

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT
AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORTS
Years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013**

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors
Mapleton Communications Management Agency
Mapleton, Iowa

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Mapleton Communications Management Agency (an Iowa partnership) as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the related statements of income, partners' capital and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment; including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Mapleton Communications Management Agency as of June 30, 2014 and 2013, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Kiesling Associates LLP

Emmetsburg, Iowa
September 23, 2014

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

**BALANCE SHEETS
June 30, 2014 and 2013**

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|----------------|----------------|
| <u>ASSETS</u> | | |
| CURRENT ASSETS | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 131,786 | \$ 34,331 |
| Accounts receivable: | | |
| Due from customers | | |
| Less allowance of \$146 and \$363, respectively | 11,015 | 14,278 |
| Interexchange carriers | | |
| Less allowance of \$3,154 and \$1,964, respectively | 16,049 | 10,959 |
| Other | 1,292 | - |
| Prepayments | 920 | 217 |
| | 161,062 | 59,785 |
| INTANGIBLES, net of amortization | 141,542 | 184,542 |
| PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT | | |
| Telephone plant in service | 1,311,368 | 1,295,487 |
| Video plant in service | 75,449 | 66,420 |
| Internet plant in service | 92,973 | 82,566 |
| | 1,479,790 | 1,444,473 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | 1,215,131 | 1,170,000 |
| | 264,659 | 274,473 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 567,263 | \$ 518,800 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA

BALANCE SHEETS
June 30, 2014 and 2013

| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| <u>LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL</u> | | |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES | | |
| Accounts payable: | | |
| Related parties | \$ 145,415 | \$ 73,213 |
| Other | 49,077 | 11,555 |
| Accrued taxes | <u>15,751</u> | <u>25,100</u> |
| | <u>210,243</u> | <u>109,868</u> |
| | | |
| PARTNERS' CAPITAL | <u>357,020</u> | <u>408,932</u> |
| | | |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PARTNERS' CAPITAL | <u>\$ 567,263</u> | <u>\$ 518,800</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

**STATEMENTS OF INCOME
Years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013**

| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| OPERATING REVENUES | | |
| Local network services | \$ 139,398 | \$ 148,183 |
| Network access services | 141,653 | 165,170 |
| Long distance services | 37,614 | 30,191 |
| Video services | 244,953 | 253,870 |
| Internet services | 166,594 | 157,045 |
| Miscellaneous | 747 | (3,771) |
| Service discounts | <u>(44,793)</u> | <u>(48,847)</u> |
| | <u>686,166</u> | <u>701,841</u> |
| OPERATING EXPENSES | | |
| Plant specific operations | 134,183 | 130,039 |
| Plant nonspecific operations | 7,912 | 12,344 |
| Cost of long distance services | 20,809 | 26,474 |
| Cost of video programming | 192,614 | 179,092 |
| Cost of internet services | 69,598 | 66,140 |
| Depreciation and amortization | 88,130 | 89,990 |
| Customer operations | 35,136 | 39,066 |
| Corporate operations | 74,674 | 66,223 |
| General taxes | <u>15,052</u> | <u>10,027</u> |
| | <u>638,108</u> | <u>619,395</u> |
| OPERATING INCOME | <u>48,058</u> | <u>82,446</u> |
| OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES) | | |
| Interest and dividend income | <u>30</u> | <u>81</u> |
| NET INCOME | <u>\$ 48,088</u> | <u>\$ 82,527</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA

STATEMENTS OF PARTNERS' CAPITAL
Years Ended June 30, 2014 and 2013

| | <u>Partners' Capital</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Balance at June 30, 2012 | \$ 526,405 |
| Net income | 82,527 |
| Distributions | <u>(200,000)</u> |
| Balance at June 30, 2013 | 408,932 |
| Net income | 48,088 |
| Distributions | <u>(100,000)</u> |
| Balance at June 30, 2014 | <u>\$ 357,020</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
Years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013**

| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Net income | \$ 48,088 | \$ 82,527 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 88,130 | 89,990 |
| Changes in assets and liabilities: | | |
| (Increase) Decrease in: | | |
| Accounts receivable | (3,119) | (223) |
| Prepayments | (703) | 591 |
| Increase (Decrease) in: | | |
| Accounts payable | 100,777 | 13,645 |
| Accrued taxes | (9,349) | (15,073) |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | <u>223,824</u> | <u>171,457</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Capital expenditures | <u>(26,369)</u> | <u>(19,586)</u> |
| Net cash used in investing activities | <u>(26,369)</u> | <u>(19,586)</u> |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES | | |
| Distributions to partners | <u>(100,000)</u> | <u>(200,000)</u> |
| Net cash used in financing activities | <u>(100,000)</u> | <u>(200,000)</u> |
| Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents | 97,455 | (48,129) |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year | <u>34,331</u> | <u>82,460</u> |
| Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year | <u>\$ 131,786</u> | <u>\$ 34,331</u> |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2014 and 2013**

NOTE 1. ORGANIZATION

Mapleton Communications Management Agency was formed in accordance with Iowa Code Chapter 28E between Mapleton Communications Utility, a municipal utility established by the City of Mapleton, IA, and Long Lines, L.L.C. All profits and losses are shared in proportion to ownership interest. The agreement also stipulates that the Company shall terminate no later than December 31, 2027, unless renewed for a reasonable period as the parties may agree.

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Presentation

Mapleton Communications Management Agency (herein referred to as "the Company") is a provider of local telephone access, long distance telephone services, video services and internet services in Mapleton, Iowa .

The accounting policies of the Company conform to accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing its financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Management has evaluated subsequent events through September 23, 2014, the date the financial statements were available for issue. Telephone operations reflect practices appropriate to the telephone industry. The accounting records of the telephone company are maintained in accordance with the Uniform System of Accounts for Class A and B Telephone Companies prescribed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) as modified by the state regulatory authority.

Cash Equivalents

All highly liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less at the time of purchase are considered cash equivalents.

Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are reported net of an allowance for doubtful accounts. The allowance is based on management's estimate of the amount of receivables that will actually be collected. Receivables are considered past due when the amount has been outstanding for thirty days or more.

Intangibles

Intangible assets deemed to have indefinite lives are stated at the lower of cost or fair value. These assets are subject to periodic impairment tests. Intangible assets with definite lives are amortized.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is capitalized at original cost including the capitalized cost of salaries and wages, materials, certain payroll taxes, and employee benefits.

The Company provides for depreciation for financial reporting purposes on the straight-line method by the application of rates based on the estimated service lives of the various classes of depreciable property. These estimates are subject to change in the near term.

Renewals and betterments of units of telephone property are charged to telephone plant in service. When telephone plant is retired, its cost is removed from the asset account and charged against accumulated depreciation less any salvage realized. No gains or losses are recognized in connection with routine retirements of depreciable telephone property. Repairs and renewals of minor items of telephone property are included in plant specific operations expense.

Repairs of video and internet property, as well as renewals of minor items, are charged to plant specific operations expense. A gain or loss is recognized when video and internet property is sold or retired.

Asset Retirement Obligations

Generally accepted accounting principles require entities to record the fair value of a liability for legal obligations associated with an asset retirement in the period in which the obligations are incurred. When the liability is initially recorded, the entity capitalizes the cost of the asset retirement obligation by increasing the carrying amount of the related long-lived asset. Over time, the liability is accreted to its present value each period, and the capitalized cost is depreciated over the useful life of the related asset.

The Company has determined it does not have a material legal obligation to remove long-lived assets, and accordingly, there have been no liabilities recorded for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013.

Long-Lived Assets

The Company would provide for impairment losses on long-lived assets when indicators of impairment are present and the undiscounted cash flows estimated to be generated by those assets are less than the assets' carrying amount. Based on current conditions, management does not believe any of its long-lived assets are impaired.

Income Taxes

Under provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the partners include their respective shares of Company income or loss on their individual tax returns. Accordingly, no provision for income taxes has been made in the accompanying financial statements. The Company's federal and state tax returns for years 2010 to present remain subject to examination.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2014 and 2013**

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Income Taxes (Continued)

The Company has evaluated its income tax positions and has determined that there are no uncertain income tax positions that need to be recorded or reported in the financial statements at June 30, 2014.

Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenues when earned regardless of the period in which they are billed.

Local network service, video and internet revenues are recognized over the period a subscriber is connected to the network.

Network access and long distance service revenues are derived from charges for access to the Company's local exchange network. The interstate and intrastate access revenues are based upon the Company's tariffs for access charges filed with the relevant regulatory agencies. Network access and long distance revenues are recognized at the time a call is placed based on the minutes of traffic processed at tariffed or contracted rates.

The Company recognizes the regulated portion of internet revenue as network access services and the non-regulated portion of internet revenue as internet services in the statement of income. Revenue billed to customers for internet included in network access services totaled \$41,466 and \$36,909 in 2014 and 2013, respectively.

The Company recognizes taxes charged to customers on a net basis in the statements of income.

Fair Value Measurements

The Company determines the fair value of its financial assets and liabilities based on the fair value hierarchy, which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The following three levels of inputs may be used to measure fair value:

- Level 1 Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the Company has the ability to access at the measurement date.
- Level 2 Observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities; quoted prices in markets that are not active; or other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities.
- Level 3 Unobservable inputs that are supported by little or no market activity and that are significant to the fair value of the assets or liabilities.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Reclassifications

Certain reclassifications have been made to the 2013 financial statements to conform with the 2014 presentation.

NOTE 3. INTANGIBLES

Intangible assets at June 30 consist of the following:

| | 2014 | | 2013 | |
|------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| | Gross Amount | Accumulated Amortization | Gross Amount | Accumulated Amortization |
| <u>Amortized Intangibles</u> | | | | |
| Customer lists | \$ 645,000 | \$ 503,458 | \$ 645,000 | \$ 460,458 |

Amortization expense was \$43,000 for both years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013.

Estimated amortization expense for the next four years is:

| | | |
|------|----|--------|
| 2015 | \$ | 43,000 |
| 2016 | | 43,000 |
| 2017 | | 43,000 |
| 2018 | | 12,542 |

The Company's future cash flows are not materially impacted by its ability to extend or renew agreements related to its amortizable intangible assets.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2014 and 2013**

NOTE 4. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment includes the following:

| | 2014 | 2013 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Telephone plant in service: | | |
| General support assets | \$ 24,170 | \$ 15,901 |
| Central office assets | 321,969 | 321,969 |
| Cable and wire facilities | 965,229 | 957,617 |
| Subtotal | 1,311,368 | 1,295,487 |
| Video plant in service: | | |
| Head end equipment | 6,590 | 6,590 |
| Customer premise equipment | 68,859 | 59,830 |
| Subtotal | 75,449 | 66,420 |
| Internet plant in service: | | |
| Internet equipment | 92,973 | 82,566 |
| Total property, plant and equipment | \$ 1,479,790 | \$ 1,444,473 |

Depreciation on depreciable property resulted in composite rates of 3.09% and 3.28% for 2014 and 2013, respectively.

Depreciation expense was \$45,130 and \$46,990 for the years ending June 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively.

NOTE 5. LEASES

The Company is leasing various fiber optic routes on a monthly basis under an operating lease agreement. Total lease expense was \$42,000 and \$43,400 for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013, respectively. The entire expense for the year ended June 30, 2014 and 2013 was paid to a related party.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
June 30, 2014 and 2013**

NOTE 6. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company regularly conducts business with a variety of entities related through common ownership. The following is a summary of transactions and balances with related parties as of June 30, 2014 and 2013 and for the years then ended:

| | <u>2014</u> | <u>2013</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Plant specific operations | \$ <u>101,833</u> | \$ <u>103,573</u> |
| Cost of internet services | \$ <u>69,598</u> | \$ <u>66,140</u> |
| Customer operations | \$ <u>34,388</u> | \$ <u>36,132</u> |
| Corporate operations | \$ <u>60,000</u> | \$ <u>60,000</u> |
| Property and equipment expenditures | \$ <u>21,501</u> | \$ <u>17,224</u> |
| Accounts payable | \$ <u>145,415</u> | \$ <u>73,213</u> |

NOTE 7. RELATED PARTY COMMITMENTS

The Company has a maintenance agreement with Long Lines, L.L.C. The Company has agreed to pay Long Lines, L.L.C. \$7,000 per month to operate the utility plant and provide management and accounting services. The agreement specified an initial term of three years, beginning in 2002, and is automatically renewable for additional twelve month periods, unless either party provides written notice prior to expiration.

The Company has entered into a long-term agreement with Pioneer Internet (an affiliate of Long Lines, L.L.C.) for the provision of wholesale internet services. Services agreed to include access to wholesale internet service and the related transport and connectivity. The expenses for services provided under the agreement were \$69,598 and \$66,140 in 2014 and 2013, respectively. The agreement specified an initial term of sixty months, beginning in 2003, and is automatically renewable for additional twelve month periods, unless either party provides written notice prior to expiration.

NOTE 8. NONCASH INVESTING ACTIVITIES

Noncash investing activities included \$8,947 during the year ended June 30, 2014, relating to plant and equipment additions placed in service or under construction during 2014, which is reflected in accounts payable at year end.

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MAPLETON, IOWA**

**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 9. CONCENTRATIONS OF CREDIT RISK

The Company grants credit to customers, all of whom are located in the franchised service area, and telecommunications intrastate and interstate long distance carriers.

The Company is subject to competition for telecommunications services including telecommunications exchange services offered by other providers in the service area.

Financial instruments that potentially subject the Company to concentrations of credit risk consist principally of cash and cash equivalents.

The Company maintains its cash in bank deposit accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts. The Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Board of Directors
Mapleton Communications Management Agency
Mapleton, Iowa

We have audited the financial statements of Mapleton Communications Management Agency as of and for the years ended June 30, 2014 and 2013, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 2014, which contained an unmodified opinion on those financial statements. Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The consolidating supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Kiesling Associates LLP

Emmetsburg, Iowa
September 23, 2014

**MAPLETON COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MAPLETON, IOWA**

**SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
Year ended June 30, 2014**

Findings Related to the Financial Statements:

INSTANCES OF NONCOMPLIANCE:

Telecommunications Services: No instances of non-compliance with Chapter 388.10 of the Code of Iowa were noted.



**REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING
AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT
OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS**

To the Board of Directors
Mapleton Communications Management Agency
Mapleton, Iowa

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Mapleton Communications Management Agency as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated September 23, 2014. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Mapleton Communications Management Agency's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Mapleton Communications Management Agency's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards in considering the Company's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Kiesling Associates LLP

Emmetsburg, Iowa
September 23, 2014