## **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 31 <sup>st</sup> (Annually)		
522453		
Study Area Code (SAC) (An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provi	ide a certification form for <b>each SAC</b> through which it provides Lifeline service).	
WA	Ycom Networks Inc.	
State	ETC Name	
FairPoint Communications	FairPoint Communications	
DBA, Marketing or Other Branding Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)	Holding Company Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do not leave blank)	
	Cs? Yes No No Security No No Security No Security No No Security No. 10 No No No No. 10 No. 1	
, , ,	non ownership or control with, another person." 47 U.S.C. § 153(2). See also 47	
Affiliated ETC's SAC	Affiliated ETC's Name	
See attached worksheet		

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: Initial Certification** *All ETCs must complete this section*

I certify that the company listed above has certification procedures in place 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; and/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 Code listed above.

Initial	PM

## **Section 2:** Annual Recertification

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

A	В	C	D	$\mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B} - \mathbf{C} - \mathbf{D})$
Number of subscribers claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year (February data month)	Number of lines claimed on February FCC Form 497 of current Form 555 calendar year provided to wireline resellers	Number of subscribers claimed on the February FCC Form 497 that were initially enrolled in the current Form 555 calendar year  (These subscribers did not have Lifeline service prior to January 1 of the current 555 calendar year.)	Number of subscribers de-enrolled <u>prior</u> to recertification attempt by either the ETC, a state administrator, access to an eligibility database, or by USAC	Number of subscribers ETC is responsible for recertifying for current Form 555 calendar year
107	0	0	20	87

## **Recertification Results:**

F	G	$\mathbf{H} = (\mathbf{F} \cdot \mathbf{G})$	I	$\mathbf{J} = (\mathbf{H} + \mathbf{I})$
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  (This should be a subset of Block G.)	Number of subscribers de- enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of non-response or response of ineligibility from ETC recertification attempt
87	60	27	0	27

K	L
Number of subscribers whose eligibility was reviewed by state administrator, ETC access to eligibility database, 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 database, or USAC
0	0

**Note:** If any subscriber was reviewed by an ETC accessing a state database or by a state administrator and subsequently contacted directly by the ETC in an attempt to recertify eligibility, those subscribers should be listed in Blocks F through J as appropriate and not in Blocks K and L. As a result, all subscribers subject to recertification who were not de-enrolled prior to the recertification attempt must be accounted for in Block F or Block K.

The total of Block F and Block K should equal the number reported in Block E.

## **Certification:**

Based on the data entered above, initial the certification(s) below that apply. Both Certification A and B may apply depending on the recertification procedures in place for the SAC reporting on this form. If Certification C applies, neither Certification A nor 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 above in Blocks F through J. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

Initial PM

#### AND/OR

<b>B.</b> ) I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify consumer eligibility by relying on:		
	Results are provided in the chart above in	
	Blocks K through L. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the	
	SAC listed above.	
	Initial	

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 SAC listed above.

Initial

## **Section 3:** De-enroll Percentage

Using the data entered in Section 2, complete the chart below to find the percentage of subscribers de-enrolled for this ETC.

$\mathbf{M} = (\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{K})$	N = (J+L)	$\mathbf{O} = ((\mathbf{N} \div \mathbf{M}) * 100)$
Number of subscribers that the ETC attempted to recertify directly or through a state administrator, ETC access to a state database, or by USAC (This should equal the number reported in Block E)	Number of subscribers de- enrolled or scheduled to be de- enrolled as a result of non-response or ineligibility	Percentage of subscribers de-enrolled or scheduled to be de-enrolled as a result of ineligibility or non-response
87	27	31.04%

## **Section 4:** Pre-Paid ETCs

All ETCs must complete the appropriate check-box; pre-paid ETCs must complete all of Section 4. Pre-paid ETCs generally do not assess or collect a monthly fee from their Lifeline subscribers. ETCs that only assess a fee but do not collect such fees are pre-paid ETCs and must complete the chart below.

Is the ETC Pre-Paid?

Yes O

No 🗿

If Yes, record the number of subscribers de-enrolled for non-usage by month in Block Q below.

P	Q
Month	Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage
January	0
February	0
March	0
April	0
May	0
June	0
July	0
August	0
September	0
October	0
November	0
December	0
Total Subscribers	0

## Signature Block

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 Code (SAC) listed above.

Signed,
Certified Online
Signature of Officer
pmorse@fairpoint.com
Email Address of Officer
Jana Manterola
Person Completing This Certification Form

Pat Morse, Sr VP Governmental Affairs

Printed Name and Title of Officer
01/28/2016
Date
509-962-0272
Contact Phone Number

# **Affiliated ETCs**

SAC	Name
170145	Bentlevville Communications Corporation
150073	Berkshire Telephone Company
462192	Big Sandy Telecom
150078	Chautaucqua and Erie Telephone Corporation
100004	China Telephone Co.
431981	Chouteau Telephone Company
462204	Columbine Telecom Co. Columbine Acquisition Corp
300604	The Columbus Grove Telephone Company
341009	C-R Telephone Company
100015	Community Service Telephone Co
341004	El Paso Telephone Company
522412	Ellensburg Telephone Company
210291	GTC Inc.
421472	FairPoint Communications Missouri Inc.
300618	Germantown Independent Telephone Company
170185	Marianna Scenery Hill Telephone Company
103313	Northland Telephone Company of Maine Inc Sidney Tele
143331	FairPoint Vermont Inc (formerly dba Northland Tele Co of
341065	Odin Telephone Exchange
300649	Orwell Telephone Company
190244	Peoples Mutual Telephone Company
210329	GTC Inc.
210339	GTC Inc.
100025	Maine Telephone Co Standish Telephone Company
461835	Sunflower Telephone Company Inc.
411835	Bluestem Telephone Company, Sunflower Telephone Comi
150084	Taconic Telephone Corp
105111	Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC
145115	Telephone Operating Company of Vermont LLC
125113	Northern New England Telephone Operations LLC