

Northeast Florida Telephone Company
Lifeline Work Group Meeting
Supplemental Post-Workshop Comments

April 17, 2014

Northeast Florida Telephone Company (NEFCOM) provided its initial written comments to the December 5, 2013 Lifeline Work Group Meeting on January 15, 2014. At the time the comments were submitted, NEFCOM had obtained some very preliminary estimates to outsource the programming needed to establish a machine-to-machine interface with DCF. Those preliminary estimates ranged from \$7,500 to \$10,000 to set up the interface.

NEFCOM has now obtained a more detailed estimate of the costs to interface with DCF that indicate NEFCOM would be required to spend \$36,290 on the initial analysis, code development, code refactoring, unit test, integration testing, deployment/support and documentation. This would be in addition to the \$3,500 needed for hardware.

NEFCOM continues to urge the Florida Public Service Commission to explore more cost effective options for small ETCs to obtain the information from DCF to verify a Lifeline applicant's eligibility or to recertify their continued eligibility.