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*Indicate which deadline you are meeting with this filing.

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Explanation of Effort and Availability of Commercial Equipment

*Provide an explanation of efforts undertaken, and challenges encountered, in permanently removing, replacing, and disposing of covered communications equipment or service.

No, my company has not conducted work on the removal of covered equipment since the submittal of the last form. We have not been able to start the removal portion of the project due to delays stemming from vendor negotiation, supply chain issues, and weather that have impacted earlier portions of the timeline. As a result of equipment arriving several months later than planned the new network has not been turned up as of yet. At this point, we were hoping to have the network turned on; but, our vendor is re-negotiating the contract due to the weather conditions in Adak. The equipment will be removed once the new network is in place within the next few months. No, my company has not conducted work on the disposal of covered equipment since the submittal of the last form. We have not been able to start the disposal portion of the project due to delays stemming from vendor negotiation, supply chain issues, and weather that have impacted earlier portions of the timeline. The equipment will be disposed of once the new network is turned on and in place, Adak is aiming to accomplish this by the end of the 2024 calendar year weather permitting. Yes, my company has conducted work on the replacement of covered equipment and services since the submission of the last form; the installation of equipment has been completed. We are awaiting server programming to be completed as well as the finalization of a roaming agreement.

*Explain whether you are finding commercially available equipment in the marketplace. If not, then explain efforts taken to obtain replacement equipment.

We are finding that some equipment and services are commercially available, and some are not. We have had to find alternative equipment and services that are available. For example, we had some difficulty acquiring vendor Switches and tried different vendors. We had a purchase order from an initial vendor but they were unable to deliver all the equipment in time and we needed to pivot and reestablish with a new vendor. Since we could not get the equipment from the initial vendor, Windy City Cellular ended up purchasing Fortiswitches from an outside vendor; this change in vendors was a process that took a few months to resolve.

* If there is additional information relevant to the preceding questions or that you believe the Commission should be aware of, please include the information below.

Adak has not been able to maintain the originally submitted timeline due to delays beyond our control including weather, vendor delays, and equipment delivery, coupled with being a small, rural, and adversely located provider. Adak is hopeful that the delays and lack of funding with a 39.5% allocation prompt Congress to review the funding for this National Security Threat program more closely and grant the necessary funding needed to successfully work through the reimbursement program.

Program Compliance

*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) all requirements of the Reimbursement Program.

Yes No

*Indicate whether recipient has permanently removed from its communications network all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes No

If recipient has not yet completed the removal process, what estimated percentage of the removal process have you completed?

0

*Indicate whether recipient has replaced all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes No

If recipient has not yet completed the replacement process, what estimated percentage of the replacement process have you completed?

95

*Indicate whether recipient has disposed of all covered communications equipment or services that were in the recipient's network as of the date of the submission of the recipient's application request for funding.

Yes No

If recipient has not yet completed the disposal process, what estimated percentage of the disposal process have you completed?

0

*Indicate whether recipient has fully complied with (or is in the process of complying with) the timeline submitted by the recipient. If not, provide explanation for deviation.

Yes No

*The filer has indicated no to a question in this section, please provide additional information.

Timeline Deviation: Adak has not been able to maintain the originally submitted timeline due to delays beyond our control. We have not been able to start the removal portion of the project due to delays in the replacement phase of the project stemming from vendor negotiation, supply chain issues, and weather has been a large factor. In addition to that, It has been taking longer than expected to get the project modifications and reimbursements ready for submission for reimbursement review. As a result of equipment arriving several months later than planned due to weather and changes in shipment, the new network has not been turned on as of yet. At this point, were were hoping to have the network turned on; but, our vendors are re-negotiating with us due to the weather conditions in Adak. The equipment will be removed once the new network is in place within the next few months.

Certifications

*By checking the box and providing the electronic signature where indicated below, the Certifying Official on behalf of the filer certifies under penalty of perjury that:

(1) The Certifying Official is authorized to submit this status report on behalf of the above-named filer and, based on information known to me or provided to me by employees responsible for the information being submitted, the information set forth in this status report has been examined and is true, accurate, and complete, and the expenditures, disbursements and cash receipts are for the purposes and objectives set forth in the terms and conditions of the Federal award. The Certifying Official acknowledges that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent information or statement, or the omission of any material fact on this status report or on any other document submitted by the filer may subject the filer and the undersigned to punishment by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act (47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), 1606), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code (18 U.S.C. § 1001, §§ 286-287, and § 1343), or can lead to liability under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. §§ 3729-3733, and §§ 3801-3812). (2) The filer is in compliance with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program, including but not limited to allocations, draw downs, payments, obligations and expenditures of money, and the Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to be in compliance and remain in compliance with those statutes, rules, and orders may result in the denial of funding, cancellation of funding commitments, and/or recoupment of past disbursements. The Certifying Official acknowledges that the filer will maintain detailed records, including receipts, of all costs eligible for reimbursement actually incurred for a period of 10 years; and will file all required documentation for its expenses. The Certifying Official acknowledges that failure to comply with the statute, rules, and orders governing the Reimbursement Program could result in civil or criminal prosecution by law enforcement authorities.

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