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Ms. Jean Jewell, Secretary
Idaho Public Utilities Commission
472 W. Washington St.
Boise, ID 83702

RE: FCC Form 481

GNR-T-14-01

Dear Ms. Jewell:

Enclosed please find: 1) a copy of Fremont Telcom Co.' ("Fremont") 2014 FCC Form 481, submitted to the Universal Service Administration Corporation and the Federal Communications Commission pursuant to 47 CFR §54.313 and §54.422; and 2) Fremont's Affidavit supporting its designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier.

As part of its FCC Form 481, Fremont is submitting its five-year network build-out plan as well as detailed financial data. These items are trade secrets and proprietary pursuant to Idaho Code § 9-340D and are exempt from public disclosure. Accordingly, Fremont has sealed these in the enclosed envelope and printed them on yellow paper.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Sincerely,

Jason B. Williams
Vice President – General Counsel

State of Montana)
) ss
County of Missoula)

CERTIFICATION BY ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER OF COMPLIANCE WITH SERVICE QUALITY AND CUSTOMER PROTECTION, ABILITY TO REMAIN FUNCTIONAL IN EMERGENCIES, AND USE OF FEDERAL HIGH-COST SUPPORT.

AFFIDAVIT OF BUSINESS OR CORPORATE OFFICER

The Idaho Public Utilities Commission Order No. 29841requires that Eligible Telecommunications Carriers certify that it is compliant with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules; and ETCs must demonstrate the ability to remain functional in emergencies. In addition, the Commission must file an annual certification with the USAC and the FCC that all federal high-cost support provided to ETCs within the State of Idaho will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. Accordingly, the undersigned states and verifies under oath the following:

1. I am an officer of Fremont Telcom Co., an eligible telecommunications carrier for receiving federal universal service support under section 214(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 in the state of Idaho.

2. I am familiar with the Company's day-to-day operations in the state of Idaho and with the State's service quality standards and consumer protection rules as set forth in Commission Order No. 29841.

3. Fremont Telcom Co. is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules of the Federal Communications Commission and the Idaho Public Utilities Commission.

4. I certify to the Commission that the Company is able to remain functional in emergencies as set forth in Commission Order No. 29841 and in 47 C.F.R. § 54.201(a)(2).

5. I also certify that all federal universal service support funds received by Fremont Telcom Co. during the current calendar year will be used in a manner consistent with section 254(e); that is, for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. The company will continue to comply for the period of January 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, to be eligible for federal universal service fund support.

6. This verification and affidavit is provided to be the Idaho Public Utilities Commission to enable the IPUC to certify to the FCC that federal universal service support received by the eligible carriers in the state will be used in a manner consistent with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act.

CFO
Name/Title

6.20.14
Date

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 20th day of June 2014

Stephanie Burke
Notary Public for Missoula, MT, residing at Missoula, Montana
My Commission expires March 20, 2018

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State of Montana
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March 20, 2018.

FCC Form 481 - Carrier Annual Reporting Data Collection Form

FCC Form 481
OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819
July 2013

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ANNUAL REPORTING FOR ALL CARRIERS

(check box when complete)

			54.313 Completion Required	54.422 Completion Required
<100>	Service Quality Improvement Reporting	(complete attached worksheet)	✓	
<200>	Outage Reporting (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	✓	✓
<210>	✓ <-- check box if no outages to report		✓	
<300>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice)	0		
<310>	Detail on Attempts (voice)	(attach descriptive document)		
<320>	Unfulfilled Service Requests (broadband)	4	✓	
<330>	Detail on Attempts (broadband)	472222id330.pdf (attach descriptive document)	✓	
<400>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (voice)			
<410>	Fixed	0.0	✓	✓
<420>	Mobile	0.0		
<430>	Number of Complaints per 1,000 customers (broadband)		✓	
<440>	Fixed	0.0		
<450>	Mobile	0.0		
<500>	Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance	(check to indicate certification)	✓	✓
<510>	472222id510.pdf	(attached descriptive document)	✓	✓
<600>	Functionality in Emergency Situations	(check to indicate certification)		
<610>	472222id610.pdf	(attached descriptive document)	✓	✓
<700>	Company Price Offerings (voice)	(complete attached worksheet)	✓	
<710>	Company Price Offerings (broadband)	(complete attached worksheet)	✓	
<800>	Operating Companies and Affiliates	(complete attached worksheet)	✓	✓
<900>	Tribal Land Offerings (Y/N)? ○ ◉	(if yes, complete attached worksheet)	✓	
<1000>	Voice Services Rate Comparability	(check to indicate certification)	✓	
<1010>	472222mt1010.pdf	(attach descriptive document)	✓	
<1100>	Terrestrial Backhaul (Y/N)? ◉ ○	(if not, check to indicate certification)	✓	
<1110>		(complete attached worksheet)	✓	
<1200>	Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers	(complete attached worksheet)		✓

Price Cap Carriers, Proceed to Price Cap Additional Documentation Worksheet

Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

<2000>		(check to indicate certification)		
<2005>		(complete attached worksheet)		

Rate of Return Carriers, Proceed to ROR Additional Documentation Worksheet

<3000>		(check to indicate certification)	✓	
<3005>		(complete attached worksheet)	✓	

(100) Service Quality Improvement Reporting
Data Collection Form

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<110>	Has your company received its ETC certification from the FCC?	(yes / no) ○ ●
<111>	If your answer to Line <110> is yes, do you have an existing §54.202(a) "5 year plan" filed with the FCC?	(yes / no) ○ ○

If your answer to Line <111> is yes, then you are required to file a progress report, on line <112> delineating the status of your company's existing § 54.202(a) "5 year plan" on file with the FCC, as it relates to your provision of voice telephony service.

<112> Attach Five-Year Service Quality Improvement Plan or, in subsequent years, your annual progress report filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(a)(1). If your company is a CETC which only receives frozen support, your progress report is only required to address voice telephony service.

472222id112.pdf

Name of Attached Document

Please check these boxes below to confirm that the attached documents(s), on line 112, contains a progress report on its five-year service quality improvement plan pursuant to § 54.202(a). The information shall be submitted at the wire center level or census block as appropriate.

<113>	Maps detailing progress towards meeting plan targets	☐
<114>	Report how much universal service (USF) support was received	☐
<115>	How (USF) was used to improve service quality	☐
<116>	How (USF)was used to improve service coverage	☐
<117>	How (USF) was used to improve service capacity	☐
<118>	Provide an explanation of network improvement targets not met in the prior calendar year.	☐

(200) Service Outage Reporting (Voice)
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<220>

<a> NORS Reference Number	<b1> Outage Start Date	<b2> Outage Start Time	<b3> Outage End Date	<b4> Outage End Time	<c1> Number of Customers Affected	<c2> Total Number of Customers	<d> 911 Facilities Affected (Yes / No)	<e> Service Outage Description (Check all that apply)	<f> Did This Outage Affect Multiple Study Areas (Yes / No)	<g> Service Outage Resolution	<h> Preventative Procedures

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
Data Collection Form

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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2014
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

<703>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>	<b1>	<b2>	<b3>	<b4>	<b5>	<c>
State	Exchange (ILEC)	SAC (CETC)	Rate Type	Residential Local Service Rate	State Subscriber Line Charge	State Universal Service Fee	Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	Total per line Rates and Fees

-- See attached worksheet

(710) Broadband Price Offerings
Data Collection Form

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<711>

<a1>	<a2>	<b1>	<b2>	<c>	<d1>	<d2>	<d3>	<d4>
State	**Exchange (ILEC)**	**Residential Rate**	**State Regulated Fees**	**Total Rate and Fees**	**Broadband Service - Download Speed (Mbps)**	**Broadband Service - Upload Speed (Mbps)**	**Usage Allowance (GB)**	**Usage Allowance Action Taken When Limit Reached {*select*}**

-- See attached worksheet --

(800) Operating Companies
Data Collection Form

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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Fremont Telcom Co.
<811>	Holding Company	Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
<812>	Operating Company	n/a

<813>

<a1>	<a2>	<a3>
Affiliates	**SAC**	**Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation**

-- See attached worksheet --

(900) Tribal Lands Reporting
Data Collection Form

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

<920> Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

Name of Attached Document

If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached document(s), on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

		Select (Yes,No, NA)
<921>	Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions.	
<922>	Feasibility and sustainability planning;	
<923>	Marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner;	
<924>	Compliance with Rights of way processes	
<925>	Compliance with Land Use permitting requirements	
<926>	Compliance with Facilities Siting rules	
<927>	Compliance with Environmental Review processes	
<928>	Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes	
<929>	Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.	

(1100) No Terrestrial Backhaul Reporting Data Collection Form

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<1120> Please check this box to confirm no terrestrial backhaul options exist within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐

<1130> Please check this box to confirm the reporting carrier offers broadband service of at least 1 Mbps downstream and 256 kbps upstream within the supported area pursuant to § 54.313(G) ☐

(1200) Terms and Condition for Lifeline Customers
Lifeline
Data Collection Form

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<1210> Terms & Conditions of Voice Telephony Lifeline Plans

Name of Attached Document

<1220> Link to Public Website HTTP http://www.fremontsolutions.com/residential/

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

<1221> Information describing the terms and conditions of any voice telephony service plans offered to Lifeline subscribers, ☑

<1222> Details on the number of minutes provided as part of the plan, ☑

<1223> Additional charges for toll calls, and rates for each such plan. ☑

(2000) Price Cap Carrier Additional Documentation
Data Collection Form
Including Rate-of-Return Carriers affiliated with Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance as a recipient of Incremental Connect America Phase I support, 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(b),(c),(d),(e) the information reported on this form and in the documents attached below is accurate.

Incremental Connect America Phase I reporting

<2010> 2nd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(1)} ☐

<2011> 3rd Year Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(b)(2)} ☐

Price Cap Carrier Receiving Frozen Support Certification {47 CFR § 54.312(a)}

<2012> 2013 Frozen Support Certification ☐

<2013> 2014 Frozen Support Certification ☐

<2014> 2015 Frozen Support Certification ☐

<2015> 2016 and future Frozen Support Certification ☐

Price Cap Carrier Connect America ICC Support {47 CFR § 54.313(d)}

<2016> Certification Support Used to Build Broadband ☐

Connect America Phase II Reporting {47 CFR § 54.313(e)}

<2017> 3rd year Broadband Service Certification ☐

<2018> 5th year Broadband Service Certification ☐

<2019> Interim Progress Certification ☐

<2020> Please check the box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 2021, contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (e)(3)(ii), as a recipient of CAF Phase II support shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. ☐

<2021> Interim Progress Community Anchor Institutions

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3000) Rate Of Return Carrier Additional Documentation

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CHECK the boxes below to note compliance on its five year service quality plan (pursuant to 47 CFR § 54.202(a)) and, for privately held carriers, ensuring 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.

(3010) **Progress Report on 5 Year Plan**
Milestone Certification {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(i)}

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3011) Please check this box to confirm that the attached document(s), on line 3012 contains the required information pursuant to § 54.313 (f)(1)(ii), the carrier shall provide the number, names, and addresses of community anchor institutions to which began providing access to broadband service in the preceding calendar year. ☐

(3012) Community Anchor Institutions {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(1)(ii)}

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3013) Is your company a Privately Held ROR Carrier {47 CFR § 54.313(f)(2)} (Yes/No) ☒

(3014) If yes, does your company file the RUS annual report (Yes/No) ☒

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

(3015) Electronic copy of their annual RUS reports (Operating Report for Telecommunications Borrowers) ☐

(3016) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☐

(3017) If the response is yes on line 3014, attach your company's RUS annual report and all required documentation

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

(3018) If the response is no on line 3014, Is your company audited? (Yes/No) ☒

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

(3019) Either a copy of their audited financial statement; or (2) a financial report in a format comparable to RUS Operating Report for Telecommunications ☑

(3020) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows ☑

(3021) Management letter issued by the independent certified public accountant that performed the company's financial audit. ☑

If the response is no on line 3018, please check the boxes below to confirm your submission, on line 3026 pursuant to § 54.313(f)(2), contains:

(3022) 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, ☐

(3023) Underlying information subjected to a review by an independent certified public accountant ☐

(3024) Underlying information subjected to an officer certification. ☐

(3025) Document(s) for Balance Sheet, Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows

(3026) Attach the worksheet listing required information

472222id3026.xlsm, 472222mt3026a.pdf

Name of Attached Document Listing Required Information

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for the Annual Reporting for CAF or LI Recipients

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.

Name of Reporting Carrier: Fremont Telecom - RoR

Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE Date

Printed name of Authorized Officer: Michelle Norbeck

Title or position of Authorized Officer: Carrier & Regulatory Specialist

Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 4065415131 ext.

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 473333 Filing Due Date for this form: 06/30/2014

Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Certification - Agent / Carrier Data Collection Form	FCC Form 481 OMB Control No. 3060-0986/OMB Control No. 3060-0819 July 2013

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

Certification of Officer to Authorize an Agent to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier

I certify that (Name of Agent)_____ is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. I also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.

Name of Authorized Agent:

Name of Reporting Carrier:

Signature of Authorized Officer: Date:

Printed name of Authorized Officer:

Title or position of Authorized Officer:

Telephone number of Authorized Officer:

Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filing Due Date for this form:

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

Certification of Agent Authorized to File Annual Reports for CAF or LI Recipients on Behalf of Reporting Carrier

I, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.

Name of Reporting Carrier:

Name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:

Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: Date:

Printed name of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:

Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent

Telephone number of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:

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Study Area Code: 472222

5 year Build-out Plan – Subject to protection under rule or order not available for public inspection.

Unfulfilled Broadband Service Requests Resolution

June 2, 2014

Mike Suderman

Manager – OSP Engineer/Construction

Blackfoot Telecommunications Group

This document provides a high level description of the measures in place to resolve customer requests for broadband service that were unfulfilled in the prior calendar year.

Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (482235, 483308) and Fremont Telecom Co. dba Fremont Communications (472222) routinely replace digital loop carriers that are not capable of providing a minimum of 4 Mbps download and 1 Mbps upload to new loop carriers and provide Ethernet transport, where appropriate. Additionally, the companies deploy broadband accelerators in line that extend DSL or increase the speed to customers whose requests would otherwise be unfulfilled.

Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance

June 3, 2014

Michelle Norbeck

Carrier & Regulatory Specialist

Blackfoot Telecommunications Group

Blackfoot Telecommunications Group comprised of Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (SAC 482235 and 483308) and Fremont Telcom Co. (SAC 472222) has implemented a variety of service quality standards and consumer protection policies and procedures. This document provides a high level description of the measures in place to.

Service Quality

The companies comply with service quality standards by meeting all requirements in the Administrative Rules of Montana 38.5.3371 and Idaho Administrative Code I.D.A.P.A. 31.41.01.500, as well as, all applicable federal consumer protection rules.

Consumer Protection

The companies comply with consumer protection obligations by meeting requirements in Administrative Code I.D.A.P.A. 31.41.01, applicable consumer protection regulation in the state of Montana, as well as, all federal consumer protection rules. The companies general practice is to treat all information as if it were private, in addition CPNI and Red Flag policies and procedures are observed and trained on annually. CALEA obligations and processes are strictly adhered to. Noticing is undertaken annually in relation to do not call and call before you dig. Noticing of rate changes is provided to educate customers about changes appearing on their bills regardless of the jurisdiction or regulated nature of the service.

Functionality in Emergency Situations

June 3, 2014

Frank Creasia

VP Network Operations

Blackfoot Telecommunications Group

This document provides a high level description of the measures in place to provide functionality in Emergency situations in the 482235, 483308 and 472222 study areas.

Central Offices in all 3 study areas are equipped with backup generators in the event of commercial AC power failures. Fuel supplies for these generators are adequate for 24-36 hours of operation and back up batteries located in each central office provide an additional 6-8 hours of backup power.

All remote subscriber carrier locations are equipped with backup batteries that are capable of providing 8-12 hours of DC power in the event of a commercial AC power failure. We also maintain a pool of portable generators that are used to recharge these batteries if the AC power is not restored prior to the batteries being fully discharged.

Where practical, fiber optic cable routes that provide connectivity to a remote central office back to the host central office have diverse routes to insure uninterrupted operation in the event of a cable cut or failure. If diverse routes are not practical the remote central office is equipped with a “stand alone” function that insures uninterrupted operation within the remoter central office service area.

(700) Price Offerings including Voice Rate Data
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<701>	Residential Local Service Charge Effective Date	1/1/2014
<702>	Single State-wide Residential Local Service Charge	

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<a1> State	<a2> Exchange (ILEC)	<a3> SAC (CETC)	<b1> Rate Type	<b2> Residential Local Service Rate	<b3> State Subscriber Line Charge	<b4> State Universal Service Fee	<b5> Mandatory Extended Area Service Charge	<c> Total per line Rates and Fees
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ID	Ashton		FR	16.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	16.16
ID	Ashton		FR	14.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	14.16
ID	Island Park		FR	25.76	0.0	0.16	0.0	25.92
ID	Island Park		FR	16.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	16.16
ID	Island Park		FR	14.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	14.16
ID	St. Anthony		FR	25.76	0.0	0.16	0.0	25.92
ID	St. Anthony		FR	16.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	16.16
ID	St. Anthony		FR	14.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	14.16
ID	Teton		FR	25.76	0.0	0.16	0.0	25.92
ID	Teton		FR	16.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	16.16
ID	Teton		FR	14.0	0.0	0.16	0.0	14.16

(710) Broadband Price Offerings
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ID	All	27.6	0.0	27.6	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	29.22	0.0	29.22	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.384	0.128	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	29.95	0.0	29.95	0.768	0.128	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	31.27	0.0	31.27	1.5	0.384	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	31.27	0.0	31.27	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	34.95	0.0	34.95	2.0	0.768	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	34.95	0.0	34.95	0.768	0.128	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	36.49	0.0	36.49	1.5	0.384	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	36.49	0.0	36.49	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	36.95	0.0	36.95	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	39.17	0.0	39.17	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	39.95	0.0	39.95	2.0	0.768	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	41.95	0.0	41.95	12.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	44.95	0.0	44.95	1.5	0.384	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	44.95	0.0	44.95	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	46.95	0.0	46.95	12.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	49.95	0.0	49.95	12.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	50.23999999999	0.0	50.24	4.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation
ID	All	51.95	0.0	51.95	15.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation

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ID	All	69.95	0.0	69.95	15.0	1.0	0.0	Other, No usage limitation

(800) Operating Companies
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<810>	Reporting Carrier	Fremont Telcom Co.
<811>	Holding Company	Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
<812>	Operating Company	n/a

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<a1> Affiliates	<a2> SAC	<a3> Doing Business As Company or Brand Designation
Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	482235	Blackfoot Telecommunications Group
Blackfoot Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	483308	Blackfoot Telecommunications Group
Blackfoot Communications, Inc.		Blackfoot Communications, Blackfoot Telecommunications Group, Fremont Communications
Syringa Networks, LLC		
Vision Net, Inc.		
Fretel Communications, LLC		Fremont Communications
Fremont Telecom Co.	472222	(SAC 473333 is for USAC purposes 481 had to be filed here for ROR treatment.)

Voice Services Rate Comparability

June 3, 2014

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CFO

Blackfoot Telecommunications Group

For the Program year 2015, the average urban rate for local service is $20.46. Per USAC's 481 User guide two deviations above the $20.46 is $46.96. As indicated in line 700 worksheet none of the Fremont rates are two deviations above $20.46.

Study Area Code: 472222

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Communication with Those Charged with Corporate Governance Under US Auditing Standards (AU-C Sections 260 and 265)

Our responsibility under US Generally Accepted Auditing Standards

Our responsibility, as described by professional standards, is to express an opinion about whether the financial statements prepared by management with your oversight are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles. Our audit of the financial statements does not relieve you or management of your responsibilities.

Sensitive accounting estimates

- Rates and allocation bases on affiliate transactions and intercompany cost allocations
- Depreciation
- Part 64 adjustments
- Valuation of acquisitions

Difficulties in performing the audit

None

Corrected and uncorrected misstatements

Lists provided to management.

Disagreements with management

None

Management representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated as of the report date.

Management consultations with other independent accountants

None

Other findings or issues

None