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# ***ANNUAL REPORT***

OF

Columbine Telephone Company, Inc.

**NAME**

104101 U.S. Highway 89  
Freedom, WY 83120

**ADDRESS**

TO THE

**IDAHO PUBLIC**

**UTILITIES COMMISSION**

FOR THE

YEAR ENDED 2015

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June 29, 2016

Idaho Public Utilities Commission  
Attn: Jean Jewell, Commission Secretary  
472 W. Washington St.  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re: Y/E 2015 Annual Report of Small Telephone Companies  
Columbine Telephone Company, Inc.

Dear Jean:

Enclosed is the original, hard copy version of the above report, electronically filed earlier today.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michelle Motzkus".

Michelle Motzkus  
Legal & Regulatory Administrator  
307.883.6690

Enclosure

A stylized landscape illustration in shades of green and yellow, featuring rolling hills, a hot air balloon, and trees.

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF SMALL TELEPHONE COMPANIES TO  
THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 2015**

**COMPANY INFORMATION**

Exact name of utility: Columbine Telephone Company, Inc. dba Silver Star Communications  
 Address of principal office: 104101 U.S. Highway 89, Freedom WY 83120  
 Telephone Number (Area Code) 307 883-2411  
 Cities or towns served: Driggs, Victor, Tetonia, Wayan, Irwin

Name and title of officer having custody of the general corporate books of account: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jefferson H. England, Vice President of Finance/Chief Financial Officer

Address of office where corporate books are kept and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_  
180 North Main, Thayne WY 83127

Organized under the laws of the State of: Wyoming

Date of organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Form of organization (proprietorship, association, corporation): Corporation

If a Subchapter S Corporation, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of controlling company, if any: Horizon Communications, Inc.

Names of affiliated companies. Give address and description of business: \_\_\_\_\_  
Gold Star Communications, LLC - Mobile Wireless  
Millennium Networks, LLC - Competitive Communications and Related Services

**OFFICERS**

Report below the title, name and office address of each general officer of the utility at the end of the year. If there were any changes during the year, show the name, title, and address of the previous officer and the date of change.

<b>Title</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Address</b>
Chairman/CEO	Allen R. Hoopes	PO Box 226, Freedom WY 83120
President/COO	Ron B. McCue	PO Box 226, Freedom WY 83120
Vice President/CFO	Jefferson H. England	PO Box 226, Freedom WY 83120
Secretary	Michelle Motzkus	PO Box 226, Freedom WY 83120

**DIRECTORS**

List the name of each person who was a member of the Board of Directors at any given time during the year: (Fees related to meetings only.)

<b>Name and Address</b>	<b>Term Expired or Current Term Will Expire</b>	<b>Meetings Attended This year</b>	<b>Fees Paid During Year</b>
Allen R. Hoopes PO Box 226 Freedom WY 83120	until removed	5	\$1,875
Rod R. Jensen PO Box 226 Freedom WY 83120	until removed	5	\$1,875
Robert Foster PO Box 226 Freedom WY 83120	until removed	5	\$1,875

Name of Chairman of the Board: Allen R. Hoopes  
 Name of Secretary (or Clerk) of Board: Michelle Motzkus  
 Number of Meetings of the Board during the year: Four (4) regularly scheduled

**MANAGERS**

List the name of each person who performed management duties for the Company during the year, and the total wages and bonuses paid to those persons: (Do not include Director fees in these amounts.)

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Wages and Bonuses Paid</b>
Jefferson H. England	Vice President of Finance/CFO	confidential
Kurt Garrard	Finance Director	confidential
Eric Gewiss	Marketing Director	confidential
Allen R. Hoopes	CEO	confidential
Ron B. McCue	President/COO	confidential
Todd Pence	Customer Service, Retail & Sales Director	confidential
George Scherer	Human Resources Director	confidential
Barbara Sessions	Operations and Engineering Director	confidential



**BALANCE SHEET**  
**Assets and Other Debits**

Title of Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Balance at End of Year	Increase or (Decrease)
<b>Current Assets</b>			
1120 Cash and Equivalents			
1130 Cash	62,007	244,836	182,829
1140 Special Cash Deposits			-
1150 Working Cash Advances			-
1160 Temporary Investments	35,634	68	(35,566)
1180 Telecommunications Accts. Receivable			-
1181 Accts. Rec. Allow. -Telecommunications			-
1190 Other Accounts Receivable	534,631	554,130	19,499
1191 Accounts Receivable Allow. - Other	(14,000)	(14,000)	-
1200 Notes Receivable			-
1201 Notes Receivable Allowance			-
1210 Interest & Dividends Receivable			-
1220 Material and Supplies	261,369	721,135	459,766
1280 Prepayments			-
1290 Prepaid Rents			-
1300 Prepaid Taxes			-
1310 Prepaid Insurance	-	594	594
1320 Prepaid Directory Expenses			-
1330 Other Prepayments			-
1350 Other Current Assets			-
<b>Noncurrent Assets</b>			
1401 Investment in Affiliated Companies			-
1402 Investment in Nonaffiliated Companies	4,056,333	4,818,336	762,003
1406 Nonregulated Investments			-
1407 Unamortized Debt Issuance Expense			-
1408 Sinking Funds			-
1410 Other Noncurrent Assets	94,107	-	(94,107)
1438 Deferred Maintenance & Retirements			-
1439 Deferred Charges			-
1500 Other Jurisdiction Assets - Net			-
<b>Property, Plant and Equipment</b>			
2001 Telecommunications Plants in Service	37,756,869	52,072,513	14,315,644
2002 Prop. Held for Future Telecom. Use	30,000	30,000	-
2003 Telecom. Plant under Constr. - Short Term	239,980	363,671	123,691
2004 Telecom. Plant under Constr. - Long Term			-
2005 Telecom. Plant Adjustment			-
2006 Nonoperating Plant			-
2007 Goodwill			-
<b>Depreciation and Amortization Accounts</b>			
3100 Accumulated Depreciated	(30,947,683)	(41,304,752)	(10,357,069)
3200 Accum. Depre. - Held for Future Use			-
3300 Accumulated Depreciation - Nonoperating			-
3400 Accumulated Amortization - Tangible			-
3410 Accum. Amort. - Capitalized Leases			-
3420 Accum. Amort. - Leasehold Improvements		(31,783)	(31,783)
3500 Accumulated Amortization - Intangible			-
3600 Accumulated Amortization - Other	(94,107)		94,107
			-
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 12,015,140</b>	<b>\$17,454,748</b>	<b>\$ 5,439,608</b>

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**Liabilities & Stockholders' Equity**

Title of Account	Balance Beginning of Year	Balance at End of Year	Increase or (Decrease)
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
4010 Accounts Payable	303,217	1,576,303	1,273,086
4020 Notes Payable	800,000	2,000,000	1,200,000
4030 Advance Billings and Payments			-
4040 Customer Deposits			-
4050 Current Maturities - Long -Term Debt	6,281		(6,281)
4060 Current Maturities - Capital leases			-
4070 Income Taxes - Accrued			-
4080 Other Taxes - Accrued	33,205	33,186	(19)
4100 Net Current Defer. Oper. Income Taxes	(4,769)	(8,985)	(4,216)
4110 Net Current Defer. Nonoper. Income Taxes		105,938	105,938
4120 Other Accrued Liabilities	101,423		(101,423)
4130 Other Current Liabilities			-
<b>Long-Term Debt</b>			
4210 Funded Debt			-
4220 Premium on Long-Term Debt			-
4230 Discount on Long-Term Debt			-
4240 Reacquired Debt			-
4250 Obligations Under Capital Leases			-
4260 Advances from Affiliated Companies			-
4270 Other Long-Term Debt			-
<b>Other Liabilities &amp; Deferred Credits</b>			
4310 Other Long-Term Liabilities			-
4320 Unamort. Oper. Invest. Tax Credits - Net	134,380	243,659	109,279
4330 Unamort. Nonoper. Invest. Tax Credits - Net			-
4340 Net Noncurrent Defer. Oper. Income Taxes	(214,315)	(246,229)	(31,914)
4350 Net Noncur. Defer. Nonoper. Income Taxes	(2,627)	-	2,627
4360 Other Deferred Credits	1,234,256	846,420	(387,836)
4370 Other Juris. Liab. & Def. Credits - Net			-
<b>Stockholders' Equity</b>			
4510 Capital Stock	11,483	11,483	-
4520 Additional Paid-In Capital	8,486,310	10,218,667	1,732,357
4530 Treasury Stock			-
4540 Other Capital	(4,978)	-	4,978
4550 Retained Earnings	1,131,274	2,623,786	1,492,512
			-
<b>TOTAL LIAB. &amp; OTHER CREDITS</b>	<b>\$ 12,015,140</b>	<b>\$ 17,404,228</b>	<b>\$ 5,389,088</b>

**ANALYSIS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE**

**TOTAL Company Basis**

	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions During year	Plant Retired or Sold	Transfers and Adjustments	Balance End of Year
<b>Analysis of Telecommunications Plant in Service</b>					
1410 Internet Equipment	94,107			(94,107)	-
2111 Land	718,557	52,390		7,012	777,959
2112 Motor Vehicles	557,573	43,109			600,682
2113 Aircraft					
2114 Special Purpose Vehicles					
2115 Garage Work Equipment					
2116 Other Work Equipment	650,462				650,462
2121 Buildings	4,609,344	121,888		890,547	5,621,779
2122 Furniture	253,167				253,167
2123 Office Equipment	173,632			749	174,381
2124 General Purpose Computers	293,174	4,449	(2,341)		295,282
2211 Analog Electronic Switching					
2212 Digital Electronic Switching	873,097				873,097
2215 Electro-Mechanical Switching					
2220 Operator Systems					
2231 Radio Systems	619,987			338,060	958,047
2232 Circuit Equipment	7,688,915	1,604,990		3,459,074	12,752,979
2311 Station Apparatus					
2321 Customer Premises Wiring					
2341 Large Private Branch Exchanges					
2351 Public Telephone Terminal Equipment					
2362 Other Terminal Equipment					
2411 Poles	103,273				103,273
2421 Aerial Cable	127,269			742	128,011
2422 Underground Cable	200,742				200,742
2423 Buried Cable	20,303,373	2,107,171		5,937,865	28,348,409
2424 Submarine Cable					
2426 Intrabuilding Network Cable	11,044				11,044
2431 Aerial Wire	21,608				21,608
2441 Conduit Systems	501,973			2,929	504,902
2681 Capital Leases					
2682 Leasehold Improvements	49,678				49,678
2690 Intangibles					
<b>TOTAL PLANT ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>37,850,975</b>	<b>3,933,997</b>	<b>(2,341)</b>	<b>10,542,871</b>	<b>52,325,502</b>



**ANALYSIS OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANT IN SERVICE**  
**IDAHO Company Operations**

	Balance Beginning of Year	Additions During year	Plant Retired or Sold	Transfers and Adjustments	Balance End of Year
<b>Analysis of Telecommunications Plant in Service</b>					
1410 Internet Equipment	94,107			(94,107)	-
2111 Land	718,557	52,390		7,012	777,959
2112 Motor Vehicles	557,573	43,109			600,682
2113 Aircraft					
2114 Special Purpose Vehicles					
2115 Garage Work Equipment					
2116 Other Work Equipment	650,462				650,462
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2123 Office Equipment	173,632			749	174,381
2124 General Purpose Computers	293,174	4,449	(2,341)		295,282
2211 Analog Electronic Switching	873,097				873,097
2212 Digital Electronic Switching					
2215 Electro-Mechanical Switching					
2220 Operator Systems					
2231 Radio Systems	619,987			338,060	864,873
2232 Circuit Equipment	7,688,915	1,604,990		3,459,074	12,573,034
2311 Station Apparatus					
2321 Customer Premises Wiring					
2341 Large Private Branch Exchanges					
2351 Public Telephone Terminal Equipment					
2362 Other Terminal Equipment					
2411 Poles	103,273				103,273
2421 Aerial Cable	127,269			742	126,623
2422 Underground Cable	200,742				200,742
2423 Buried Cable	20,303,373	2,107,171		5,937,865	27,491,355
2424 Submarine Cable					
2426 Intrabuilding Network Cable	11,044				11,044
2431 Aerial Wire	21,608				21,608
2441 Conduit Systems	501,973			2,929	504,902
2681 Capital Leases					
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<b>TOTAL PLANT ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>37,850,975</b>	<b>3,933,997</b>	<b>(2,341)</b>	<b>10,542,871</b>	<b>51,066,215</b>

**ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES IN ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION**  
Account 3100

	TOTAL Company Basis			Credits During Year	Retirements and Adjustments	Balance End of Year
	Balance Beginning of Year	Depreciation Rate*				
<b>Analysis of Entries in Accumulated Depreciation</b>						
1410 Internet	94,107	33.33%				94,107
2112 Motor Vehicles	512,031	25.00%	19,924			531,956
2113 Aircraft						-
2114 Special Purpose Vehicles						-
2115 Garage Work Equipment						-
2116 Other Work Equipment	639,670	20.00%	1,189			640,859
2121 Buildings	2,151,428	5.00%	543,669			2,695,097
2122 Furniture	253,167	14.00%				253,167
2123 Office Equipment	170,451	20.00%	1,839			172,290
2124 General Purpose Computers	292,633	33.33%	4,991	(2,342)		295,282
2211 Analog Electronic Switching						-
2212 Digital Electronic Switching	855,608	12.00%	17,489			873,097
2215 Electro-Mechanical Switching						-
2220 Operator Systems						-
2231 Radio Systems	289,702	20.00%	297,568			587,270
2232 Circuit Equipment	6,485,468	12.50%	3,288,258	(9,165)		9,764,561
2311 Station Apparatus						-
2321 Customer Premises Wiring						-
2341 Large Private Branch Exchanges						-
2351 Public Telephone Terminal Equipment						-
2362 Other Terminal Equipment						-
2411 Poles	103,273	7.50%				103,273
2682 Amortization of Leasehold Improvements	29,299	Amortize 18 Months		2,484		31,783
2421 Aerial Cable	126,506	8.60%	848			127,354
2422 Underground Cable	197,288	10.00%	387			197,675
2423 Buried Cable	18,502,790	6.50%	6,640,639	(446,086)		24,697,343
2424 Submarine Cable						-
2426 Intrabuilding Network Cable	11,044	6.50%				11,044
2431 Aerial Wire	21,608	6.50%				21,608
2441 Conduit Systems	305,717	5.00%	27,161			332,878
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 31,041,790</b>		<b>\$ 10,843,962</b>	<b>\$ (455,109)</b>		<b>\$ 41,430,645</b>

\*Please list individual depreciation rate for each account.

**ANALYSIS OF ENTRIES IN ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION**

Account 3100

**IDAHO Operations Only  
TOTAL Company Basis**

	Balance Beginning of Year	Depreciation Rate*	Credits During Year	Retirements and Adjustments	Balance End of Year
<b>Analysis of Entries in Accumulated Depreciation</b>					
1410 Internet	94,107	33.33%			94,107
2112 Motor Vehicles	5,296	25.00%	19,924		25,221
2113 Aircraft					-
2114 Special Purpose Vehicles					-
2115 Garage Work Equipment					-
2116 Other Work Equipment	639,670	20.00%	1,189		640,859
2121 Buildings	2,046,784	5.00%	543,669		2,590,453
2122 Furniture	253,167	14.00%			253,167
2123 Office Equipment	170,451	20.00%	1,839		172,290
2124 General Purpose Computers	292,633	33.33%	4,991	(2,342)	295,282
2211 Analog Electronic Switching	855,608	12.00%	17,489		873,097
2212 Digital Electronic Switching					-
2215 Electro-Mechanical Switching					-
2220 Operator Systems					-
2231 Radio Systems	210,118	20.00%	293,590		503,708
2232 Circuit Equipment	6,323,085	12.50%	3,254,805	(9,165)	9,568,725
2311 Station Apparatus					-
2321 Customer Premises Wiring					-
2341 Large Private Branch Exchanges					-
2351 Public Telephone Terminal Equipment					-
2362 Other Terminal Equipment					-
2411 Poles	103,273	7.50%			103,273
2682 Amortization of Leasehold Improvements	29,299	Amortize 18 Months		2,484	31,783
2421 Aerial Cable	125,881	8.60%	848		126,729
2422 Underground Cable	197,288	10.00%	387		197,675
2423 Buried Cable	17,741,733	6.50%	6,630,481	(445,253)	23,926,961
2424 Submarine Cable					-
2426 Intrabuilding Network Cable	11,044	6.50%			11,044
2431 Aerial Wire	21,608	6.50%			21,608
2441 Conduit Systems	305,717	5.00%	27,161		332,878
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 29,426,762</b>		<b>\$ 10,796,373</b>	<b>\$ (454,276)</b>	<b>\$ 39,768,861</b>

\*Please list individual depreciation rate for each account.

## INVESTMENTS

Report below the investments in Accounts 1401, 1402 and 1406. Identify each investment as to the account in which included. Minor amounts in Account 1406 may be grouped by classes.

<u>Description</u>	<u>Date Acquired</u>	<u>Book Cost of Investments Disposed of This year</u>	<u>Book Cost of Investments Held at End of Year</u>
RTFC Certificates	2003	_____	\$ 230,604
Syringa	2000	_____	\$ 4,029,703
Valley Wireless	2003	_____	\$ 558,029
<b>Totals</b>			<b>\$ 4,818,336</b>

## RECEIVABLES

Itemize amounts show in Accounts 1180, 1190 and 1200. For notes receivable list each note separately and include the maturity date and interest rate. Minor amounts in Account 1210 may be combined.

<u>Name of Company</u>	<u>Amount at End of Year</u>	
	<u>Notes Receivable</u>	<u>Accounts Receivable</u>
Other (1190)		47,480
N.E.C.A. (1190)		298,219
Schools and Libraries (1190)		50,178
Other Interexchange Carriers (1190)		140,051
State USF Fund (1190)		12,973
Bad Debt (1191)		(14,000)
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$ 534,900</b>

**NOTES PAYABLE**

For Notes Payable, list each note separately and include the maturity date and interest rate.

<u>Name of Creditor</u>	<u>Date of Note</u>	<u>Interest Rate</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Face Amount</u>
Rural Telephone Finance Coop				\$ 2,000,000
<b>Totals</b>				<b>\$ 2,000,000</b>

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

Report below all Accounts Payable amounting to more than \$100.00

<u>Name of Creditor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
ACC/PAY-529 COLLEGE SAVINGS	4,211.27
ACC/PAY-OTHER	1,029,621.08
ACC/PAY-OTHER WASH	8,293.11
ACC/PAY-FICA TAX EMPLOYEE	3,340.22
ACC/PAY-FED EXCISE TAX	2,961.97
ACC/PAY-WYOMING SALES TAX	1,025.65
ACC/PAY-IDAHO WITHHOLDING TAX	669.00
ACC/PAY IDAHO STATE SALES TAX	475.52
ACC/PAY-N.E.C.A.	94,427.00
ACC/PAY-PAYROLL	41,723.67
ACC/PAY-VACATION PAY	26,893.96
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 1,213,642</b>





**INCOME & RETAINED EARNINGS STATEMENT**

Item	Total Company	Idaho Only
Total Operating Income (from page 15)	8,143,501	7,815,967
Total Operating Expenses (from page 17)	(6,790,632)	(6,498,635)
7100 Other Operating Income and Expense		
7210 Operating Investment Tax Credits-Net		
7220 Operating Federal Income Taxes	422,036	403,888.45
7230 Operating State and Local Income Taxes		-
7240 Operating Other Taxes	73,387	70,231.54
7250 Provision for Deferred Operating Income Taxes-Net	95,131	91,040.37
7200 Operating Taxes (Total)	\$ 590,554	\$ 565,160
7310 Dividend Income	(843)	(806.82)
7320 Interest Income	(743)	(711.15)
7330 Income from Sinking and Other Funds		-
7340 Allowance for Funds Used During Construction		-
7350 Gains/Losses from the Disposition of Certain Property		-
7360 Other Nonoperating Income	203,978	195,207.24
7370 Special Charges	21,505	20,580.55
7300 Nonoperating Income and Expense	\$ 223,897	\$ 214,270
7410 Nonoperating Investment Tax Credits-Net		-
7420 Nonoperating Federal Income Taxes		-
7430 Nonoperating State and Local Income Taxes		-
7440 Nonoperating Other Taxes		-
7450 Provision for Deferred Nonoperating Income Taxes-Net		-
7400 Nonoperating Taxes		-
7510 Interest on Funded Debt	69,216	66,240.03
7520 Interest Expense-Capital Leases		-
7530 Amortization of Debt Issuance Expense		-
7540 Other Interest Deductions	11	10.36
7500 Interest and Related Items	\$ 69,227	\$ 66,250
7610 Extraordinary Income Credits		-
7620 Extraordinary Income Charges		-
7630 Current Income Tax Effect of Extraordinary Items-Net		-
7640 Provision for Deferred Income Tax Effect of		-
Extraordinary Items-Net		-
7600 Extraordinary Items		-
7910 Income Effect of Jurisdictional Ratemaking		-
Differences-Net		-
7990 Nonregulated Net Income	543,483	520,113.59
<b>AMOUNT TRANSFERRED TO RETAINED EARNINGS</b>	<b>\$ 1,012,674</b>	<b>\$ 969,129</b>



**OPERATING REVENUES**

Item	Total Company	Idaho Only
<b>Local Network Services Revenues</b>		
5001 Basic Area Revenue	993,434	939,722
5002 Optional Extended Area Revenue		
5003 Cellular Mobile Revenue		
5004 Other Mobile Services Revenue		
5010 Public Telephone Revenue		
5040 Local Private Line Revenue	196,792	181,475
5050 Customer Premises Revenue		
5060 Other Local Exchange Revenue	150,172	143,800
5069 Other Local Exchange Settlements	3,210,345	2,981,811
<b>Network Access Services Revenues</b>		
5081 End User Revenue (SLC)	488,215	471,179
5082 Switched Access Revenue (Interstate)	327,372	327,372
5083 Special Access Revenue	2,005,211	1,998,776
5084 State Access Revenue (Intrastate)	191,985	191,979
Long Distance Network Services Revenues		
5100 Long Distance Message Revenue - All		
<b>Miscellaneous Revenues</b>		
5230 Directory Revenue	22,661	22,533
5240 Rent Revenue	57,265	57,265
5250 Corporate Operations Revenue		
5260 Miscellaneous Revenues	508,962	508,791
5261 Special Billing Arrangements Revenue		
5262 Customer Operations Revenue		
5263 Plant Operations Revenue		
5264 Other Incidental Regulated Revenue		
5269 Other Revenue Settlements		
5270 Carrier Billing & Collection Revenue	31,308	31,308
<b>Uncollectible Revenues</b>		
5301 Uncollectible Revenue - Telecommunications	-4,651	-4,651
5302 Uncollectible Revenue - Other	-35,568	-35,393
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 8,143,501</b>	<b>\$ 7,815,967</b>

Please identify the following revenues:

NECA USF \$1,309,474. To what account were they booked? 5069.1

State USF \$\_\_\_\_\_. To what account were they booked?

**OPERATING REVENUES**

Item	Total Company	Idaho Only
<b>Plant Specific Operations Expense</b>		
6110 Network Support Expenses		
6112 Motor Vehicle Expense	0	
6113 Aircraft Expense		
6114 Special Purpose Vehicles Expense		
6115 Garage Work Equipment Expense		
6116 Other Work Equipment Expense	0	
6120 General Support Expenses		
6121 Land and Building Expenses	342,336	327,616
6122 Furniture and Artworks Expense	9,114	8,722
6123 Office Equipment Expense	84,660	81,020
6124 General Purpose Computers Expense	239,057	228,778
6210 Central Office Switching Expenses		
6211 Analog Electronic Expense		
6212 Digital Electronic Expense	173,816	166,342
6215 Electro-Mechanical Expense		
6220 Operators System Expense		
6230 Central Office Transmission Expenses		
6231 Radio Systems Expense	1,856	1,776
6232 Circuit Equipment Expense	768,035	735,010
6310 Information Origination/Termination Expense		
6311 Station Apparatus Expense		
6341 Large Private Branch Exchange Expense		
6351 Public Telephone Terminal Equipment Expense		
6362 Other Terminal Equipment Expense		
6410 Cable and Wire Facilities Expenses		
6411 Pole Expense		
6421 Aerial Cable Expense		
6422 Underground Cable Expense		
6423 Buried Cable Expense	650,633	622,656
6424 Submarine Cable Expense		
6425 Deep Sea Cable Expense		
6426 Intrabuilding Network Cable Expense		
6431 Aerial Wire Expense		
6441 Conduit Systems Expense		
<b>TOTAL PLANT SPECIFIC OPERATIONS EXPENSE</b>	<b>\$ 2,269,508</b>	<b>\$ 2,171,919</b>

**OPERATING REVENUES**

<b>Item</b>	<b>Total Company</b>	<b>Idaho Only</b>
<b>Plant Nonspecific Operations Expense</b>		
6510 Other Property/Plant/Equipment Expenses		
6511 Property Held for Future Telecomm. Use Expenses		
6512 Provisioning Expense		
6530 Network Operations Expense		
6531 Power Expense		
6532 Network Administration Expense	21,611	20,682
6533 Testing Expense	113,691	108,802
6534 Plant Operations Administration Expense	171,222	163,860
6535 Engineering Expense	318,756	305,050
6540 Access Expense	236,069	225,918
6560 Depreciation and Amortization Expenses		
6561 Depreciation Expense-Telecom. Plant in Service	1,048,563	1,003,474
6562 Depreciation Expense-Property Held for Future Use		
6563 Amortization Expense - Tangible		
6564 Amortization Expense - Intangible		
6565 Amortization Expense - Other		
<b>Total Plant Nonspecific Operations Expenses</b>	<b>1,909,912</b>	<b>1,827,786</b>
<b>Customer Operations Expense</b>		
6610 Marketing		
6611 Product Management		
6612 Sales	124,891	119,520
6613 Product Advertising	277,329	265,404
6620 Services		
6621 Call Completion Services		
6622 Number Services	13,938	13,339
6623 Customer Services	503,462	481,813
<b>Total Customer Operations Expense</b>	<b>919,620</b>	<b>880,076</b>
<b>Corporate Operations Expense</b>		
6710 Executive and Planning		
6711 Executive	544,148	520,750
6712 Planning	1,291	1,235
6720 General and Administrative		
6721 Accounting and Finance	513,809	491,715
6722 External Relations	76,411	73,126
6723 Human Resources	137,692	131,771
6724 Information Management		
6725 Legal	101,327	96,970
6726 Procurement	9,132	8,739
6727 Research and Development		
6728 Other General and Administrative	307,783	294,548
6790 Provision for Uncollectible Notes Receivable		
<b>Total Corporate Operations Expense</b>	<b>1,691,592</b>	<b>1,618,854</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 6,790,632</b>	<b>\$ 6,498,635</b>

**CENTRAL OFFICE DATA**  
as of December 31, 2015 (unless otherwise indicated)

Name of Central Office Driggs, Idaho  
Prefix (es): 354, 787\*, 456\* \*Served Via Concentrators

Central Office Switch Type: CS 1500

**Check all that apply:**  
Stand Alone\_X  
Host  
Remote

**Check one:**  
Electronic  
Electro-Mechanical  
Other:

**Access Line Capacity**  
Design: \_\_\_\_\_

**Access Lines in Use**  
Customer Lines: 4463  
(Include Centrex, PAL, Semi-Pub.)

Installed/Equipped: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Telephone Lines 0

Company Official Lines 42

Company Test Lines 0

**Classification of Customer Access**

	Residence			Business			Total Residence & Business
	Multi- Line 1-Party	Single Line 1-Party	Multi- Party	Multi- Line 1-Party	Single Line 1-Party	Multi- Party	
Beginning of Year		3035		622	309		3966
New Connects		1512		41	239		1792
Disconnects		1020		79	196		1295
End of Year		3527		584	352		4463
		Subtotal Residence		Subtotal Business			
		3035		931			
		1512		280			
		1020		275			
		3527		936			

**Foreign Exchange:**  
Dial Tone from this C.O.: \_\_\_\_\_  
Dial Tone from another C.O.: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directory Listings:**  
Number of Customers with Nonpublished or Nonlisted: 7

**Custom Calling:**  
Number of customers with at least one feature: 78  
Total number of features subscribed to: 23

**NUMBER OF CALLS COMPLETED BY CUSTOMERS DURING 2015.**

Local Exchange	Average # of Customer Lines in Use	Local Calls		Toll Calls Originated (Total of all Carriers)			
		Number (1000s)	Avg./ Line	Intrastate	Interstate	Total	Avg./ Line
1							
2							
3							
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YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2015.**

**CUSTOMER RELATIONS RULES COMPLIANCE**

Rule IDAPA 31.21.01.603  
Rule IDAPA 31.41.01.105

Please provide copies of:

Summary of Customer Relations Rules for Telephone Corporations

Idaho Telephone Solicitation Act Notification

Method of Notification:

Mailed separately to customers                      Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No x \_\_\_\_\_

Included in directory                                      Yes x \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Date of notification                      May-15

Alternate method of notification \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Rule IDAPA 31.41.01.403.02

Record of Complaints:

Number received by Company                      0

Category of complaints (if known):

Deposit Disputes                      \_\_\_\_\_

Charges on Bill                      \_\_\_\_\_

Denial/Termination                      \_\_\_\_\_

Quality or Availability  
of Service                      \_\_\_\_\_

Carrier Selection/Assignment                      \_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous                      1 \_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATE

State of Wyoming )  
 ) ss  
County of Lincoln )

WE, the undersigned Jefferson H. England and Kurt Garrard of Columbine Telephone Company, Inc., utility, on our oath do severally say that the foregoing return has been prepared under our direction, from the original books, papers and records of said utility; that we have carefully examined same, and declare the same to be a correct statement of the business affairs of said utility for the period covered by the return in respect to each and every matter and thing therein set forth, to the best of our knowledge, information and belief.

[Signature]  
(Chief Officer)  
[Signature]  
(Officer in Charge of Accounts)

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me this 24th day of June, (Year) 2016.

[Signature]  
Notary Public



My Commission expires March 15, (Year) 2017.