number of Customers Affected	Total Number of Customers	911 Facilities Affected (Yes / No)	Service Outage Description (Check all that apply)	Did This Outage Affect Multiple Study Areas (Yes / No)	Service Outage Resolution	Preventative Procedures
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Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge		Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fe
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	State	Exchange (ILEC)	Residential Rate	State Regulated Fees	Total Rate and Fees	Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)	Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)	Usage Allowance (GB)	Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached (select)
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Data Col	ection Form			OM8 Control No. 3060-0986/OM8 Control No. 3060-0819
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<810>	Reporting Carrier Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative,	Inc.		
<811>	Holding Company N/A			
<812>	Operating Company Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative,	Inc.		
<813>	<al></al>		<a2></a2>	<b>(83</b> )
	Affiliates		SAC	Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
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	ibal Lands Reporting Hection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<035>			6052792161 ext.
<039>	Contact Email Address - Email Address of person identified in data line	<030>	jillreinert@goldenwest.com
<910>	Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves		
<920>	Tribal Government Engagement Obligation		Name of Attached Document
to conf demon	company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes firm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, strates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to (3(a)(9) includes:  Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions. Feasibility and sustainability planning; Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner; Compliance with Rights of way processes Compliance with Facilities Siting rules Compliance with Environmental Review processes Compliance with Environmental Review processes Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.	Sel- (Yes, N/	,No, A)

AT INVESTIGATION OF THE PARTY O	o Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting ection Form		FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<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)		

Lifeline	erms and Condition for Lifeline Customers ection Form			FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013
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<1210>	Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans		391677sd1210.pdf	
				Name of Attached Document
<1220>	Link to Public Website	НТТР		
or the we	heck these boxes below to confirm that the attached document(s), on line to bsite listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to (a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers mus report:			
<1221>	Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers,	1		
<1222>	Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan,	<b>7</b>		
<1223>	Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan.			

(2000) Pr	ice Cap Carrier Additional Documentation			FCC Form 481
Data Coll	lection Form			OMB Central No. 3060-0985/OMB Central No. 3060-0819
including	Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers			July 2013
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CHECK ti	he boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of incremental Connect Ameri			
	support as set forth in 47 CFR § 54.313(b),(c),(d),(c	e) the information reported on this form a	nd in the documents attac	thed 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))			
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	Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (47 CFR § 54.312(a))		·	
<2012>	2013 Frozen Support Certification			
<2013>	2014 Frozen Support Certification			
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<2013>	2010 and future reason support Certification	* *	L	
	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))			
<2017> <2018>	3rd year Broadband Service Certification		<del>  -  </del>	
<2019>	5th year Broadband Service Certification Interim Progress Certification		Ħ	
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<2020>	Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support	ine 2021, contains the required inform shall provide the number, names, and	lation	
	addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing	ng access to broadband service in the		
	preceding calendar year.			
<2021>	Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions	l		
		Nam	ne of Attached Document I	isting Required Information

(3000) A:	tte Of Return Cerrier Additional Documentation		FCC Form 481	
Deta Call	ection Form		OMB Control N	2050-0985/OM8 Control No. 5050-0818
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CHECK t	he boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuan	it to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring one information reported on this form and in the documents attach		
	CFR 9 54.313(1)(2). I turther centry that th	is information reported on this form and in the documents attach	en pelam is accurate	<u>.</u>
(3016)	Progress Report on 5 Year Plan			
(0020)	Milestone Certification (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i))			1
		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Informa	tion	l
	Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3	O12 contains the required information pursuant to		
(3011)	§ 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and address	esses of community anchor institutions to which began		
	providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.		***************************************	_
(3012)	Community Anchor Institutions (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii))			
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(2012)	1	Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information (Yes/No.)	0	
	is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier (47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report	(Yes/No)	<b>12-4</b>	
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	check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017	r, contains the required information pursuant to 9 34.313(1)(2		# <b>05</b> .
(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	sh Flows	الحاا	
		391677sd3017.pdf		7
(3017)	If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual			
,,	report and all required documentation	1		1
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		Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information	$\sim$	
(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			
(2010)	confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains			
(2012)	Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a fo	ormat comparable to KUS Operating Report for Telecommunication	٠ ــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	
(3020)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Co	ash Flows	<u> </u>	
(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		~d	
	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		About	
	format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers,			
(3023)	Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified			
(2023)	public accountant			
(3024)	Underlying information subjected to an officer certification.			
(3025)	Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Ca	sh Flows		
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(3026)	Attach the worksheet listing required information		1	
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	•	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

l 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 recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate.

Name of Reporting Carrier: SIOUX VALLEY TEL. CO

Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE

Date 06/16/2014

Printed name of Authorized Officer: Dennis Law

Title or position of Authorized Officer: CEO

Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 6052792161 ext.

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 391677

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.

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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 F	File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier
I certify that (Name of Agent) also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities incle agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the a	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I ude ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized authorized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent:	
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: Fil	ing Due Date for this form:
	orfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

### 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						
	zed to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided orting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.					
Name of Reporting Carrier:						
Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:						
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Date:					
Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:						
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent						
Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Ag	:					
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Attachments

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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date 1/1/2014		

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<702> Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge

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State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Residential Local Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fee
SD	Colton 605 446		FR	17.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	17.5
SD	Corsica 605 946		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.0
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SD	Humboldt 605 363		FR	14.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	14.0
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# <u>Five-Year Network Improvement Plan</u> <u>Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. – Study Area 391677</u>

In its *USF/ICC Transformation Order* and subsequent Orders, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC" or "Commission") requires Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs") to submit a five-year build-out plan in a manner consistent with Section 54.202(a)(1)(ii) of the Commission's Rules by July 1, 2014 and to submit annual progress reports thereafter.<sup>1</sup> Section 54.202(a) (1) (ii) states in part that ETCs are to [s]ubmit a five-year plan that describes with specificity proposed improvements or upgrades to the [ETC's] network throughout its proposed service area Each [ETC] shall estimate the area and population that will be served as a result of the improvements . . . . ."<sup>2</sup>

In its *March 5, 2013 Order*, the FCC specified that for rate-of-return carriers, the five-year plans "should describe the carrier's network improvement plan, which should provide greater visibility into current plans to extend broadband service to unserved locations in rate-of-return service territories." Golden West Telecommunications

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Connect America Fund; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future; Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers; High-Cost Universal Service Support; Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Lifeline and Link-Up; Universal Service Reform—Mobility Fund; WC Docket Nos. 10-90, 07-135, 05-337, 03-109, CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45, GN Docket No. 09-51, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-61 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (USF/ICC Transformation Order) at Para. 587; pets. for review pending sub nom. In re: FCC 11-161, No. 11-9900 (10th Cir. filed Dec. 8, 2011); see also Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Order, DA 12-147 (rel. Feb. 12, 2012) at Para. 5 (amending Section 54.313(a)(1) to clarify this requirement); Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Third Order on Reconsideration, FCC 12-52 (rel. May 14, 2012) at Para. 10 (changing the filing deadline for the annual reports from April 1 to July 1); Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket 10-90 et al., Order, DA 13-332 (rel. Mar. 5, 2013) ("March 5, 2013 Order") at Para's. 4, 6-9. Delaying Five Year Plan until July 1, 2014 see WC Docket No. 10-90, Order, DA 13-1115, Para. 8 (released May 16, 2013).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.202(a) (1) (ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> March 5, 2013 Order at Para. 9 citing Section 54.202(a) (1) (ii).

Cooperative, Inc. ("the Company") is a rate-of-return carrier ETC and hereby submits its five-year network improvement plan for study area 391677.

# I. The Challenges Faced by the Company in Providing Voice and Broadband to its Rural Service Area

### A. Description of the Company and its Service Area

Golden West Telecommunications provides advanced telecommunication services across a large portion of South Dakota. Golden West's service area spans over 24,500 square miles, or nearly one-third of South Dakota's total land mass. Golden West's service area is sparsely populated, with an average customer density of less than 1.5 customers per square mile. Golden West provides service to over fifty small communities across South Dakota, including portions of five tribal reservations, with the population of the largest community in Golden West's service area being nearly 4,000 residents. Golden West service area includes farm and ranch lands, as well as areas with significant rock and/or forest land. Golden West also works with a variety federal, state and local governmental entities in order to secure right-of-way for the placement of telecommunications facilities, including national parks, national forests, national grasslands, tribal lands and state parks as examples.

# B. The Exchanges Contained Within the Company's Study Area Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., study area 391677, serves the combined exchange area(s) of:

Colton, SD 605-446	Humboldt/Montrose, SD 605-363
Corsica, SD 605-946	Plankinton, SD 605-942
Dell Rapids, SD 605-428	

# II. The Company Has Used and Will Use Universal Service Support Only For the Intended Purposes

Section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended requires ETCs to use Universal Service support ("USF") "only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." Pursuant to Section 54.314 of the FCC's rules, in order for state-designated ETCs to receive USF for the coming year, states must annually file certifications by October 1 stating that all federal high-cost support provided to such carriers within the state "was used in the preceding calendar year and will be used in the coming calendar year only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." ETCs not designated by a state must file similar certifications with the FCC.6

In its *USF/ICC Transformation Order*, the FCC clarified that prior to making the Section 254(e) certifications, states should conduct a "rigorous examination of the factual information" contained in the annual Section 54.313 reports, of which the five year network improvement plan and annual progress reports are a part, in determining whether they can certify that carriers' support has been used and will be used only for the purpose for which the support was intended.<sup>7</sup> The FCC said that it would also use the reports to verify certifications filed by ETCs that are not state-designated.<sup>8</sup> In this context, the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 U.S.C. § 254(e).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.314(b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See USF/ICC Transformation Order at Para. 612.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> *Id*.

Commission stated, "[i]n light of the public interest obligations we adopt in this Order, a key component of this [Section 254(e)] certification will now be that support is being used to <u>maintain and extend</u> modern networks capable of providing voice and broadband service."

Essentially, under the existing rules and processes, the federal USF received by the Company and other incumbent rural telephone companies are, in fact, an integral part of the recovery of expenditures of rural incumbent local exchange carriers incurred in the provision, maintenance and upgrading of their provision of facilities and services for which the USF is intended. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. depends upon its receipt and utilization of federal universal service support to provide rural telephone customers with affordable and quality voice and broadband services.

Accordingly, given the critical role the network improvement plan and the progress reports will have in the annual Section 254(e) certification process, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'s plan and progress reports will demonstrate not only how the Company has used and will use USF not only for improvements and upgrades, but also for the provision and maintenance of the facilities and services to which the support was intended.

### III. The Company's Five-Year Network Improvement Plan

When the Commission adopted its five-year plan requirements for FCC-designated ETCs in its 2005 ETC Order, it set forth the following criteria as to how the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> *Id.* (emphasis supplied).

ETC is to describe with "specificity" the proposed improvements or upgrades to the ETC's network throughout its service area:

(1) how signal quality, coverage, or capacity will improve due to the receipt of high-cost support throughout the area for which the ETC seeks designation; (2) the projected start date and completion date for each improvement and the estimated amount of investment for each project that is funded by high-cost support; (3) the specific geographic areas where the improvements will be made; and (4) the estimated population that will be served as a result of the improvements.<sup>10</sup>

In that order, the FCC clarified that service quality improvements in the five-year plan "do not necessarily require additional construction of network facilities." Accordingly, the improvements listed in the plan may be projects related to the expansion of the network (one or multiple services), projects related to updating technology to accommodate new services or higher bandwidth or maintenance projects, such as to reduce trouble reports or replace outdated equipment. Additionally, in some cases, the projects may be ones that improve or upgrade the entire network rather than discrete areas within a study area or they may be ones that are ongoing projects that have no specific start and completion dates.

The instructions to the Form 481 state "[r]ecipients may describe where improvements are expected to occur by wire center or census block, as appropriate. To the extent no improvements are planned in specific areas, the five-year plan should so indicate." The instructions also require that in subsequent annual progress reports

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> 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").

<sup>11</sup> Id.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481, OMB Control No. 3060-0986 (High-Cost), OMB Control No. 3060-0819 (Low-Income), July 2013, Line 112

which must include the total amount of universal support received must provide this information "broken out separately by the amount spent on capital expenses and the amount spent on operating expenses." Accordingly, the Company's five-year plan separately provides both capital expenditures and operating expenses.

### A. The Company's Major Network Improvement Projects

Based upon this framework, Appendix A reflects Golden West

Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'s major network improvement projects for the

five calendar years 2015 through 2019<sup>14</sup> along with the start and completion dates, capital
costs, areas and population associated with those projects.

### B. How These Projects Will Improve the Network

As detailed in Appendix A, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. anticipates investing for network improvements in study area 391677 during calendar years 2015 – 2019.

There are two projects planned for 2015 that will deliver upgrades to the Company's transport network. One of the projects will provide for improvements to the interexchange transport network. Through these investments, legacy transmission equipment will be updated, enabling the Company to deliver more bandwidth and services from the rings to each central office. The other project will see further investments in the Ethernet network to support MPLS (Multiprotocol Label Switching)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481, OMB Control No. 3060-0986 (High-Cost), OMB Control No. 3060-0819 (Low-Income), July 2013, Line 112

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Based upon informal discussions with the FCC, the five-year network improvement plan will start with calendar year 2015 and run through calendar year 2019.

for the delivery of bandwidth and services, enabling the Company to scale network capacity at a granular level while at the same time providing a more reliable method for managing IP traffic.

Other investments projected for years 2015 – 2019 will be directed toward maintaining the existing network, providing for service to new subscribers, and further improvements to the transport network that will support increased bandwidth to keep up with consumer demand. The projections for years beyond 2015 are based on both actual costs from recent years and current year estimates.

The investments shown for "Other Cable and Wire Additions" will be used to bring broadband and/or voice services to new subscribers and provide for cable maintenance and repairs across the entire service area.

Those investments detailed for "Central Office Transmission" and "Central Office Subscriber Carrier Maintenance and Upgrades" are intended for maintenance and repairs for the existing transport and subscriber carrier facilities throughout the service area.

They will also be used toward the purchase of new equipment to accommodate new subscriber growth and increased bandwidth as consumer demand requires. These investments will improve the quality of both voice and broadband services.

The investments listed for "Building and Maintenance Upgrades", "Vehicle and Work Equipment Replacement", and "Information Technology Services" are intended for the entire service area and will allow for general maintenance and upgrades to central offices, the purchase of outside plant equipment essential for the day to day upkeep of the network, and computers and other telecommunications equipment necessary for the business operations of the Company.

# C. Part 32 and Yearly Breakdown of Estimated Capital Expenditures Associated with the Projects and Operating Expenses

Appendix B included herein specifies the projects listed in Appendix A in terms of the Part 32 capital expenditures categories and in terms of the years in which the costs are expected to occur along with depreciation expense associated with the capital expenditures. In a separate section, the projected operating expenses are provided.

# Appendix A

Study Area Code

391677

Study Area Name

Golden West - Sioux Valley

Company Contact Name

Jill Reinert

Contact Telephone Number

(605) 279-2161

Contact Email Address

jillreinert@goldenwest.com

### PART A - PROJECT LIST FOR 2015-2019

PART A - PROJECT LIST FOR 2015-20.				Estimated	
Project	Start Date	Completion	Areas	Population	Total Dollars
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Appendix A

Study Area Code Study Area Name Company Contact Name Contact Telephone Number 391677 Golden West - Sioux Valley

Jill Reinert 605-279-2161

Contact Email Address jillreinert@goldenwest.com

Regulated Capital Expenditure (CapEX) Projections											
Account	Description	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	CapEx 2015 2019				

	Regulated Op	erating Expe	nditure (OpE	x) Projection	S		
Account	Operating Expenses	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total Operating Expenses 2015- 2019



### Certification of Service Quality Standards & Consumer

### Protection Rules Compliance for Voice and Broadband Services

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter "the Company") hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules.

This document details the processes and procedures that the Company follows to ensure compliance with service quality standards and consumer protection rules as laid out in FCC Form 481 Instructions.

The Company provides voice grade access to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) at a flat rate, thereby enabling access to emergency services provided by local government or other public safety organizations such as 911.

For service quality standards that are affected by plant issues, the Company engineers and installs its plant and other facilities in such a way as to ensure, to the greatest extent possible, safe, adequate, and continuous service at all times.

In addition, employees are periodically trained on service quality standards and consumer protection issues. In particular, if any set of issues appear to be prevalent, employees are given briefings on how to handle such issues, beyond the normal guidelines in place for resolution of customer complaints. A recent example is the call completion problems that have arisen and the customer calls that are generated as a result. Although this is not a service quality problem caused by the Company, it does affect customers of the Company and, therefore, deserves the attention of the Company employees.

The Company also periodically reviews its operating procedures to be sure that those operating procedures are in compliance with service quality standards and that the operating procedures are not in violation of consumer protection rules. Internally a compliance officer ensures annual employee training and dictates disciplinary processes for improper use of consumer information. If concerns arise that cannot be handled by the compliance officer, legal counsel is sought to assist with a resolution.

If complaints are filed with the Company related to service quality standards or consumer protection rules, the complaint is immediately investigated, the matter tracked and any corrective action noted. This process ensures that problems are addressed and corrections made.

The Company advertises the availability of its services and the charges using media of general distribution and on its website.

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.

The Company maintains six business offices throughout its service area providing customers with access to a customer service representative either in person or via a local telephone number or toll-free telephone number during normal business hours. Customers also have access to the repair service and internet help desk twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week by calling a toll-free number, or by calling one of the business office numbers, which forward to these services after hours.



## Certification of Functionality in Emergency Situation

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Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. (hereinafter "The Company") hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2). The Company's critical network infrastructure 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 take reasonable steps to reroute traffic around damaged facilities and manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available and the facility can be safely accessed, or until reasonable system changes are made to reroute traffic.

The capacity of the Company to function in emergency situations encompasses both voice and broadband.

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."



#### Lifeline Terms and Conditions

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. offers Lifeline program-supported service to qualified low-income residential consumers for one telephone line per eligible household. The Lifeline program provides discounts to eligible low-income consumers to help them establish and maintain telephone service. Lifeline assistance lowers the cost of basic, monthly local telephone service. Eligible consumers can receive \$9.25 per month in discounts. In addition, the Federal Universal Service Charge is not assessed to consumers participating in Lifeline. Toll Blocking prevents the placement of all long distance calls for which a subscriber would be charged. Toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost.

#### Lifeline Program Eligibility Information

#### **Program Based Eligibility**

Consumers are eligible for Lifeline if they, one of their dependents or their household participate in one of the following qualifying assistance programs:

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
Medicaid
National School Lunch Program's Free Lunch Program
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

Lifeline applicants must present documentation demonstrating eligibility either through participation in one of the qualifying federal assistance programs or through income-based means.

Acceptable documentation of program-based eligibility includes: current or prior year's statement of benefits from a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; notice letter of participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program; program participation documents; or another official document evidencing the consumer's participation in a qualifying state, federal or Tribal program.

#### **Income Based Eligibility**

In addition, consumers are eligible for Lifeline if their household income is at or below 135% of the federal poverty guidelines.

2014 Federal Poverty Guidelines - 135%

Household Size	48 Contiguous States and D.C.	Alaska	Hawaii
1	\$15,755	\$19,683	\$18,117
2	\$21,236	\$26,541	\$24,422
3	\$26,717	\$33,399	\$30,726
4	\$32,198	\$40,257	\$37,031
5	\$37,679	\$47,115	\$43,335
6	\$43,160	\$53,973	\$49,640
7	\$48,641	\$60,831	\$55,944
8	\$54,122	\$67,689	\$62,249
For each additional person, add	\$5,481	\$6,858	\$6,305

Acceptable documentation of income eligibility includes: prior year's state, federal or Tribal tax return; current income statement from an employer or paycheck stub; social security statement of benefits; Veterans Administration statement of benefits; retirement/pension statement of benefits; unemployment/workmen's compensation statement of benefits; federal or Tribal notice of letter participating in General Assistance; or a divorce decree or child support award or other official document containing income information.

#### **Tribal Eligibility**

A subscriber who lives on Tribal lands and is an eligible resident of Tribal lands is eligible for Tribal Lifeline service or Tribal Link Up if the subscriber, one or more of the subscriber's dependents, or the subscriber's household participates in any of the above-listed qualifying assistance programs or one of the following Tribal-specific federal assistance programs: Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance; Tribally Administered Temporary Assistance for Needy Families; Head Start (if income eligibility criteria are met); or the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). Tribal subscribers may also qualify if the household income is at or below 135% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

#### Numbers of Minutes-of-Use Provided as Part of Lifeline Program Service

Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'s Voice Lifeline service includes unlimited local minutes-of-use within the toll-free calling area. Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc.'s Voice Lifeline Plan does not include any free minutes-of-use for toll. Toll is billed at the standard toll rate depending on which interexchange carrier the consumer subscribes to for toll service. As part of the Lifeline service, toll blocking is available to eligible consumers at no cost.

#### Rates

Subscribers may receive the Lifeline credit on any type or grade of local service, including bundled services that are normally offered by Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc. Advertised rates do not include any applicable taxes or surcharges.

### Recertification of Lifeline Eligibility

Lifeline recipients are required to recertify their eligibility annually. Failure to properly recertify a recipient's continued eligibility for the Lifeline program will result in termination of the Lifeline recipient's monthly Lifeline discount and de-enrollment from the Lifeline Program.

# Additional Lifeline Program Information

The Lifeline program is limited to one benefit per household, consisting of either wireline or wireless service. A household is defined, for purposes of the Lifeline program, as an individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Lifeline is a government benefit program, and consumers who willfully make false statements in order to obtain the benefit can be punished by fine or imprisonment or can be barred from the program.

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CURRENT ASSETS			CURRENT LIABILITIES								
Cash and Equivalents			25. Accounts Payable								
2. Cash-RUS Construction Fund			26. Notes Payable								
3. Affiliates:			27. Advance Billings and Payments								
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			28. Customer Deposits								
b. Other Accounts Receivable			29. Current Mat. L/T Debt								
c. Notes Receivable			30. Current Mat. L/T Debt-Rur, Dev.								
4. Non-Affiliates:			31. Current MatCapital Leases								
a. Telecom, Accounts Receivable			32. Income Taxes Accrued								
b. Other Accounts Receivable			33. Other Taxes Accrued								
c. Notes Receivable	1		34. Other Current Liabilities								
Interest and Dividends Receivable			35. Total Current Liabilities (25 thru 34)								
6. Material-Regulated			LONG-TERM DEBT								
7. Material-Norregulated			36, Funded Debt-RUS Notes								
8. Prepayments			37. Funded Debt-RTB Notes								
9. Other Current Assets			38. Funded Debt-FFB Notes								
10. Total Current Assets (1 Thru 9)			39. Funded Debt-Other								
NONCURRENT ASSETS			40. Funded Debt-Rural Develop, Loan								
11. Investment in Affiliated Companies	-		41. Premium (Discount) on L/T Debt								
a. Rural Development	4		42. Reacquired Debt								
b. Nonrural Development	-		43. Obligations Under Capital Lease	100							
12. Other investments	+		44. Adv. From Affiliated Companies		-						
a. Rural Development	+		45. Other Long-Term Debt								
b. Nonrural Development			46. Total Long-Term Debt (36 thru 45)								
13. Nonregulated investments	+		OTHER LIAB. & DEF. CREDITS								
14. Other Noncurrent Assets	+		47. Other Long-Term Liabilities								
15. Deferred Charges	-		48. Other Deferred Credits								
16. Jurisdictional Differences			49. Other Jurisdictional Differences								
17. Total Noncurrent Assets (11 thru 16)	-		50. Total Other Liabilities and Deferred Credits (47 thru 49)								
PLANT, PROPERTY, AND EQUIPMENT			EQUITY								
18. Telecom, Plant-in-Service	+		51. Cap. Stock Outstand. & Subscribed	-							
19. Property Held for Future Use	1		52. Additional Paid-in-Capital								
20. Plant Under Construction	+		53. Treasury Stock								
21. Plant Adj., Nonop. Plant & Goodwill	+		54. Membership and Cap. Certificates								
22. Less Accumulated Depreciation	+		55. Other Capital								
23. Net Plant (18 thru 21 less 22)			56. Patronage Capital Credits	-							
24. TOTAL ASSETS (10+17+23)			57. Retained Earnings or Margins								
			58. Total Equity (51 thru 57)								

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PART B. STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND RETAINED EARNI	NGS OR MARGINS	
ITEM	PRIOR YEAR	THIS YEAR
Local Network Services Revenues		
2. Network Access Services Revenues		
Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
Carrier Billing and Collection Revenues		
5. Miscellaneous Revenues		
6. Uncollectible Revenues		
7. Net Operating Revenues (1 thru 5 less 6)		
Plant Specific Operations Expense		
Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense (Excluding Depreciation & Amortization)		
10. Depreciation Expense		
11. Amortization Expense		
12. Customer Operations Expense		
13. Corporate Operations Expense		
14. Total Operating Expenses (8 thru 13)		
15. Operating income or Margins (7 less 14)		
16. Other Operating Income and Expenses		
17. State and Local Taxes		
18. Federal Income Taxes	<del></del>	
19. Other Taxes		
20. Total Operating Taxes (17+18+19)		
21. Net Operating Income or Margins (15+16-20)		
22. Interest on Funded Debt	<del></del>	
23. Interest Expense - Capital Leases		
24. Other Interest Expense		
25. Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		
26. Total Fixed Charges (22+23+24-25)		
27. Nonoperating Net Income		
28. Extraordinary Items		
29. Jurisdictional Differences		
30. Nonregulated Net Income		
31. Total Net Income or Margins (21+27+28+29+30-26)		
32. Total Taxes Based on Income		
33. Retained Earnings or Margins Beginning-of-Year		
34. Miscellaneous Credits Year-to-Date		
35. Dividends Declared (Common)		
36. Dividends Declared (Preferred)		
37. Other Debits Year-to-Date		i
38. Transfers to Patroпage Capital  39. Retained Earnings or Margins End-of-Period [(31+33+34) - (35+36+37+38)]		
40. Patronage Capital Beginning-of-Year		
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41. Transfers to Patronage Capital		
42. Patronage Capital Credits Retired		
43. Patronage Capital End-of-Year (40+41-42)		
44. Annual Debt Service Payments		
45. Cash Ratio [(14+20-10-11) / 7]		<del></del>
46. Operating Accrual Ratio [(14+20+26) / 7]		
47. TIER [(31+26) / 26]		
48. DSCR [(31+26+10+11) / 44]		

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	Part C. S	UBSCRIBER (	ACCESS LIN	E), ROUTE M	ILE, & HIGH	SPEED DATA	INFORMATIO	N	
MobileWireless									
Route Mileage Outside Exchange Area									
l'otal									
No. Exchanges									

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	Part C	. SUBSCRIBER (A		, ROUTE MILE, & BROADBAND SERV		DATA INFORMA	ATION	
						sive Broadband S		
EXCHANGE	No. Access Lines with BB available (a)	No Of Broadband Subscribers (b)	Number Of Subscribers (c)	Advertised Download Rate (Kbps) (d)	Advertised Upload Rate (Kbps) (e)	Price Per Month (f)	Standalone/Pckg	Type Of Technology (g)
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	Part C. SUB	SCRIBER (ACC)	ESS LINE), ROUTE MII	LE, & HIGH SPEED I	DATA INFORMATION	
			4. BROADBAND S	SERVICE		
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Total						

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				December, 20	13	
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		PART D. SYSTEM	I DATA			
1. No. Plant Employees	2. No. Other Employees	3. Square Miles Served		4. Access Lines per Square	Mile	5. Subscribers per Route Mile
		PART E. TOLL	DATA			
Study Area ID Code(s)	2. Types of Toll Se	ettlements (Check on	<del>)</del>			
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	PART F. FU	INDS INVESTED IN	PLANT DURING YE	AR		
1. RUS, RTB, & FFB Loan Funds E	Expended		4.44.4°	·		
2. Other Long-Term Loan Funds Ex						
3. Funds Expended Under RUS int	erim Approval					
4. Other Short-Term Loan Funds E	xpended					
5. General Funds Expended (Other	r than Interim)					
Salveged Materials						
7. Contribution in Aid to Construction	on ·					
8. Gross Additions to Telecom. Pla			W			
	PART G. IN	VESTMENTS IN AF	FILIATED COMPAN	ies		-
		CURRENT	YEAR DATA		CUMULATIVE DA	ITA
				Cumulative	Cumulative	
INV	ESTMENTS	Investment	Income/Loss	Investment	Income/Loss	Current
		This Year	This Year	To Date	To Date	Balance
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(4)	(e)	Ø
<ol> <li>Investment in Affiliated Compani</li> </ol>	les - Rural Development	Ш				501
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Are corporation's depreciation rates approved by the regulatory authority with jurisdiction over the provision of telephone services? (Check one)

YES

NO

EQUIPMENT CATEGORY	DEPRECIATION RATE
Land and support assets - Motor Vehicles	
2. Land and support assets - Aircraft	
3. Land and support assets - Special purpose vehicles	
Land and support assets - Garage and other work equipment	
5. Land and support assets - Buildings	
Land and support assets - Furniture and Office equipment	
7. Land and support assets - General purpose computers	
B. Central Office Switching - Digital	
9. Central Office Switching - Analog & Electro-mechanical	
10. Central Office Switching - Operator Systems	
11. Central Office Transmission - Radio Systems	
12. Central Office Transmission - Circuit equipment	
13. Information origination/termination - Station apparatus	
14. Information origination/termination - Customer premises wiring	
15. Information origination/termination - Large private branch exchanges	
16. Information origination/termination - Public telephone terminal equipment	
17. Information origination/termination - Other terminal equipment	
18. Cable and wire facilities - Poles	
19. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Metal	
20. Cable and wire facilities - Aerial cable - Fiber	
21. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Metal	
22. Cable and wire facilities - Underground cable - Fiber	
23. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Metal	
24. Cable and wire facilities - Buried cable - Fiber	
25. Cable and wire facilities - Conduit systems	
26. Cable and wire facilities - Other	

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25.

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27.

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Other Long-Term Investments

Net increase/(Decrease) in Cash

Other (Explain)

**Ending Cash** 

Other Noncurrent Assets & Jurisdictional Differences

Net Cash Provided/(Used) by Investing Activities

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