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Please see the attached Lifeline Reseller Data Request responses for Bellerud Communications, LLC. Thank you.

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RE: Bellerud Communications, LLC Certificate No. 7563

Dear Ms. Salak:

Pursuant to your letter dated February 1, 2010, enclosed please find original Lifeline Reseller Data Request responses for Bellerud Communications, LLC.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to call me. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Lance J.M. Steinhart, Esq.

Attorney for Bellerud Communications, LLC

Enclosures

cc: Rene Bellerud

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General Data Requests for Certificate No. 7563

1. How many total customers did your company serve in Florida 2009? Please list the number served for each month in 2009, and breakdown by business and residential customers.

RESPONSE: Total amount of customers (all residential) for 2009 were 305.

January: 16 customers
February: 13 customers
March: 13 customers
April: 57 customers
May: 50 customers
June: 34 customers
December: 44 customers

2. How many Lifeline customers did your company serve in 2009 using resale Lifeline lines? Please list the number served for each month in 2009.

RESPONSE: Bellerud Communications served 252 Lifeline customers in 2009.

January: 8 customers
February: 8 customers
March: 8 customers
April: 48 customers
May: 43 customers
June: 30 customers

July: 16 customers
August: 14 customers
October: 7 customers
November: 19 customers
December: 37 customers

3. Please list the number of each underlying carrier your company uses to purchase resale Lifeline lines and the number of resale Lifeline lines purchased from each underlying carrier for each month in 2009.

RESPONSE: AT&T - 252/ Verizon -0-

4. What is the amount of monthly credit provided to each Lifeline customers served by your company?

RESPONSE: \$13.50

5. Please provide a copy of your company's annual verification procedures for verifying continued eligibility of Lifeline customers.

RESPONSE: See attachment

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6. Please provide a copy of your company's Link-Up and Lifeline application which consumers use to enroll in the programs.

RESPONSE: Please see the attached copy of the application for enrollment.

7. Please provide a copy of a sample Lifeline customer bill showing monthly charges made by your company.

RESPONSE: Please see the attached copy of a Lifeline customer bill.

8. Does your company charge a local number portability fee to Lifeline customers? If so, how much?

RESPONSE: No.

9. Does your company charge a universal service charge to Lifeline customers? If so, how much?

RESPONSE: No.

10. Does your company enroll Link-Up and Lifeline customers using income criteria? If so, what percentage is used of Federal Poverty Guidelines (135% or 150%) to determine qualification?

RESPONSE: Yes / 150%

11. Does your company charge a hook-up fee for Lifeline customers? If so, what is the amount? Can they pay the hook-up fees over a period of time? If so, how long a period of time?

RESPONSE: No.

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12. Does your company resell Link-Up from your underlying carrier(s)?

RESPONSE: Yes.

13. Please provide your company's procedures regarding preservation of Lifeline customer records.

RESPONSE: The subscriber records are retained in a filing cabinet that is locked that only our general manager and Lifeline Manager have keys to. Once the certification form is received it is documented in our system and then filed into the cabinets within our offices in the lifeline department. These records are maintained for a minimum of 3 years after the life of the subscriber has ended.

14. Please provide the location of your company's Lifeline records.

RESPONSE: The location of Bellerud's Lifeline records is: 401-B West Montgomery St. Willis Texas 77378.

Annual Lifeline Certification and Verification Guidelines

Each year, eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) are required to verify the continued eligibility of a statistically valid sample of their Lifeline subscribers in all federal default states, and in non-federal default states that require this process.

I. Annual certification and verification procedures for Default States and Non-Default States that adhere to the FCC sampling guidelines outlined by USAC.

Federal Default States are as follows: Delaware, Hawaii, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, New Hampshire, American Samoa, and Northern Mariana Islands

Non-Federal Default States that adhere to the FCC sampling guidelines for annual certification/verification are as follows: Alabama, Florida, and South Carolina (The list is in process and will be updated as states are confirmed as adhering to the same sampling process created by the FCC.)

1. Sampling Process:

- Starting: June 1st of each year
- The sampling process entails documenting proof of the customer's current enrollment in a qualifying government assistance program and recertification through the completion of self-certification form. We recommend obtaining a certified "award letter" from the end user's case worker, via email or fax.
- The results of the annual certification/verification survey must be reported on the Annual Lifeline Certification and Verification Letter and submitted to USAC by August 31st of each year.

2. Instructions for completing the Annual Lifeline Certification and Verification Letter:

- Section 1 will need to be checked and columns A through E completed.
- All filings must be signed by an officer of the ETC with correct contact information provided in the designated fields.
- Please return all completed Letters to: Pamela Gallant, Director of Low Income Programs, USAC, 2000 L Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036. Or email to: pgallant@universalservice.org.

II. Annual certification and verification procedures for Non-Default States that have their own sampling guidelines and/or reporting not outlined by USAC.

Non-Federal Default States that adhere to their own sampling guidelines and/or reporting guidelines are as follows: North Carolina, Kentucky, Oklahoma, and Michigan (The list is in process and will be updated as states are confirmed as having their own sampling and/or reporting process.)

1. Sampling/Reporting Process:

 In addition to any state-specific requirements, you must complete the USAC Annual Lifeline Certification and Verification Letter for each Non-Default State where Lifeline subsidies were obtained and passed to eligible customers.
 The form must be submitted to USAC by August 31st, each year.

2. Instructions for completing the Annual Lifeline Certification and Verification Letter:

- Section 2 will need to be checked and columns A through C completed.
- All filings must be signed by an officer of the ETC with correct contact information provided in the designated fields.
- Please return all completed Letters to: Pamela Gallant, Director of Low Income Programs, USAC, 2000 L Street NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036. Or email to: pgallant@universalservice.org.

FLORIDA Lifeline / Link-up Application

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	☐ I or another member of my household previously (Note: You may not receive Link Up assistance mo				ress.	
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2. Select Your Box	D I currently participate in or receive benefits from	one of the	e following programs (Check All That	Apply):	
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	☐ Federal Public Housing Assistance (Section 8)		Senior Citizen Low-Incom	e Discount Plan		
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Don't Lose Your Lifeline Discount

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If you requested to receive a discounted home telephone service rate through the federal subsidized program called Lifeline, you must fill out the certification form included with this invoice and return it to us. If you do not, your account will be switched to the Non-Lifeline plan at a higher monthly rate. YOU WILL LOSE YOUR SAVINGS!

If you receive Federal or State Government Assistance such as Food Stamps, you qualify for Lifeline. Go to lifeline.gov for more information!

Don't Dial 411!

or FREE Directory Assistance Please Diat 1.800.466.4411

Got Service or Billing Inquiries? Call Customer Service 800.797.3547

Easy Ways To Pay!

OPTION 1: Credit / Debit - Mail in Stub Below OPTION 2: Onliste - www.betunedcommis OPTION 3: Moneygram - Use Receive Code: 2296 Also Include Account II.

OPTION 4: WesternUnion "Code City HomeProne

What is Toll Limitation Service Support (TLS)?

Toll Limitation Service (TLS) support allows eligible consumers to choose Toll Blocking or Toll Control services at no cost. Consumers who wish to avoid incurring large long distance charges can choose either Toll Blocking, which prevents callers from placing any long distance calls, or Toll Control, which limits long distance calls to a pre-set amount selected by the consumer. The service deposit for providing local telephone service is waived if a consumer voluntarily elects Toll Blocking.

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