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February 2, 2015

Chairmen Arkansas Legislative Council State Capitol Building, Room 315 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Chairmen:

Attached is the quarterly report concerning operation of the Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund (ETFF) for the period October through December 2014.

Arkansas Code Annotated § 23-17-404(e)(8)(D)(1) requires the Commission to provide quarterly reports to the Legislative Council concerning operation of the fund. The attachment details the quarterly activity regarding grants requested awarded and denied by company and names the Arkansas General Assembly Members whose constituents benefited from the approved grants. Year-to-date data has been provided for all approved grants. ETFF financial information is also provided for each month, the quarter and year-to-date.

Questions concerning operation of the ETFF or the quarterly report may be referred to Bill Dennis, Manager-Telecommunications and Quality of Service at 501-682-5695.

Sincerely,

Ted J. Thomas Chairman

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### RURAL TELCOM SOLUTIONS, LLC. 810 DAN ARK CIRCLE PO BOX 608 DANVILLE, AR 72833

LARRY FRAZIER - MANAGER

479-495-5881

January 27, 2015

Re: Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund Arkansas PSC Docket No. 02-080-A

Secretary of the Commission Arkansas Public Service Commission 1000 Center Street Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Secretary,

Enclosed are the following documents for filing in the above captioned docket:

- (\*) Suggested language to submit to the Chairman of the appropriate committees to accompany the transmittal of the quarterly report of the Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund.
- (\*) Monthly Status Reports for the Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund for the activity months of October, November, and December 2014.
- (\*) A Statement of the Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund disbursements by Company for the 4th quarter of 2014.
- (\*) A statement of grant application activity for the 4th quarter of 2014.
- (\*) A statement of grant financial activity for the 4th quarter of 2014.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the enclosed materials.

Thank you,

Larry Frazier

Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC

Administrator

#### January 27, 2015

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# Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund Quarterly Financial Activity October 2014 - December 2014 \*

Quarterly Report to the Legislative Council (Section 23-17-404(e)(8)(D)(i))

	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Y-T-D 2014
Revenues / Assessments					
AICCLP	\$124,998.00	\$124,998.00	\$124,998.00	\$83,332.00	\$458,326.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00	\$9,960.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,960.12
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$1,219.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,219.00
Interest Income	\$1,563.56	\$1,545.85	\$1,597.33	\$1,583.54	\$6,290.28
Total Revenue	\$126,561.56	\$137,722.97	\$126,595.33	\$84,915.54	\$475,795.40
Disbursements					
Grant Request Approvals	\$54,146.02	\$153,527.97	\$87,005.00	\$86,380.99	\$381,059.98
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$4,008.82	\$1,113.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,122.78
External Audit Fees	\$4,885.00	\$0.00	\$4,370.00	\$3,190.00	\$12,445.00
Program Administration Fees	\$4,650.00	\$4,650.00	\$4,650.00	\$4,650.00	\$18,600.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$67,689.84	\$159,291.93	\$96,025.00	\$94,220.99	\$417,227.76
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$58,871.72	(\$21,568.96)	\$30,570.33	(\$9,305.45)	\$58,567.64
Fund Balance as of:	3rd Quarter	Accounts			
2013 Opening Fund Balance **	\$2,051,906.03	Investment 1 Investment 2			\$1,100,382.27 \$507,189.14
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit	\$58,567.64	Investment 3			\$502,902.26
Closing Fund Balance	\$2,110,473.67			<u> </u>	\$2,110,473.67
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	<u>Y-T-D 2014</u>
# of Grant Requests	125				
Grants	2		1	3	9
True-Ups	1		0	0	3
Denied / Withdrawn	C		0	0	0
Pending _	C		0	0	0
Total	3	5	1	3	12
# of New Customers	2	2 3	1	3	9

<sup>\*</sup> Prepared by Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC from the Monthly reports for the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th Quarter 2014

<sup>\*\*</sup>See item Arkansas ARETFF Docket No. 02-080-A. Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC assumed responsibility January 1, 2012. Balance reflects transfers from predecessor and current activity.

#### Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund Quarterly Grant Application Activity October 2014 - December 2014

	Initial	initial Grants						
Company Name	Amount	Customer Name	Senator	Representative				
CenturyTel of Arkansas	\$19,675.76	Dennis Allen	Missy Irvin	John Payton				
Windstream Arkansas	\$34,016.04	Bradley & Lisa Mumford	David Sanders	Tommy Thompson				
Windstream Arkansas	\$32,689.19	Mike Burnett	Bryan King	Bill Gossage				
	\$86,380.99	=						
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Company Name								
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	\$0.00							
	Grants Denied / Ret	turned / Withdrawn						
Company Name	Amount	Customer Name						
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Prepared by Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC from the Monthly reports for the 4th Quarter 2014

See item Arkansas ARETFF Docket No. 02-080-A. Rural Telcom Solutions. LLC assumed responsibility January 1, 2012. Balance reflects transfers from predecessor and current activity.

# Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund Quarterly Statement by Company January 2014 - September 2014

Prepared for the Arkansas Public Service Commission by Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC.

	Initlal Grants				
GRANT PAYMENTS	1Q2014	2Q2014	3Q2014	4Q2014	Year-to-date
Windstream Arkansas	\$52,986.22	\$11,977.08	\$0.00	\$66,705.23	\$131,668.53
Arkansas Telephone Company	\$0.00	\$18,954.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$18,954.90
CenturyLink of Arkansas	\$0.00	\$60,515.38	\$0.00	\$19,675.76	\$80,191.14
Northern Ar Telephone Company	\$1,159.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,159.80
Madison County Telephone Company	\$0.00	\$5,403.52	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,403.52
Mountain View Telephone Company	\$0.00	\$4,074.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,074.19
Southwest Arkansas Tele Cooperative	\$0.00	\$52,602.90	\$87,005.00	\$0.00	\$139,607.90
TOTAL GRANT PAYMENTS	\$54,146.02	\$153,527.97	\$87,005.00	\$86,380.99	\$381,059.98

Grant	True-Up	Activity
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GRANT TRUE-UP PAYMENTS	1Q2014	2Q2014	3Q2014	4Q2014	Year-to-date
Southwest Ar Telephone Cooperative	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Arkansas Telephone Company	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Ritter Communications	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Northern Ar Telephone Company	\$4,008.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,008.82
Mountain View Telephone	\$0.00	\$1,113.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,113.96
TOTAL GRANT TRUE-UP PAYMENTS	\$4,008.82	\$1,113.96	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,122.78
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Prepared by Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC from the Monthly reports for the 4th Quarter 2014

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#### **Statement of Fund Performance** Prepared for the Arkansas Public Service Commission by Rural Telcom Solutions, LLC Y-T-D 2014 Monthly Activity For October 2014 Revenues / Assessments **ARHCF Support** \$0.00 \$374,994.00 \$9,960.12 \$0.00 Grant True-up Receipts \$1,219.00 Miscellaneous \$0.00 \$5,239.45 \$532.71 Interest Income \$391,412.57 \$532.71 **Total Revenue Disbursements** \$0.00 \$294,678.99 **Grant Request Approvals** \$5,122.78 **Grant True-Up Approvals** \$0.00 \$12,445.00 \$3,190.00 **External Audit Fees** \$15,500.00 \$1,550.00 **Program Administration Fees** \$0.00 \$0.00 Miscellaneous \$4,740.00 \$327,746.77 **Total Disbursements**

Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund

Fund Balance as of:	October 2014	Accounts	
2014 Opening Fund Balance	\$2,051,906.03	Investment 1	\$1,106,072.03
		Investment 2	\$506,765.59
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit	\$63,665.80	Investment 3	\$502,734.21
Closing Fund Balance	\$2,115,571.83		\$2,115,571.83

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Operating Surplus / (Deficit)

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## Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund

Statement of Fund Performance					
Prepared for th	ne Arkansas Public Service Commis	sion by Rural Telcom So	olutions, LLC		
Monthly Activity For	November 2014			Y-T-D 2014	
Revenues / Assessments					
ARHCF Support	\$83,332.00			\$458,326.00	
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00			\$9,960.12	
Miscellaneous	\$0.00			\$1,219.00	
Interest Income	\$493.01			\$5,732.46	
Total Revenue	\$83,825.01			\$475,237.58	
Disbursements					
Grant Request Approvals	\$86,380.99			\$381,059.98	
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$0.00			\$5,122.78	
External Audit Fees	\$0.00			\$12,445.00	
Program Administration Fees	\$1,550.00			\$17,050.00	
Miscellaneous	\$0.00			\$0.00	
Total Disbursements	\$87,930.99			\$415,677.76	
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$4,105.98)			\$59,559.82	
Fund Balance as of:		November 2014	Ac	counts	
2014 Opening Fund Balance		\$2,051,906.03	Investment 1	\$1,101,680.66	
			Investment 2	\$506,973.85	
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit		\$59,559.82	Investment 3	\$502,811.34	
Closing Fund Balance		\$2,111,465.85		\$2,111,465.85	

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Monthly Activity For	December 2014			Y-T-D 2014
Revenues / Assessments				
ARHCF Support	\$0.00			\$458,326.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00			\$9,960.12
Miscellaneous	\$0.00			\$1,219.00
Interest Income	\$557.82			\$6,290.28
Total Revenue	\$557.82			\$475,795.40
<u>Disbursements</u>				
Grant Request Approvals	\$0.00			\$381,059.98
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External Audit Fees	\$0.00			\$12,445.00
Program Administration Fees	\$1,550.00			\$18,600.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00			\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$1,550.00			\$417,227.76
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	(\$992.18)			\$58,567.64
Fund Balance as of:		December 2014	Ac	ccounts
2014 Opening Fund Balance		\$2,051,906.03	Investment 1	\$1,100,382.27
			Investment 2	\$507,189.14
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit		41	Investment 3	\$502,902.26
Closing Fund Balance		\$2,110,473.67		\$2,110,473.67