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July 3, 2024

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Executive Director  
Kansas Corporation Commission  
1500 SW Arrowhead Road  
Topeka, KS 66604-4027  
(785) 271-3100

Re: Docket No. 24-GIMT-612-GIT, Annual Certification  
Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached please find for filing in the above referenced docket Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless' Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Annual Certification and a copy of FCC Form 481.

If you have any questions or if I may provide you with additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 770-232-9200 or etc@telecomcounsel.com.

Respectfully submitted,

*s/Rachael Sears*

Rachael Sears, Regulatory Specialist  
Expert Telecom Compliance

Attachments

**BEFORE THE KANSAS CORPORATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of Certification of Compliance	)	
with Section 254(e) of the Federal	)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996 and	)	Docket No. 24-GIMT-612-GIT
Certification of Appropriate Use of Kansas	)	
Universal Service Fund Support	)	

**GLOBAL CONNECTION INC. OF AMERICA D/B/A STAND UP WIRELESS’  
ANNUAL CERTIFICATION**

Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (“Stand Up Wireless”) was designated an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) by the Kansas Corporation Commission (“Commission”) for federal Universal Service Fund (“USF”) low-income support purposes in Docket No. 12-GCAT-713-ETC by Order dated August 31, 2012. Stand Up Wireless, by its undersigned counsel, submits the following in accordance with the Order issued on March 21, 2024 in this Docket (“Order”), and respectfully requests that the Commission certify Stand Up Wireless’ continued eligibility to receive federal low income support. Attachment 5 of the Order, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is the only attachment applicable to Stand Up Wireless. Stand Up Wireless has attached hereto as Exhibit B a copy of its FCC Form 481.

Respectfully submitted,

*/s/ Lance J.M. Steinhart*

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**Exhibit A**

**Attachment 5**

## Annual ETC Certification of Requirements Imposed by the Commission in Docket Number 06-GIMT-446-GIT

1. Did your company experience any outage in the prior calendar year, as that term is defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5, of at least 30 minutes in duration for each service area in which an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier is designated for any facilities it owns, operates, leases, or otherwise utilizes that potentially affect: (i) at least 10% of the end users served in a designated service area; or (ii) a 911 specialty facility as defined in 47 C.F.R. § 4.5(e)?

**(Yes/No) No. IF YES, PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:**

Date and time of Onset of the Outage	Description of the Outage and its Resolution	Particular services affected	Geographic Areas Affected	Steps Taken to Prevent a Similar Situation in the Future	Number of Customers Affected

(If necessary, please provide additional pages.)

2. Please provide the number of requests for service from potential customers within the recipient's service areas that were unfulfilled during the prior calendar year. If applicable, please explain how your company attempted to provide service to those potential customers.

**The Company is not aware of any unfulfilled requests for service from Lifeline eligible customers in the prior calendar year.**

3. Please provide the number of complaints per 1,000 connections (fixed or mobile) in the prior calendar year.

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Attachment 5

4. A wireline ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards and a wireless ETC must certify that it is in compliance with the CTIA Code. **Please complete the following, as applicable to your company:**

**QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELINE ANNUAL CERTIFICATION**

**KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT**

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ (Company/  
Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/  
Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am binding  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (Company/ Cooperative) is in  
compliance with the Commission's quality of service standards as adopted in Docket No. 191,206-U.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true  
and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed/Typed Name

**QUALITY OF SERVICE WIRELESS ANNUAL CERTIFICATION**

**KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT**

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is Chief Operating Officer of the Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a  
Stand Up Wireless (Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify  
whether the Company/ Cooperative is complying with required quality of service standards. I am  
binding Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless Company/Cooperative to the  
statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up  
Wireless (Company/ Cooperative) is in compliance with the CTIA Code.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true  
and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on 7/3/2024 (date).

X Jennifer Carter  
Signature

Jennifer Carter, Chief Operating Officer \_\_\_\_\_

Print / Typed Name

5. Each ETC must certify that it will be able to function in an emergency as set forth in 47 C.F.R § 54.202(a)(2).

**ABILITY TO FUNCTION IN AN EMERGENCY ANNUAL CERTIFICATION**

**KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT**

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is Chief Operating Officer of the Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative is able to function in an emergency. I am binding Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/ Cooperative) is capable of functioning in an emergency.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on  
7/3/2024 (date).

X Jennifer Carter  
Signature

Jennifer Carter, Chief Operating Officer

Printed / Typed Name

6. 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(1)(B) requires every ETC to advertise its services (including Lifeline services) throughout the service area for which it has been designated “using media of general distribution.” **Please complete the following:**

Name of Media	Type of Media	Geographic Areas Reached	Dates Published
www.standupwireless.com	Internet	Throughout service area	Ongoing

(If necessary, please attach additional pages.)

7. A competitive ETC must certify that it offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent LEC. Please provide a description of the local usage plan(s) that is comparable to that of the incumbent LEC and complete the certification.

**Similar to incumbent offerings, Stand Up Wireless offers plan options that allow for unlimited local usage. See attached Exhibit B for a summary of Stand Up Wireless' Lifeline rate plans, which also exceed incumbent offerings in several respects. In contrast to the ILEC plans, which contain relatively small local calling areas, Stand Up Wireless' customers can use their minutes to place calls statewide (and even nationwide) because Stand Up Wireless does not constrict customers' use by imposing a local calling area requirement. Stand Up Wireless also provides Lifeline customers with E911 capabilities and access to voice mail, caller I.D., and call waiting features at no cost.**

COMPARABLE LOCAL USAGE PLAN ANNUAL CERTIFICATION  
KCC Docket Reference: 06-GIMT-446-GIT

(Please type or print legibly)

1. My title is Chief Operating Officer of the Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/ Cooperative). In this capacity, I am in a position of authority to certify whether the Company/ Cooperative offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent. I am binding Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/Cooperative) to the statements made in this certification.

2. By this affidavit, I certify that Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a Stand Up Wireless (Company/ Cooperative) offers a local usage plan comparable to that of the incumbent.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the state of Kansas that the foregoing is true and correct. (Pursuant to Kan. Stat. Ann. 53-601.) Executed on  
7/3/2024 (date).

X Jennifer Carter  
Signature

Jennifer Carter, Chief Operating Officer

Printed/Typed Name

**Exhibit B**

**FCC Form 481**



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## Filing Type and Contact Info

### Filing Type

This information has been preselected based on High Cost and Lifeline program support paid out in the previous calendar year. If you think the filing type is incorrect, [please contact USAC](#).

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High Cost (Section 54.313)

☒

Lifeline (Section 54.422)

### Contact Information

Include contact information for the person best able to answer questions about this form.

#### Contact Name (030)

#### Phone # (035)

(xxx) xxx-xxxx

#### Ext. (optional)

#### Contact Email Address (039)

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## Service Outage Reporting (Voice) (200)

### Reportable Outages

For the prior calendar year, were there any reportable voice service outages? (210)

☐

Yes

☐

No

### Upload Service Outage Data (220)

[Service Outage Data Template](#)



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## Number of Complaints per 1,000 Customers (400)

### Report Voice Complaints

How you would like to report voice complaints (zero or greater) for voice telephony service in the prior calendar year for each service area in which you are designated an ETC for any facilities you own, operate, lease, or otherwise utilize. (400)

Enter complaints per 1000 customers for fixed  
voice (410)

Enter complaints per 1000 customers for mobile  
voice (420)

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## Compliance with Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules (500)

### Certify

#### Compliance with Minimum Service Standards (515)

Does the carrier comply with applicable minimum service standards?

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Yes

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No

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## Functionality in Emergency Situations (600)

### Certify

#### Functionality in Emergency Situations Certification (600)

Is the carrier able to function in emergency situations?

☐

Yes

☐

No

#### Descriptive Document for Functionality in Emergency Situations (610)

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## Operating Companies (800)

### Carrier Names

Reporting Carrier (810)

Holding Company (811)



Validate the information listed above (811) by selecting one of the following:

- ☐ Holding Company/Affiliate name listed above is correct. (811A)
- ☐ Holding Company/Affiliate name listed above is NOT correct. (811B)

The correct Holding Company/Affiliate name  
is (811C):

- ☐ This study area does not have a Holding Company/Affiliate name. (811D)

### Operating Company

Operating Company (812)

Upload Operating Company Data (813A, 813B, 813C) (Optional)

[Operating Company Data Template](#) 

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## Tribal Lands Reporting (900)

### Tribal Land Services

Does the filing entity offer Tribal land services? (900)

☐

Yes

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No

Tribal Land(s) on which ETC Serves (910)

Tribal Government Engagement Obligation  
(920)

PDF only

### Confirm Statuses

Select Yes, No, or NA for each of the below to confirm the status described on the attached PDF (920)

demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to Section 54.313(a)(5) includes:

Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions (921)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

Feasibility and sustainability planning (922)

☐

Yes

☐

No

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NA

Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner (923)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

Compliance with Rights of way processes (924)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

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Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements (925)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

Compliance with Facilities Siting rules (926)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

Compliance with Environmental Review processes (927)

☐

Yes

☐

No

☐

NA

Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes (928)

☐

Yes

☐

No

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NA

Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements (929)

☐

Yes

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No

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NA



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## Voice and Broadband Service Rate Comparability (1000)

### Certify Voice

#### Voice Services Rate Comparability Certification (1000)

Is the carrier's pricing of fixed voice services no more than two standard deviations above the applicable national average urban rate for voice service? If you answer No to line 1000, please provide an explanation for non-compliance.

☐

Yes

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No

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Not Applicable

#### Attach Detailed Description for Voice Services Rate Comparability Compliance (1010)

PDF, XLS, XLSX only

### Certify Broadband

#### Broadband Comparability Certification (1020)

Does the carrier's broadband services pricing meet one of the following criteria? If you answer No to line 1020, please provide an explanation for non-compliance.

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Yes - Pricing is no more than the most recent applicable benchmark announced by the Wireline Competition Bureau.

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Yes - Pricing is no more than the non-promotional price charged for a comparable fixed wireline service in urban areas in the states or U.S. Territories where the eligible telecommunications carrier receives support.

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No - Unable to certify broadband rate comparability

☐

Not Applicable.

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Yes - CETC Alaska Plan participant certifies that one plan it offers is substantially similar to a service plan offered by at least one mobile wireless service provider in the cellular market area of Anchorage, Alaska and offered for the same or a lower rate than the matching plan in the cellular market area.

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**Attach Detailed Description for Broadband Rate Comparability Compliance (1030)**

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## Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting (1100)

### Certify

#### Terrestrial Backhaul Certification (1100)

Do terrestrial backhaul options exist?

☐

Yes

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No

Select the appropriate response to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to Section 54.313(g) (1130)

☐

Yes

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No

☐

Not Applicable

#### Alaska Plan Satellite Backhaul Certification (1140)

Is the carrier providing service consistent with its approved performance plan in the portion(s) of its study area that relies exclusively on satellite backhaul?

☐

Yes

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No

☐

Not Applicable

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## Lifeline Terms and Conditions (1200)

### Upload Document or Link Website

Upload a descriptive document(s) AND/OR reference a specific link to your company's website.

#### Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans (1210)

 StandUP 1210 2024 Generic.pdf (199 KB) 

PDF only

AND/OR

#### Link to Public Website(1220)

### Confirm Information

Check these boxes below to confirm that the attached PDF, on line 1210, or the website listed, on line 1220, contains the required information pursuant to Section 54.422(a)(2) annual reporting for ETCs receiving low-income support, carriers must annually report:



Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers (1221)



Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan (1222)



Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan (1223)

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## Price Cap Data (2005)

### Certify

Select the appropriate responses below to note compliance as a recipient of frozen High Cost support, High Cost support to offset access charge reductions, and Connect America Phase II support as set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(c), (d),(e). The information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

#### Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification (2015)

Does the carrier certify compliance with the requirements in 47 CFR Section 54.312(a)?

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Yes

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No

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NA

#### Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support (2016)

Does the carrier certify compliance with the requirements in 47 CFR Section 54.313(d)?

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Yes

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No

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NA

Enter total amount of Phase II support, if any, that the price cap carrier used for capital expenditures in 2022. (2017C)

\$x.xx

#### Price Cap Community Anchor Institutions (2018A)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

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Yes - Attach New Community Anchors

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No - No New Community Anchors

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Not Applicable - No Attachment Required

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Please Provide Attachment (2018B)

Attach a document to this line to provide the number, names and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the recipient newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year.

[Community Anchor Template](#) 

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## Rate of Return Data (3005)

### Certify

Select from the drop down menus or check the boxes below to note compliance with 54.313(f)(1). Privately held carriers must ensure compliance with the financial reporting requirements set forth in 47 CFR 54.313(f)(2). I further certify that the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

**Does this filing retain a Cost Consultant and/or Firm, or other Third Party to prepare financial and operations data disclosures submitted to the National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA), USAC, or the Administrator? (3007)**

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Yes

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No

Name of Consultant (3007A)

Name of Consultant Firm/Third Party (3007B)

[+Another Consultant](#)

### Certification of Public Interest Obligations (3010A)

Does the carrier certify compliance with the requirements in 47 CFR Sections 54.313(f)(1)(i)?

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Yes - Attach Explanation

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No - Attach Explanation

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Not Applicable - No Attachment Required

### Please Provide Attachment (3010B)

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### Rate-of-Return Community Anchor Institutions (3012A)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

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- ☐ Yes - Attach New Community Anchors
 ☐ No - No New Community Anchors  
☐ Not Applicable - No Attachment Required

**Please Provide Attachment (3012B)**

Using link, download template and list the number, name and address for each community anchor institution. As required by 47 CFR Section 54.313(f)(1)(ii), attach the document which contains the community anchor institution details.

[Community Anchor Template](#) 

XLSM only

**As defined in 47 CFR Section 54.313(f)(2), is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier? (3013)**

- ☐ Yes
 ☐ No

**Does your company file the RUS annual report? (3014)**

- ☐ Yes
 ☐ No

Please check these boxes to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3017, contains the required information pursuant to Section 54.313(f)(2) compliance requires:

- ☐ Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) (3015)  
☐ Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows (3016)

**Annual Report (3017)**

PDF, XLS, XLSX, DOC, DOCX only

**Is your company audited? (3018)**

- ☐ Yes
 ☐ No



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If the response is yes on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

- ☐ Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers (3019)
- ☐ Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows (3020)
- ☐ Management letter and/or audit opinion issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit (3021)
- ☐ Copy of their financial statement which has been subject to review by an independent certified public accountant; or 2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers (3022)
- ☐ Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant (3023)
- ☐ Underlying information subjected to an officer certification (3024)
- ☐ Document(s) with Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows (3025)

**Worksheet Listing (3026)**

PDF, XLS, XLSX, DOC, DOCX only

**Financial Data Summary**

Enter the specified financial data below which is located on your RUS Report (attached on Line 3017) or your reviewed/audited financial statements (attached on Line 3026).

**Revenue (3027)****Operating Expenses (3028)**

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Net Income (3029)

Telephone Plant In Service (TPIS) (3030)

Total Assets (3031)

Total Debt (3032)

Total Equity (3033)

Dividends (3034)

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## Rural Broadband Experiment Data (4005)

### Certify

#### Public Interest Obligations (4001)

Per FCC 14-98 (paragraphs 26-29 and 78), recipient certifies that it is offering broadband meeting the requisite public interest obligations consistent with the category for which they were selected, including broadband speed, latency, usage capacity, and rates that are reasonably comparable to rates for comparable offerings in urban areas.

☐

Yes

☐

No

#### RBE Community Anchor Institutions (4003A)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

☐

Yes - Attach New Community Anchors

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No - No New Community Anchors

#### Please Provide Attachment (4003B)

Using link, download template and list the number, name and address for each community anchor institution. As required by FCC 14-98 (paragraph 79), attach the document which contains the community anchor institution details.

[Community Anchor Template](#) 

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## Alaska Plan Participants (5005)

### Certify Terrestrial Backhaul

#### Newly Available Terrestrial or other Satellite Backhaul (RoR Carriers) (5011)

Indicate whether any terrestrial backhaul or other satellite backhaul became commercially available in the previous calendar year in areas previously served exclusively by performance-limiting satellite backhaul.

☐ Yes ☐ No

#### Newly Available Terrestrial or other Satellite Backhaul (CETC Carriers) (5012)

If the filing carrier identified in its approved performance plans that it relies exclusively on satellite backhaul for a certain portion of the population in its service area, indicate whether any terrestrial backhaul or other satellite backhaul became commercially available in the previous calendar year in areas that were previously served exclusively by satellite backhaul.

☐ Yes ☐ No

#### Upload Backhaul Technology Data (5013A - 5013C)

[Backhaul Data Template](#) 

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## Phase II Auction Reporting (6005)

### Certify

Enter the total amount of Phase II Auction Support, if any, the carrier used for capital expenditures. (6010)

\$x.xx

#### New York Funds Certification (6011)

Certify regarding whether the recipient has available funds for all project costs that will exceed the amount of support that will be received for the next calendar year. This certification must be provided starting the first July 1 after receiving support until the recipient's penultimate year of support.

☐

Yes

☐

No

#### Community Anchor Institutions (6012a)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

☐

Yes - Attach New Community Anchor

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No - No New Community Anchor

Using the template, upload a document with a number, name and address for each community anchor institution. (6012b)

[Community Anchor Template](#) 

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#### FCC Form 470 Postings (6013)

For the filing due July 1 following full implementation of this requirement answer this certification request.

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Yes

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No

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Not Applicable

**Post-Final Deployment Milestone Performance Certification (6014)**

Starting the first July 1 after meeting the final service milestone, certify that the Phase II-funded network that the Phase II auction recipient operated in the prior year meets the relevant performance requirements in Section 54.309.

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Yes

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No

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Not Applicable

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## Phase-Down Support Reporting (7005)

### Certify

#### Price Cap Carrier and Fixed Competitive Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Transitional Support Requirement Certification. (7010)

This certification request applies to any price cap carrier or fixed competitive eligible telecommunications carrier that elects to continue receiving support pursuant to Section 54.312(d) or Section 54.307(e)(2)(iii) starting July 1, 2020, and annually thereafter on July 1 for each subsequent year they receive such support. These carriers must use this support throughout specific high-cost and extremely high-cost census blocks where they continue to have the federal high-cost ETC obligation to provide voice service pursuant to Section 54.201(d) at rates that are reasonably comparable to comparable offerings in urban areas. Per Section 54.313(m), does the carrier certify that they used all such support received in the previous year to provide voice service in compliance with the above obligation?

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Yes

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No

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## Puerto Rico Fixed and Mobile Funds Certification (8005)

### Certify Fixed

#### Capital Expenditures (8010)

Enter the total amount of Uniendo a Puerto Rico Stage 2 fixed support, if any, the carrier used for capital expenditures.

\$x.xx

#### Available Funds Certification (8011)

Certify (either yes or no) regarding whether the recipient has available funds for all project costs that will exceed the amount of support that will be received for the next calendar year. This certification must be provided starting the first July 1 after receiving support until the recipient's penultimate year of support.

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Yes

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No

#### Community Anchor Institutions (8012A)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

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Yes - Attach New Community Anchors

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No - No New Community Anchors

#### Please Provide Attachment (8012B)

Using link, download template and list the number, name and address for each community anchor institution. As required by 47 CFR Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(A), attach the document which contains the community anchor institution details.

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**FCC Form 470 Postings (8013)**

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☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

**Post-Final Deployment Milestone Performance Certification (8014)**

Starting the first July 1 after meeting the final service milestone, certify (yes or no) that the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Stage 2-funded network that the Stage 2 recipient operated in the prior year meets the relevant performance requirements in Section 54.309.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

**Support Reimbursement Certification (8020)**

54.313(n): Recipients of Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund Stage 2 fixed support shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are (or will be) reimbursed by other sources of support, including of federal or local government aid or insurance reimbursements; and that support was not used for other purposes, such as the retirement of company debt unrelated to eligible expenditures, or other expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund.

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Disaster Preparedness and Response Documentation (8030)**

54.313(n): Recipients of fixed support from Stage 2 of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund shall certify that they have conducted an annual review of the documentation required by section 54.1515(a)-(c) to determine the need for and to implement changes or revisions to disaster preparation and recovery documentation.

☐ Yes ☐ No

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## Certify Mobile

### Support Reimbursement (8040)

54.313(n): Recipients of Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund Stage 2 mobile support shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are (or will be) reimbursed by other sources of support, including of federal or local government aid or insurance reimbursements; and that support was not used for other purposes, such as the retirement of company debt unrelated to eligible expenditures, or other expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund.

☐ Yes ☐ No

### Disaster Preparedness and Response Documentation (8050)

54.313(n): Recipients of mobile support from Stage 2 of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund shall certify that they have conducted an annual review of the documentation required by section 54.1515(a)-(c) to determine the need for and to implement changes or revisions to disaster preparation and recovery documentation.

☐ Yes ☐ No

### Mobile Disbursements Certification (8060)

54.313(o): Recipients of Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund Stage 2 mobile support shall certify that they are in compliance with all requirements for receipt of such support to continue receiving Stage 2 mobile disbursements.

☐ Yes ☐ No

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**Transitional Support (8070)**

Recipients of transitional support under Section 54.1516 shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are or will be reimbursed by other sources of support, or expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund. Transitional support recipients shall certify that they have conducted an annual review to determine that their disaster preparation and recovery documentation is up to date, as required by Section 54.1515(a) through (c) or Section 54.1524. Answer yes or no if carrier is compliant with 54.313(q).

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Yes

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No

**Spending Plans for Recipients of Legacy Frozen Phase-Down Support (8080)**

For annual reports due in 2024, 2025, and 2026, recipients of frozen high-cost support under Section 54.1504(b) shall certify that such support received after June 1, 2023 was used for resiliency and redundancy measures and to maintain their voice and broadband network footprint.

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Yes

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No

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## Connect USVI Fixed and Mobile Funds Certification (9005)

### Certify Fixed

#### Capital Expenditures (9010)

Enter the total amount of Connect USVI Fund Stage 2 fixed support, if any, the carrier used for capital expenditures.

\$x.xx

#### Available Funds Certification (9011)

Certify (either yes or no) regarding whether the recipient has available funds for all project costs that will exceed the amount of support that will be received for the next calendar year. This certification must be provided starting the first July 1 after receiving support until the recipient's penultimate year of support.

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Yes

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No

#### Community Anchor Institutions (9012A)

Indicate if the carrier newly deployed broadband service to community anchor institution(s) in the previous calendar year.

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Yes - Attach New Community Anchors

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No - No New Community Anchors

#### Please Provide Attachment (9012B)

Using link, download template and list the number, name and address for each community anchor institution. As required by 47 CFR Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(A), attach the document which contains the community anchor institution details.

[Community Anchor Template](#)

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**FCC Form 470 Postings (9013)**

For the filing due July 1 following full implementation of this requirement answer yes, no, or not applicable to this certification request.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

**Post-Final Deployment Milestone Performance Certification (9014)**

Starting the first July 1 after meeting the final service milestone, certify (yes or no) that the Connect USVI Fund Stage 2-funded network that the Stage 2 recipient operated in the prior year meets the relevant performance requirements in Section 54.309.

☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable

**Support Reimbursement Certification (9020)**

54.313(n): Recipients of Connect USVI Fund Stage 2 fixed support shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are (or will be) reimbursed by other sources of support, including of federal or local government aid or insurance reimbursements; and that support was not used for other purposes, such as the retirement of company debt unrelated to eligible expenditures, or other expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Connect USVI Fund.

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Disaster Preparedness and Response Documentation (9030)**

54.313(n): Recipients of fixed support from Stage 2 of the Connect USVI Fund shall certify that they have conducted an annual review of the documentation required by section 54.1515(a)-(c) to determine the need for and to implement changes or revisions to disaster preparation and recovery documentation.

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Certify Mobile**

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**Support Reimbursement (9040)**

54.313(n): Recipients of Connect USVI Fund Stage 2 mobile support shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are (or will be) reimbursed by other sources of support, including of federal or local government aid or insurance reimbursements; and that support was not used for other purposes, such as the retirement of company debt unrelated to eligible expenditures, or other expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Connect USVI Fund.

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Disaster Preparedness and Response Documentation (9050)**

54.313(n): Recipients of mobile support from Stage 2 of the Connect USVI Fund shall certify that they have conducted an annual review of the documentation required by Section 54.1515(a)-(c) to determine the need for and to implement changes or revisions to disaster preparation and recovery documentation.

☐ Yes ☐ No

**Mobile Disbursements Certification (9060)**

54.313(o): Recipients of Connect USVI Fund Stage 2 mobile support shall certify that they are in compliance with all requirements for receipt of such support to continue receiving Stage 2 mobile disbursements.

☐ Yes ☐ No

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**Transitional Support (9070)**

Recipients of transitional support under Section 54.1516 shall certify that such support was not used for costs that are or will be reimbursed by other sources of support, or expenses not directly related to network restoration, hardening, and expansion consistent with the framework of the Connect USVI Fund. Transitional support recipients shall certify that they have conducted an annual review to determine that their disaster preparation and recovery documentation is up to date, as required by Section 54.1515(a) through (c) or Section 54.1524. Answer yes or no if carrier is compliant with 54.313(q).

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Yes

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No

**Spending Plans for Recipients of Legacy Frozen Phase-Down Support (9080)**

For annual reports due in 2024, 2025, and 2026, recipients of frozen high-cost support under Section 54.1504(b) shall certify that such support received after June 1, 2023 was used for resiliency and redundancy measures and to maintain their voice and broadband network footprint.

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Yes

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No

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## Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Reporting (10005)

### Certify RDOF

#### Capital Expenditures (10010)

Starting the first July 1 after receiving support until the July 1 after the recipient's support term has ended, recipients of Rural Digital Opportunity Fund support must submit the total amount of support, if any, the recipient used for capital expenditures in the previous calendar year. This is required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(B).

\$x.xx

#### Available Funds Certification (10011)

Please provide a response (either yes or no) to this certification request for any recipient of Rural Digital Opportunity Fund support that the recipient has available funds for all project costs that will exceed the amount of support that will be received for the next calendar year. This certification must be provided starting the first July 1 after receiving support until the recipient's penultimate year of support, as required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(e)(2)(ii).

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Yes

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No

#### Community Anchor Institutions (10012A)

Recipients of Rural Digital Opportunity Fund support must attach a list containing the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which the eligible telecommunications carrier newly began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. This filing is required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(A).

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Yes - Attach New Community Anchors

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No - No New Community Anchors



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**Please Provide Attachment (10012B)**

Using link, download template and list the number, name and address for each community anchor institution. As required by 47 CFR Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(A), attach the document which contains the community anchor institution details.

[Community Anchor Template](#) 

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**FCC Form 470 Postings (10013)**

For the filing due July 1st following full implementation of this requirement, please provide a response (either yes, no, or not applicable) to this certification request. Recipients of Rural Digital Opportunity Fund must respond affirmatively that they bid on category one telecommunications and Internet access services in response to all FCC Form 470 postings seeking broadband service that meets the connectivity targets for the schools and libraries universal service support program for eligible schools and libraries (as described in Section 54.501) located within any area in a census block where the carrier is receiving Rural Digital Opportunity Fund, and that such bids were at rates reasonable comparable to rates charged to eligible schools and libraries in urban areas for Instructions for Completing FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986 (High-Cost) OMB Control No. 3060-0819 (Low-Income) November 2020 Page 44 comparable offerings. This filing is required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(e)(2)(i)(C). This certification will not be required until the July 1st following the E-Rate program year that this obligation has been fully implemented. Modernizing the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries et al., WC Docket. Nos. 13-184, 10-90, 29 FCC Rcd 15538, 15566-67, para. 72 (2014).

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Yes

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No

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Not Applicable

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Post-Final Deployment Milestone Performance Certification (10014)

Starting the first July 1st after a Rural Digital Opportunity Fund recipient meets its final service milestone until the July 1st after the support recipient's support term has ended, please provide a response (either yes, no, or not applicable) that the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund-funded network that the support recipient operated in the prior year meets the relevant performance requirements in 47 C.F.R. Section 54.309. This filing is required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.313(e)(2)(iii).

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Yes

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No

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Not Applicable

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## Certifications

### Supply Chain Certifications

#### Section 54.9: Prohibition on the Use of Funds

I certify under penalty of perjury that no universal service support has been or will be used to purchase, obtain, maintain, improve, or otherwise support any equipment or services produced or provided by any company designated by the Federal Communications Commission as posing a national security threat to the integrity of communications networks or the communications supply chain since the effective date of the designations.

If **No** is selected, a waiver is required for each SAC which is not certified.



Yes



No

#### Upload Waiver Document

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#### Section 54.10: Prohibition on the Use of Certain Federal Subsidies

I certify that no federal subsidy made available through a program administered by the Commission that provides funds to be used for the capital expenditures necessary for the provision of advanced communications services has been or will be used to purchase, rent, lease, or otherwise obtain, any covered communications equipment or service, or maintain any covered communications equipment or service previously purchased, rented, leased, otherwise obtained, as required by 47 C.F.R. Section 54.10.

If **No** is selected, a waiver is required for each SAC which is not certified.



Yes



No

#### Upload Waiver Document

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## Section 54.11: Requirements to Remove and Replace

Prior to answering, review section 54.11 of the Commission's rules (47 CFR Section 54.11). Answer Yes if either (1) you comply with section 54.11(a), meaning you do not use covered communications equipment or services, or (2) section 54.11(d) applies to you, meaning you are not yet subject to section 54.11(a) because you are a Reimbursement Program recipient with an unexpired removal, replacement, and disposal term per section 1.50004(h) of the Commission's rules (47 CFR Section 1.50004(h)). Answer No if you do not comply with section 54.11(a), meaning you do use covered communications equipment or services.



Yes



No

## Accuracy Certifications

### Certify



I 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.



I understand that making willful false statements in any part of this report and/or in these certifications is punishable by fine or imprisonment pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Sections 416(c), 503(b)(1)(B), and 18 U.S.C. Section 1001.

### Signature

Officer Name

Doug McDaniel

Title

Chief Revenue Officer



I understand this is a digital signature, and is the same as if I signed my name with a pen.

**Global Connection Inc. of America d/b/a  
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Lifeline Rate Plans

Terms & Conditions maintained at [www.StandUpWireless.com](http://www.StandUpWireless.com)

**EFFECTIVE 6/21/2024**

	<b>LIFELINE PLANS</b>	<b>VOICE</b>	<b>TEXT (SMS)</b>	<b>DATA High Speed</b>	<b>LIFELINE PRICE</b>
1	Lifeline-Only Broadband \$25	1,000	Unlimited	4.5 GB	\$0.00
2	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 5 GB of High Speed Data \$30	Unlimited	Unlimited	5 GB	\$20.00*
3	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 10 GB of High Speed Data \$40	Unlimited	Unlimited	10 GB	\$30.00*
4	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 12 GB of High Speed Data \$50	Unlimited	Unlimited	12 GB	\$40.00*
5	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 16 GB of High Speed Data \$60	Unlimited	Unlimited	16 GB	\$50.00*
6	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 25 GB of High Speed Data \$75	Unlimited	Unlimited	25 GB	\$65.00*
7	Unlimited Talk, Text & Data† with 60 GB of High Speed Data \$110	Unlimited	Unlimited	60 GB	\$100.00*

\*Reflects application of Lifeline and any company discount.

†All unlimited mobile data plans include a minimum of 5 GB of high-speed data, the next 20 GBs at 25 kbps and remaining data at 64 kbps. Unlimited Talk, unlimited text, and unlimited mobile data subject to Acceptable Use Policy. All services are subject to Terms and Conditions of Service and Agreement to Arbitrate Disputes. 5G and 4G LTE service availability is subject to network and environmental factors, as well as your location and device. See [Broadband Transparency Disclosure](#) for details. Service availability is limited. Click here for [Service Availability](#), [Network Coverage Map](#), and [full Terms and Conditions](#).

<b>ADDITIONAL AIRTIME "TOP-UPS"</b>	<b>VOICE</b>	<b>TEXT (SMS)</b>	<b>DATA</b>
\$5.00	500	500	500 MB
\$5.00	None	None	1 GB
\$5.00	250	250	250 MB
\$10.00	None	None	1.5 GB
\$10.00	Unlimited	Unlimited	1 GB
\$20.00	Unlimited	Unlimited	3 GB
\$30.00	Unlimited	Unlimited	8 GB

Top-Ups expire after 30 days

**Exhibit C**

**Support for Attachment 5, Service Quality and Emergency Functionality Certifications**

### **Service Quality and Consumer Protection**

The Company is committed to satisfying all applicable state and federal requirements related to consumer protection and service quality standards.

The Company complies with the Cellular Telecommunications and Internet Association's (CTIA) Consumer Code for Wireless Service.

1. Disclose Rates and Terms of Service – These are fully disclosed in advertising as well as on the Company's website.
2. Make Coverage Maps Available – Coverage maps are available on the Company's website.
3. Provide contract terms – the Company does not employ contracts.
4. Allow a trial service – Since Lifeline customers receive free service, there is no commitment to the service on their part. If the service does not suit their needs, they can cancel service at any time without penalty.
5. Provide Specific Disclosure in advertising – All Company advertising, including its website, fully discloses charges and service parameters.
6. Separately Identify Carrier Charges from Tax on Billing Statements – the Company does not render billing statements to its prepaid customers, but for every transaction they make, service charges vs. taxes are fully described.
7. Provide Customers with the Right to Terminate Service Upon Changes to Their Contract – As mentioned, we don't employ contracts so this provision does not apply. Customers can, however, cancel service at any time without penalty.
8. Provide Ready Access to Customer Service – Customers can call customer service for free by dialing 611 or an 800 number. These numbers are disclosed on the Company's website and in advertising and customer welcome materials.
9. Promptly Respond to Customer Inquiries and Complaints from Government Agencies – We promptly respond to all complaints. If a customer care representative cannot help a customer, we have an escalation process. The Company is committed to resolving customer questions, concerns and complaints in a swift and satisfactory manner.
10. Privacy Policy – The Company protects the privacy of customer information in accordance with applicable federal and state laws. Our privacy policy is available, via link, on every page of the Company's website.
11. Provide Consumers with Free Notifications for Voice, Data and Messaging Usage, and International Roaming – Because the Company's service is prepaid, customers are not able to incur overage charges. However, the Company provides, at no charge, (a) a notification to consumers of domestic wireless plans that include limited data allowances when consumers approach their allowance for data usage; (b) a notification to consumers of domestic voice and messaging plans that include limited voice and messaging allowances when consumers approach their allowance for those services; and (c) a notification to consumers without an international roaming plan/package whose devices have registered abroad and who may incur charges for international usage. The Company also clearly and conspicuously discloses tools or services that enable consumers to track, monitor and/or set limits on voice, messaging and data usage.



12. Abide by the following principles regarding the ability of customers, former customers, and individual owners of eligible devices to unlock phones and tablets, ("mobile wireless devices") that are locked by or at the direction of the carrier –

- (1) Disclosure. The Company has posted on its website its clear, concise, and readily accessible policy on postpaid and/or prepaid mobile wireless device unlocking.
- (2) Postpaid Unlocking Policy. Not Applicable.
- (3) Prepaid Unlocking Policy. Upon request, the Company will unlock prepaid mobile wireless devices no later than one year after initial activation, consistent with reasonable time, payment or usage requirements.
- (4) Notice. The Company will clearly notify customers that their devices are eligible for unlocking at the time when their devices are eligible for unlocking or automatically unlock devices remotely when devices are eligible for unlocking, without additional fee. The Company reserves the right to charge non-customers/nonformer-customers with a reasonable fee for unlocking requests. Notice to prepaid customers may occur at point of sale, at the time of eligibility, or through a clear and concise statement of policy on the Company's website.
- (5) Response Time. Within two business days after receiving a request, the Company will unlock eligible mobile wireless devices or initiate a request to the OEM to unlock the eligible device, or provide an explanation of why the device does not qualify for unlocking, or why the carrier reasonably needs additional time to process the request.
- (6) Deployed Personnel Unlocking Policy. The Company will unlock mobile wireless devices for deployed military personnel who are customers in good standing upon provision of deployment papers.

The Company reserves the right to decline an unlock request if it has a reasonable basis to believe the request is fraudulent or the device is stolen.

### **Functionality in Emergency Situations**

As a reseller, the Company relies upon its underlying facilities-based carriers for functionality in emergency situations. Pursuant to existing agreements, the Company obtains from its underlying facilities-based carrier (i.e. T-Mobile) the network infrastructure and wireless transmission facilities to allow the Company to operate as a Mobile Virtual Network Operator ("MVNO"). Through these agreements, the Company provides to its customers the same ability to remain functional in emergency situations as currently provided by the underlying carriers to their own customers. These Tier I underlying carriers have redundancies, back-up generator power and an extensive disaster recovery program, as well as reasonable amounts of back-up power and the ability to reroute traffic around damaged facilities and manage traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations. As an MVNO, these capabilities benefit Stand UP Wireless customers.