

**SOUTH DAKOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
LIFELINE/TRIBAL LINK UP ADVERTISING/OUTREACH  
ANNUAL REPORT  
JULY 1, 2024**

Company: Fort Randall Telephone Company

Address: 722 West Highway 46  
Wagner, SD 57380

Telephone number: (605) 384-3993, (320) 847-2211

Company contact: Bruce Hanson

Study Area Code: 391660

Lifeline/Tribal 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/Tribal Link Up within 1<sup>st</sup> 30 days of service.\* (See attached letter.)



Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information in directory.



Company's Lifeline/Tribal Link Up information available on Company website.



Company's information posted on USAC website.



Other (describe):

\*Required

## **EXHIBIT A**

Media Advertising



Mt. Rushmore Telephone Company

**Phone & Broadband Discounts  
for Low-Income Users**

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Hill City Prevalence 5/9/23 + 5/16/23  
Custer County Chronicle 5/9/23 + 5/16/23

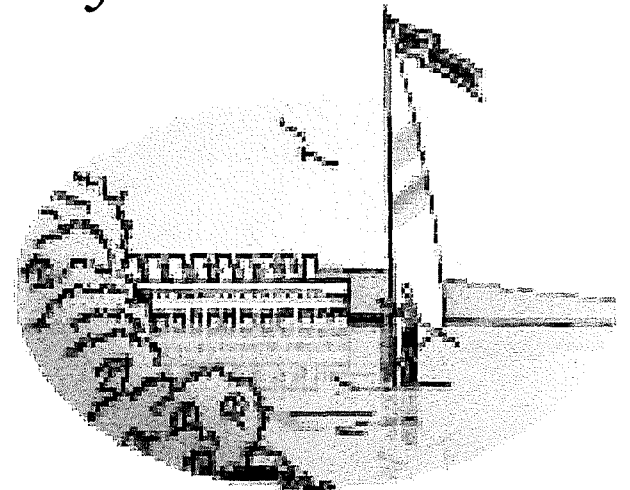
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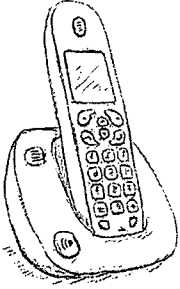
## **FORT RANDALL**

### **TELEPHONE COMPANY**

**Helping People Communicate Since 1951**



Wagner Post + Lake Andes Wave  
5/9/23 + 5/16/23



## **Phone or Internet Discounts for Low-Income Users**

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monthly telephone or broadband bill.**

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**SOME LIMITATIONS APPLY - Please contact our office**

### **Fort Randall Telephone Company**

*Your local telephone company*

**Ph. 605-589-3366**

**Tyndall - Tabor**



*TYNDALL Tribune + Register 5/7/23 + 5/16/23*



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**Please contact our office (605) 563-2863**

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Centerville Journal  
Viborg Express

5/10/23 + 5/17/23  
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## **EXHIBIT B**

Letter to Customers





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### Link -Up:

This national program will pay up to 50% of your local telephone service connection and installation charges, up to a maximum of \$30.

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Telephone Equipment Distribution (TED) Provides equipment for those who have hearing loss, speech, and/or mobility impairments that limit their use of a standard telephone.

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1	\$19,683
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For Each Additional Person add \$6,939

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