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TOWNES TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CORPORATION

January 21, 2014

Office of Commission Clerk
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re: Northeast Florida Telephone Company
2013 FCC Form 555 – Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification
Form

Dear Commission Clerk:

Northeast Florida Telephone Company submits the attached 2013 Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form – FCC Form 555 in compliance with FCC Rule §54.416(b) that requires eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) to submit a copy of the results of their annual Lifeline re-certification efforts to the state commission for subscribers residing in the state where the state commission designated the company as an ETC. As per direction from Commission Staff, please place this in the undocketed file.

Please contact me at 904-688-0029 or by email at dnobles@townes.net should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

s/ Deborah Nobles

Vice President of Regulatory Affairs

Attachment – FCC Form 555 due 1/31/14

Annual Lifeline Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Certification Form

All carriers must complete all or portions of all sections
Form must be submitted to USAC and filed with the Federal Communications Commission

IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

Deadline: January 31st (Annually)

FL

State

(An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a certification form for each state in which it provides Lifeline service).

210335

Northeast Florida Telephone Company

Study Area Code(s) (SAC)

ETC Name(s)

Townes Tele-Communications, Inc.

NEFCOM

Holding Company Name(s)

DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name(s)

Affiliated ETCs (include names and SACs, attach additional sheets if necessary)	-See Attached Sheet-
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Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC. Affiliation shall be determined in accordance with section 3(2) of the Communications Act. That Section defines "affiliate" as "a person that (directly or indirectly) owns or controls, is owned or controlled by, or is under common ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47 C.F.R. § 76.1200.

For purposes of this filing, an officer is an occupant of a position listed in the article of incorporation, articles of formation, or other similar legal document. An officer is a person who occupies a position specified in the corporate by-laws (or partnership agreement), and would typically be president, vice president for operations, vice president for finance, comptroller, treasurer, or a comparable position. If the filer is a sole proprietorship, the owner must sign the certification

Section 1: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 1- Initial Certification

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place either to:

- A) Review income and program-based eligibility documentation prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company was presented with documentation of each consumer's household income and/or program-based eligibility prior to his or her enrollment in Lifeline or
- B) Confirm consumer eligibility by relying upon access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator prior to enrolling a consumer in the Lifeline program.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** DN

Section 2: All ETCs MUST COMPLETE SECTION 2- Annual Recertification

Do not leave empty columns. If an ETC has nothing to report in a column, enter a zero.

A	B	C
Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year	Number of Lines Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to Wireline Resellers	Number of Subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497 that were initially enrolled in current Form 555 calendar year
653	0	57

Initial the certifications below that apply to your ETC and complete the tables corresponding to the certification below. Depending on the state, BOTH CERTIFICATION A AND B MAY APPLY.

- A) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify the continued eligibility of all of its Lifeline subscribers, and that, to the best of my knowledge, the company obtained signed certifications from all subscribers attesting to their continuing eligibility for Lifeline. Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** DN

D	E	F =D-E	G	H = (F+G)	I
Number of Subscribers ETC Contacted Directly to Recertify Eligibility Through Attestation	Number of Subscribers Responding to ETC Contact	Number of Non-Responding Subscribers	Number of Subscribers Responding That They Are No Longer Eligible	Number of Subscribers De-enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility	Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt
522	348	174	18	192	74

AND/OR

In the space below, please list the program eligibility data sources, such as ETC access to a state database and/or notice of eligibility from the state Lifeline administrator or the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and indicate for which qualifying programs (e.g., SNAP, SSI) these sources are used to verify subscriber eligibility. If any of subscribers are subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in columns D through I as appropriate and not in columns J through L.

- B) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to re-certify consumer eligibility by relying on _____ . Results are provided in the chart below. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** _____

J	K	L
Number of Subscribers Whose Eligibility was Reviewed By State Administrator ETC Access to Eligibility Data or by USAC	Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Finding of Ineligibility by State Administrator, ETC Access to Eligibility Data or USAC	Number of Subscribers Who De-Enrolled Prior to Recertification Attempt
0	0	0

OR

- C) I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for any Lifeline subscribers for the February Form 497 data month for the current Form 555 calendar year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above. **Initial** _____

Section 3: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SECTION 3 –De-enroll percentage
What is the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC?

M	N	O	P = N + O	Q = ((P ÷ M) * 100)
Number of Subscribers Claimed on February FCC Form(s) 497 <i>(From Column A)</i>	Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of Non-Response or Ineligibility <i>(From Column H)</i>	Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled as a Result of a Finding of Ineligibility <i>(From Column K)</i>	Total Number of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled	Percentage of Subscribers De-Enrolled or Scheduled to be De-Enrolled that were Claimed on the February FCC Form(s) 497
653	192	0	192	29%

Section 4: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE APPROPRIATE CHECK BOX; PRE-PAID ETCS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF SECTION 4

Is the ETC Pre-Paid?

Yes No *(A Pre-Paid ETC does not assess or collect a monthly fee from its Lifeline subscribers)*

If yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in column S below.

Non-Usage Results Applicable to Pre-Paid ETCS:

R	S
Month	Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage
January	
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	
December	

Signature Block: ALL ETCS MUST COMPLETE SIGNATURE FIELDS

By signing below, I certify that the company listed above is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the Study Area(s) listed above.

Signed,

Deborah Nobles
Signature of Officer
Vice President of Regulatory Affairs
Title of Officer
Deborah Nobles
Person Completing this Certification Form

Deborah Nobles
Printed Name of Officer
Jan-20-14
Date
904-688-0029
Contact Phone Number

