

# Pennsylvania Telephone Association

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**Steven J. Samara**  
President

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Ms. Rosemary Chiavetta  
Secretary  
Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission  
400 North Street, Keystone Bldg.  
Harrisburg, PA 17120

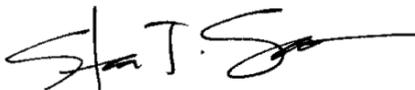
Re: M-2025-3052786  
FCC Form 555: ETC Lifeline Certification  
*TDS Telecom-Deposit Telephone Co.*

Dear Secretary Chiavetta:

Enclosed please find a copy of the FCC Form 555 (Lifeline Certification) report which was filed with USAC and the FCC on behalf of the above company.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to call our office at 717-238-8311 or email Sue Carter at [sue.carter@patel.org](mailto:sue.carter@patel.org).

Sincerely,



Steven J. Samara  
President

**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)**

150089 <hr/> Study Area Code (SAC)	14300327 <hr/> Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN)	
(An Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) must provide a certification form for <b>each SAC</b> that provides Lifeline service).		
2024 <hr/> Recertification Year	PA <hr/> State	Deposit Telephone Company (PA) <hr/> ETC Name Telephone and Data Systems, Inc.
<hr/> DBA, Marketing, or Other Branding Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do <u>not</u> leave blank)	<hr/> Holding Company Name (If same as ETC name, list "N/A" Do <u>not</u> leave blank)	

**Does the reporting company have affiliated ETCs? Yes  No**

*Provide a list of all ETCs that are affiliated with the reporting ETC, using page 4 and additional sheets if necessary. 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.*

Affiliated ETC's SAC	Affiliated ETC's Name
250284	Butler Telephone Company, Inc.
250314	Peoples Telephone Company, Inc.
250311	Oakman Telephone Company, Inc.
452174	Southwestern Telephone Company
220375	Nelson-Ball Ground Telephone Company
472230	Potlatch Telephone Company, Inc
320830	Tri-County Telephone Company, Inc
320744	Camden Telephone Company, Inc.
320837	West Point Telephone Company
320829	Tipton Telephone Company, Inc
320816	S & W Telephone Company, Inc.
320809	Communications Corporation of Southern Indiana
320788	The Merchants & Farmers Telephone Company
320778	Home Telephone Company, Inc. (Waldron)
320777	The Home Telephone Company of Pittsboro, Inc.
320776	Communications Corporation of Indiana
452171	Arizona Telephone Company
542323	Winterhaven Telephone Company
542322	Hornitos Telephone Company
542321	Happy Valley Telephone Company
462184	Delta County Tele-Comm, Inc.

462207	Strasburg Telephone Company
210338	Quincy Telephone Company (Florida)
220351	Camden Telephone & Telegraph Company, Inc.
220346	Blue Ridge Telephone Company
220338	Quincy Telephone Company (Georgia)
310726	Shiawassee Telephone Company
310685	Chatham Telephone Company
310677	Island Telephone Company
310672	Communication Corporation of Michigan
361413	Mid State Telephone Company KMP
361362	Bridge Water Telephone Company
361350	Arvig Telephone Company
361507	Winsted Telephone Company
361433	Mid-State Telephone Company
287449	Myrtle Telephone Company, Inc
280448	Calhoun City Telephone Company, Inc.
283301	Southeast Mississippi Telephone Company, Inc
120049	Union Telephone Company
120047	Merrimack County Telephone Company
123321	Hollis Telephone Company, Inc.
120050	Wilton Telephone Company
120045	Kearsarge Telephone Company
150133	Vernon Telephone Company, Inc
150129	Township Telephone Company, Inc.
150089	Deposit Telephone Company, Inc.
150092	Edwards Telephone Company, Inc
150118	Port Byron Telephone Company
150114	Oriskany Falls Telephone Corporation
300645	Oakwood Telephone Company
300613	Little Miami Communications Corporation
300607	Continental Telephone Company
300585	Arcadia Telephone Company
300662	The Vanlue Telephone Company
431984	Oklahoma Communication Systems, Inc. DBA TDS Telecom
432010	Mid-America Telephone, Inc.
532404	Asotin Telephone Company-Oregon
170206	Sugar Valley Telephone Company
240544	St. Stephen Telephone Company
240535	Norway Telephone Company, Inc.

240533	McClellanville Telephone Company, Inc.
240551	Williston Telephone Company
290578	Tellico Telephone Company, Inc.
290566	Humphreys County Telephone Company
290559	Concord Telephone Exchange, Inc.
290575	Tennessee Telephone Company
260417	Salem Telephone Company
260412	Lewisport Telephone Company
260411	Lesile County Telephone Company
100005	Cobbosseecontee Telephone Company
100010	Hampden Telephone Company
100007	The Island Telephone Company
100024	Somerset Telephone Company
100034	The West Penobscot Telephone and Telegraph Company
100031	Warren Telephone Company
100011	Hartland and St. Albans Telephone Company
310738	Wolverine Telephone Company
190217	Amelia Telephone Corporation
190253	Virginia Telephone Company
193029	New Castle Telephone Company
140058	Ludlow Telephone Company
140062	Perkinsville Telephone Company, Inc.
140061	Northfield Telephone Company
522404	Asotin Telephone Company-Washington
522427	Lewis River Telephone Company, Inc.
522430	McDaniel Telephone Company
330945	The Scandinavia Telephone Company, LLC
330943	Riverside Telecom, LLC
330881	Mid-Plains Telephone, LLC
330880	The Farmers Telephone Company, LLC
330875	Dickeyville Telephone, LLC
330859	Central State Telephone Company, LLC
330856	Burlington, Brighton, & Wheatland Telephone Company
330851	Bonduel Telephone Company
330849	Black Earth Telephone Company, LLC
330844	Badger Telecom, LLC
330930	Grantland Telecom, Inc.
330968	Waunakee Telephone Company
330963	UTELCO, LLC

330958	Tenney Telephone Company, LLC
330955	State Long Distance Telephone Company, LLC
330954	Stockbridge & Sherwood Telephone Company
330917	Mt. Vernon Telephone Company, LLC
330915	Mosinee Telephone Company, LLC
330914	EastCoast Telecom, Inc
330909	Midway Telephone Company, LLC
330952	Southeast Telephone Company of Wisconsin Inc

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

I certify that the company listed above:

- Has policies and procedures in place to ensure that its Lifeline subscribers are eligible to receive Lifeline services; and
- Is in compliance with all federal Lifeline certification procedures; and
- Is in compliance with the minimum service levels set forth in 47 C.F.R. § 54.408.

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

Initial     TMB    

**Annual Recertification Results**

Report the results of recertification efforts for the current calendar year.

*Do not leave blocks empty. If the National Verifier is responsible for conducting recertification, enter zero for blocks A - F. If the state Lifeline Administrator is responsible for conducting recertification, report the results for each block.*

A. Subscribers eligible for recertification within current calendar year	
B. Subscribers de-enrolled prior to recertification attempts	
C. Total number of subscribers required to be recertified (A-B)	
D. Subscribers successfully recertified	
E. Subscribers de-enrolled for failed recertification	
F. Percentage de-enrolled for failed recertification (E/C)	

I certify that the company listed above has procedures in place to recertify consumer eligibility by relying upon notice of eligibility from:  state Lifeline administrator  National Verifier

I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC listed above.

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**No Subscribers Certification** *Complete this section if ETC claimed no Lifeline subscribers.*

I certify that my company did not claim federal low income support for the current Form 555 data year. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for the SAC(s) listed on this form

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## ETCs Subject to the Non-Usage Requirements

All ETCs must complete the appropriate check-box. ETCs that do not assess and collect a monthly fee from their Lifeline subscribers are subject to the non-usage requirements. ETCs subject to the non-usage requirements must indicate the number of subscribers de-enrolled by month. ETCs that only assess a fee but do not collect such fees are subject to the non-usage requirements and must also indicate the number of subscribers de-enrolled by month.

Is the ETC subject to the non-usage requirements? Yes  No

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

G	H
Month	Subscribers De-Enrolled for Non-Usage
<b>January</b>	
<b>February</b>	
<b>March</b>	
<b>April</b>	
<b>May</b>	
<b>June</b>	
<b>July</b>	
<b>August</b>	
<b>September</b>	
<b>October</b>	
<b>November</b>	
<b>December</b>	
<b>Total Subscribers</b>	0

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.

## Signature Block

By signing below, I certify that the information provided is true and accurate. I am an officer of the company named above. I am authorized to make this certification for this SAC.

Signed,

Thomas Bader

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Signature of Officer

thomas.bader@tdsinc.com

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Email Address of Officer

Nicole Mauritz

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Person Completing This Certification Form

Thomas Bader - Assistant Treasurer

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Printed Name and Title of Officer

01-17-2025

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

608-664-2415

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Contact Phone Number