



TOWNES TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES CORPORATION

June 25, 2024

Data Center
Missouri Public Service Commission
200 Madison St., Suite 100
Jefferson City, MO 65101

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Annual Report to the Missouri Public Service Commission
Choctaw Telephone Company Revied from March 18th Submission requested due to Item No.6 page 2

Enclosed is the PUBLIC version of Choctaw Telephone Company ILEC's 2023 Annual Report. **REVISED VERSION.**

Choctaw has designated page 3 as highly confidential/non-proprietary financial information and not available to the public in any format. Pages 4, and 5, are also marked highly confidential as the filing is marked as "Non-Public submission" and denoted as highly confidential.

If you should have any questions or require additional information concerning this filing, please call me at (904) 259-0036 or email me at tsouza@townes.net.

Sincerely,

Tammy Souza
VP of Finance & Services

Enclosures

CHOCTAW TELEPHONE CO.

Company Name

(Provide the full name of the company as certificated or registered with the Missouri Public Service Commission, including any Commission approved d/b/a, if applicable. Please do not abbreviate.)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS/IVoIP ANNUAL REPORT TO THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Calendar Year of
January 1 - December 31, 2023

This filing is required pursuant to Commission Rule 20 CSR 4240-28.012 and Section 392.210 RSMo.

Please select how the company is certificated and/or registered with the Commission (check all that apply):

- ☒ Incumbent Local Telecommunications Company (ILEC)
☐ Competitive Local Exchange Telecommunications Company (CLEC)
☐ Interexchange or Local Non-Switched Telecommunications Company (IXC)
☐ Interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol Service Provider (IVoIP)

If unsure of the company's authorization, see list of companies at: https://psc.mo.gov/Forms/Telecommunications_Forms

Please choose one of the following filing options to indicate the security level of the filing:

- ☒ **Public**
☐ **Confidential** (See instructions for how to file an annual report under seal)

Excel Issue Date: 03-07-24

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Annual Report of **CHOCTAW TELEPHONE CO.**
for the calendar year of January 1 - December 31, **2023**

1. Provide the following company information:

204 West Main, Halltown, MO 65664 Company Street	913-837-2219 Telephone Number
PO BOX 729 Company Mailing Address (if different from street address)	choctawtel.com Company Website Address (if no website insert "none")
LEWISVILLE, AR 71845 City State Zip	

2. The company's contact information in EFIS has been reviewed and updated as applicable.

☒ Yes ☐ No

3. Provide the following information for the person completing this annual report:

Name: TAMMY SOUZA	Street Address:
Email Address: tsouza@townes.net	PO BOX 729
Telephone: 904-259-0036	LEWISVILLE, AR 71845

I am (check as appropriate): ☒ An employee of the company ☐ A third-party preparer

I am listed in EFIS as the company's annual report contact: ☒ Yes ☐ No

4. Identify the company's top three principal officers at the end of the year.

Title	Name
PRESIDENT	LARRY C TOWNES
VICE PRESIDENT	DARLA J BRIDGES
CHIEF OPERATION OFFICER	ADAM DIXON

5. ILECs, CLECs and IVoIP companies are required to provide the following Relay Missouri assessment information:

Relay Missouri: 2023 calendar year ¹			
Relay Missouri Surcharge applied per line in December 2023	**	\$0.10	**
Revenue Collected From Relay Missouri Surcharge	**		**
Amount Retained for Billing and Collecting the Surcharge	**		**
Relay Missouri Revenue Remitted to Relay Missouri Fund	**		**

6. ILECs, CLECs and IVoIP companies are required to provide the following Missouri USF assessment information:

Amount remitted to the Missouri USF fund for 2023 calendar year ²	**		**
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The amounts for Item Nos. 5 and 6 should reflect the time period associated with the payment and not dependent on when a payment is made.
For example this amount can include a payment made in 2024 for a time period within 2023.

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¹ For information about the Relay Missouri assessment see https://psc.mo.gov/Telecommunications/Assessments_and_Filing_Requirements

² For information about the Missouri USF assessment see www.missouri-usf.com.

for the calendar year of January 1 - December 31, **2023****7. Please provide the following revenue information:**

If no revenue was collected for any box insert \$0.

Row	RETAIL END USER REVENUES	**	Missouri Intrastate (Column A)	**	**	Missouri Interstate & International (Column B)	**	**	Missouri Total Company ³ (Column C)	**
1.	Voice Local Service (Basic local telecommunications service, IVolP service ⁴ including revenue with other features associated with these services. Includes any bundled service whereby these services are bundled with other non-regulated services. ⁵)	**		**	**		**	**		**
2.	Interexchange Service (Message toll services, 800 services, interexchange operator services).									
3.	Non-Switched Services ⁶ (Dedicated non-switched private line services typically used by business customers. Do not include special access or private line services provided to other telecommunications or IVolP service providers which are reported in Row 6).									
4.	Retail Uncollectibles. (Amount is typically a negative number.)	**		**	**		**	**		**
5.	RETAIL END-USER TOTAL (Row 1+2+3+4) Revenue in Column A will be provided to Missouri USF Administrator for assessment purposes.)	**		**	**		**	**		**
	WHOLESALE AND UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUND REVENUES									
6.	Wholesale Revenue ⁷	**		**	**		**	**		**
7.	Wholesale Uncollectibles. (Amount is typically a negative number.)	**		**	**		**	**		**
8.	Federal USF Revenue (This revenue will be usually listed in Column B; however, list in column A any Connect America Fund Intercarrier Compensation funding used to replace revenue caused by mandatory intrastate switched access rate reductions.)		N/A			N/A			N/A	
9.	State USF Revenue									
10.	TOTAL REVENUES (Row 5+6+7+8+9) The Total Revenue in Column A should match the Total Gross Intrastate Operating Revenue reported on the Missouri PSC's Statement of Revenue form.	**		**	**		**	**		**

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³ **Total Company Revenue (Column C)** = Column A revenue + Column B revenue.⁴ **IVolP Revenue:** If unable to distinguish Missouri Jurisdictional revenue in Column A then a safe harbor percentage can be applied to total revenue that corresponds to the FCC's safe harbor percentage of 35.1% intrastate and 64.9% interstate or as otherwise adjusted by the FCC.⁵ **Bundled Service Revenue:** If telecommunications or IVolP service is bundled with non-regulated services then a company may apply either of two methods in reporting bundled revenue in Column A. Method 1: Report bundled revenue in Column A based on the unbundled rate for telecommunications or IVolP service; or Method 2: Report all bundled revenue in Column A.⁶ **Retail Non-Switched Private Line Service Revenue:** If 10% of more of the customer's private line network traffic is considered interstate traffic then 100% of the customer's non-switched private line service revenue can be classified as interstate traffic.⁷ **Wholesale Revenue:** Revenue from telecommunications or IVolP services sold to other service providers including revenue associated with switched access service, special access service, billing and collection and any remaining carrier's carrier revenue provided in FCC Form 499-A, Block 3. NECA settlements should be reported in Column B.

for the calendar year of January 1 - December 31, **2023**

8. Line Quantities for Basic Local Telecommunications &/or IVoIP Services

Exchange	Line Quantities (as of December 31, 2023)*					
	**	Residential	**	**	Business	**
HALLTOWN	**		**	**		**
Totals:	**		**	**		**

* Line quantities can be provided for a date other than December 31, 2023 if the date is within the month of December.

Clarifications about reporting line quantities:

1. Report line quantities for basic local telecommunications service and/or IVoIP service as those terms are defined in Section 386.020(4) and (23), RSMo.
2. Lines include analog and digital. For DS-1 or higher band-width facilities a voice grade equivalency must be used. For channelized service report the number of channels subscribed to by the customer. For non-channelized facilities, filers are instructed to use a good-faith estimate of the number of voice grade equivalent lines used for voice service.
3. Exchange refers to areas as listed in ILEC tariffs.
4. IVoIP line quantities must be filed on a confidential basis per Section 392.550(7)(c) RSMo. See instructions for how to file on a confidential basis.

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VERIFICATION

Note: Prefer Affiant to be President, Treasurer, General Manager or Receiver of Company *

Company Name: CHOCTAW TELEPHONE CO.

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Affiant Information	
Name	Tammy L Souza
Title	Vice President of Finance & Services
City, State	Lewisville, AR

Under penalty of perjury, I declare the information contained in this annual report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

* If Affiant is not the President, Treasurer, General Manager or Receiver of the company then explain Affiant's ability to verify the accuracy of the information presented:

I, T Souza, Vice President of Finance & Services serve as Officer for filings. I am responsible for Choctaw Telephone, including not limited to multiple subsidiary ledger audits, following policy, establishing procedures, reporting and tax filer submission(s).

06/25/2024

Date

Tammy Souza

Signature of Affiant

(If electronic signatures are used, you must use "/s/" before the name.)

Missouri Revised Statutes §392.210, §393.140 and §509.030

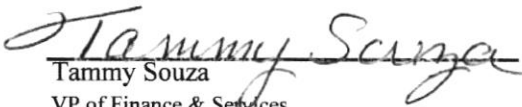
AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF ARKANSAS
COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority appeared Tammy Souza, who deposed and said:

1. My name is Tammy Souza. I am employed by Townes Telecommunications, Inc ("TTI") as VP of Finance & Services. TTI is the parent company of Choctaw Telephone Company or ("Choctaw" or "Company"). In my capacity as Vice President of Finance & Services, I am authorized to give this affidavit on behalf of the Company. This affidavit is being given to support the Missouri Public Service Commissions's certification as contemplated in Section 392.210, RSMo., Section 393.140, RSMo, and the rules at 4 CSR 240-3.540 (Telecommunications Companies), public utilities are required to submit an annual report to the Missouri Public Service Commission.
2. Choctaw hereby requests classification of selected portions of their annual report as nonpublic. The Company has designated all financial information contained in their Annual Report as confidential/closed record and not available to the public in any format.

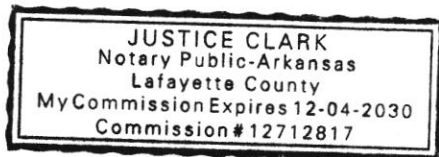
FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.



Tammy Souza
VP of Finance & Services

STATE OF ARKANSAS
COUNTY OF LAFAYETTE

Acknowledged before me this 25th day of June , 2024 by Tammy Souza, as Vice President of Finance & Services of Townes Telecommunications, Inc., who is personally known to me or produced identification and who did take an oath.





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Personally Known ☒ _____
Produced Identification _____
Type of Identification Produced _____