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day of January, April, July and October in each year, or at less frequent intervals when specified by the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders, financial and statistical reports on its condition and operations. Such reports shall be in such form and include such information as may be specified by the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders, including without limitation an analysis of the Mortgagor's revenues, expenses, and subscriber accounts. The Mortgagor will cause to be prepared and furnished to each noteholder at least once during each 12-month period during the term hereof, a full and complete report of its financial condition as of a date (hereinafter called the Fiscal Date) not more than 90 days prior to the date such report is furnished to the noteholders hereunder, and of its operations for the twelve-month period ended on the fiscal date, in form and substance satisfactory to the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders, audited and certified by independent certified public accountants satisfactory to said noteholders and accompanied by a report of such audit in form and substance satisfactory to said noteholders. Either the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders, through its or their representatives, shall at all times during reasonable business hours have access to, and the right to inspect and make copies of, any or all books, records and accounts, and any or all invoices, contracts, leases, payrolls, cancelled checks, statements and other documents and papers of every kind belonging to or in possession of the Mortgagor and in anywise pertaining to its property or business.

SECTION 12. (a) The Mortgagor will from time to time upon written demand of the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders make, execute, acknowledge and deliver or cause to be made, executed, acknowledged and delivered all such further and supplemental indentures of mortgage, deeds of trust, mortgages, financing statements, continuation statements, security agreements, instruments and conveyances as may reasonably be requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders and take or cause to be taken all such further action as may reasonably be requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders to effectuate the intention of these presents and to provide for the securing and payment of the principal of and interest on the notes according to the terms thereof and for the purpose of fully conveying, transferring and confirming unto the Mortgagees the property hereby conveyed, mortgaged and pledged, or intended so to be, whether now owned by the Mortgagor or hereafter acquired by it and to reflect the assignment of the rights or interest of either of the Mortgagees or of any noteholder hereunder or under any note. The Mortgagor will cause this Mortgage and any and all supplemental indentures of mortgage, mortgages and deeds of trust and every security agreement, financing statement, continuation statement and every additional instrument which shall be executed pursuant to the foregoing provisions forthwith upon execution to be recorded and filed and rerecorded and refiled as conveyances and mortgages and deeds of trust of and security interests in real and personal property in such manner and in such places as may be required by law or reasonably requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders in order fully to preserve the security for the notes and to perfect and maintain the superior lien of this Mortgage and all supplemental indentures of mortgage, mortgages and deeds of trust and the rights and remedies of the Mortgagees and the noteholders.

(b) In the event that the Mortgagor has had or suffers a deficit in net income, as determined in accordance with methods of accounting prescribed in section 11 of article II hereof, for any of the five fiscal years immediately preceding the date hereof or for any fiscal year while any of the notes are outstanding, the Mortgagor will at any time or times upon written demand of the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders make, execute, acknowledge and deliver or cause to be made, executed, acknowledged and delivered all such further and supplemental indentures of mortgage, mortgages, security agreements, financing statements, instruments and conveyances, and take or cause to be taken all such further action, as may reasonably be requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders in order to include

in this Mortgage, as Mortgaged Property, and to subject to all the terms and conditions of this Mortgage, all right, title and interest of the Mortgagor in and to, all and singular, the automobiles, trucks, trailers, tractors, aircraft, ships and other vehicles then owned by the Mortgagor, or which may thereafter be owned or acquired by the Mortgagor. From and after the time of such written demand of the majority REA noteholders or majority Bank noteholders, such vehicles shall be deemed to be part of the Mortgaged Property for all purposes hereof.

SECTION 13. Any noteholder may, at any time or times in succession without notice to or the consent of the Mortgagor or any other noteholder and upon such terms as such noteholder may prescribe, grant to any person, firm or corporation who shall have become obligated to pay all or any part of the principal of or interest on any note held by or indebtedness owed to such noteholder or who may be affected by the lien hereby created, an extension of the time for the payment of such principal or interest, and after any such extension the Mortgagor will remain liable for the payment of such note or indebtedness to the same extent as though it had at the time of such extension consented thereto in writing.

SECTION 14. The Mortgagor, subject to applicable laws and rules, regulations and orders of regulatory bodies, will charge for telephone service furnished by it rates which shall yield revenues at least sufficient to enable the Mortgagor to pay and discharge all taxes and expenses when due, and also to make any payments in respect of principal of and interest on the notes when and as the same shall become due. The Mortgagor will, not less than ninety (90) days prior to the effective date of any proposed change in its rate, give to the holder or holders of the notes at the time outstanding written notice of such proposed change and a copy of a schedule showing the then existing rates and the proposed changes therein.

SECTION 15. (a) Except as specifically authorized in writing in advance by the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders, the Mortgagor will not declare or pay any dividends on its capital stock, membership certificates or equity capital certificates (other than in shares of such capital stock or in such certificates), or make any other distribution to its stockholders, members or subscribers, or purchase, redeem or retire any of its capital stock, membership certificates or equity capital certificates, or make any investment in affiliated companies, unless after such action the Mortgagor's current assets will equal or exceed its current liabilities (exclusive of current liabilities incurred for additions to plant), and the Mortgagor's adjusted net worth will be at least forty percentum (40%) of its adjusted assets, or the sum of the following (whichever is the smaller amount):

- (1) the percentage of its adjusted assets specified in the Instruments Recital, plus
- (2) thirty percentum (30%) of its adjusted net worth, if any, in excess of the amount represented by the percentage of adjusted assets set out in the immediately preceding subparagraph (1), plus
- (3) thirty percentum (30%) of the amount of any reduction of its adjusted net worth after the date specified in the Instruments Recital, resulting from the declaration or payment of dividends or distributions, the purchase, redemption or retirement of its capital stock, membership certificates or equity capital certificates or investments in affiliated companies.

(b) During such time or times as the Mortgagor's adjusted net worth is less than the percentage of its adjusted assets specified in the Instruments Recital:

- (1) the Mortgagor will make no increase, without prior written approval of the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders, in salaries, wages, fees and other compensation paid to officers,

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- directors, trustees, executives, or supervisors of the Mortgagor, or to other employees having either a substantial ownership interest in the Mortgagor, or a close family relationship with officers, directors, trustees, executives, supervisors, or holders of substantial ownership interests in the Mortgagor; and
- (2) the Mortgagor will promptly furnish the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders with certified copies of the minutes of all meetings of its stockholders, members, directors or trustees; and
 - (3) if the operation of the Mortgaged Property for the preceding calendar year resulted in a decrease in the Mortgagor's earned surplus accounts, the Mortgagor will, upon request in writing of the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders, take all required action to increase its charges for telephone service or to execute a plan for reducing expenses, such increase in charges and such plan to be submitted to all the noteholders and to be acceptable to and approved in writing by the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders.

(c) During such time or times as the Mortgagor's adjusted net worth is less than twenty percentum (20%) of its adjusted assets:

- (1) the Mortgagor will promptly furnish the REA noteholders and the Bank noteholders with a detailed report on ownership or transfers of its capital stock, membership certificates or equity capital certificates whenever requested in writing by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders, or whenever one per centum (1%) or more of its outstanding ownership interests has been transferred since the last preceding report to such noteholders on ownership interests or transfers; and
 - (2) whenever any change in ownership interests in the Mortgagor occurs which in the sole opinion of the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders might adversely affect their security, the Mortgagor will, upon request in writing of the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders:
 - (a) increase its adjusted net worth, within one year of such written request, to the level requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders, up to twenty percentum (20%) of its adjusted assets; and
 - (b) take no action which would result in reducing its adjusted net worth thereafter below the sum of (i) the amount representing the level of net worth requested by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders pursuant to subparagraph (c) (2) (a) above, plus (ii) thirty percentum (30%) of its adjusted net worth, if any, in excess of the level of net worth referred to in the immediately preceding subclause (i), plus (iii) thirty percentum (30%) of the amount of any reduction of its adjusted net worth after the date of such request by the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders, resulting from the declaration or payment of dividends or distributions, the purchase, redemption or retirement of its capital stock, membership certificates or equity capital certificates, or investments in affiliated companies.
- (d) As used in this section 15, the following terms shall have these meanings:

- (1) The term "adjusted net worth" means the sum of the Mortgagor's "Stock," "Other Capital Surplus" and "Earned Surplus" accounts, less "adjustments."

- (2) The term "adjusted assets" means the sum of the Mortgagor's accounts classified as "Investments," "Current Assets," "Other Assets," and "Prepaid Accounts and Deferred Charges," plus an amount equal to the amount of loan funds still to be advanced under the Consolidated Loan Agreement, if such amount has not been recorded as "Subscriptions to Funded Debt," less the sum of the "Depreciation Reserve," and "Amortization Reserve" accounts and "adjustments."
- (3) The term "adjustments" used in the foregoing definitions means the sum of the following: "Investments in Affiliated Companies," "Advances to Affiliated Companies," "Telephone Plant Acquisition Adjustment" debit amounts in excess of "Amortization Reserve," "Telephone Plant Adjustment" debit balances, "Company Securities Owned," unpaid "Subscriptions to Capital Stock," and "Discount on Capital Stock."
- (4) Titles of accounts or groups of accounts and other terms describing accounting transactions, used in the foregoing definitions or in this section 15, shall have the meanings prescribed for them by the Federal Communications Commission in its prevailing uniform system of accounts for Class A telephone companies. These terms shall also apply to accounts or groups of accounts, of the Mortgagor, regardless of the account title or the system of accounts used, if such accounts have substantially the same meaning as terms referred to in such uniform system of accounts.

SECTION 16. In the event that the Mortgaged Property, or any part thereof, shall be taken under the power of eminent domain, all proceeds and avails therefrom, except to the extent that all noteholders shall consent to other use and application thereof by the Mortgagor, shall forthwith be applied by the Mortgagor: first, to the ratable payment of any indebtedness by this Mortgage secured other than principal of or interest on the notes; second, to the ratable payment of interest which shall have accrued on the notes and be unpaid; third, to the ratable payment of or on account of the unpaid principal of the notes and to such installments thereof as may be designated by the respective noteholders at the time of any such payment, and fourth, the balance shall be paid to whosoever shall be entitled thereto.

SECTION 17. The Mortgagor will well and truly observe and perform all of the covenants, agreements, terms and conditions contained in the Consolidated Loan Agreement, on its part to be observed or performed.

SECTION 18. If this section is made applicable by the Instruments Recital, then: (a) The Mortgagor will not at any time employ, or enter into any contract for the employment of, any manager of its telephone properties, unless such employment or such contract shall first have been approved by the majority REA noteholders and the majority Bank noteholders. (b) If, during such periods as the Mortgagor shall be in default in the making of a payment or payments of principal of or interest on one or more of the notes, the majority REA noteholders or the majority Bank noteholders shall give notice to the Mortgagor that in their opinion its telephone properties are not being efficiently operated, and shall request the termination of the employment of any such manager, or shall request the termination of any operating contract in respect of any such telephone properties, the Mortgagor will terminate such employment or operating contract within thirty (30) days after the date of such notice. (c) All contracts in respect of the employment of any such manager or for the operation of such telephone properties shall contain provisions to permit compliance with the foregoing covenants.

SECTION 19. If all the REA Notes have been paid and discharged while any of the Bank Notes are still outstanding, all rights and powers of the Government and the holders of the REA Notes under this Mortgage shall immediately vest in the Bank and the holders of the Bank Notes, respectively, and, correspondingly, if all the Bank Notes have been paid and discharged while any of the REA Notes are still outstanding, all rights and powers of the Bank and the holders of the Bank Notes under this Mortgage shall immediately vest in the Government and the holders of the REA Notes, respectively. The Bank, the Government, the Mortgagor and the noteholders shall execute and deliver such instruments, assignments, releases or other documents as shall be reasonably required to carry out the intention of this section.

REMEDIES OF THE MORTGAGEES AND NOTEHOLDERS

SECTION 1. If one or more of the following events (hereinafter called "events of default") shall happen, that is to say:

(a) default shall be made in the payment of any installment of or on account of interest on or principal of any note or notes when and as the same shall be required to be made and such default shall continue for thirty (30) days;

(b) default shall be made in the due observance or performance of any other of the representations, warranties, covenants, conditions or agreements on the part of the Mortgagor in any of the notes or in this Mortgage or in the Consolidated Loan Agreement contained; and such default shall continue for a period of thirty (30) days after written notice specifying such default and requiring the same to be remedied shall have been given to the Mortgagor by any noteholder;

(c) the Mortgagor shall file a petition in bankruptcy or be adjudicated a bankrupt or insolvent, or shall make an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or shall consent to the appointment of a receiver of itself or of its property, or shall institute proceedings for its reorganization or proceedings instituted by others for its reorganization shall not be dismissed within thirty (30) days after the institution thereof;

(d) a receiver or liquidator of the Mortgagor or of any substantial portion of its property shall be appointed and the order appointing such receiver or liquidator shall not be vacated within thirty (30) days after the entry thereof;

(e) the Mortgagor shall forfeit or otherwise be deprived of its corporate charter or franchises, permits or licenses required to carry on any material portion of its business; or

(f) a final judgment shall be entered against the Mortgagor and shall remain unsatisfied or without a stay in respect thereof for a period of thirty (30) days;

then in each and every such case any noteholder may, by notice in writing to the Mortgagor and delivery of a copy thereof to the other noteholders, declare all unpaid principal of and accrued interest on any or all notes held by such noteholder to be due and payable immediately; and upon any such declaration all such unpaid principal and accrued interest so declared to be due and payable shall become and be due and payable, immediately, anything contained herein or in any note or notes to the contrary notwithstanding; provided, however, that if at any time after the unpaid principal of and accrued interest on any of the notes shall have been so declared to be due and payable, all payments in respect of principal and interest which shall have become due and payable by the terms of such note or notes shall be paid to the respective noteholders, and all other defaults hereunder and under the notes shall have been made good or secured to the satisfaction of all of the noteholders, then and in every such case, the noteholder or noteholders who shall have declared the principal of and interest on notes held by such noteholder or noteholders to be due and payable may, by written notice to the Mortgagor and delivery of a copy thereof to the other noteholders, annul such declaration or declarations and waive such default or defaults and the consequences thereof, but no such waiver shall extend to or affect any subsequent default or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 2. If one or more of the events of default shall happen, the holder or holders of not less than a majority in principal amount of the notes at the time outstanding (hereinafter called the "majority noteholders"), for itself or themselves, and as the agent or agents of the other noteholders, personally or by attorney, in its or their discretion, may, insofar as not prohibited by law:

(a) take immediate possession of the Mortgaged Property, collect and receive all credits, outstanding accounts and bills receivable of the Mortgagor and all rents, income, revenues and profits pertaining to or arising from the Mortgaged Property, or any part thereof, and issue binding receipts therefor; and manage, control and operate the Mortgaged Property as fully as the Mortgagor might do if in possession thereof, including, without limitation, the making of all repairs or replacements deemed necessary or advisable;

(b) proceed to protect and enforce the rights of the Mortgagees and the rights of the noteholder or noteholders under this Mortgage by suits or actions in equity or at law in any court or courts of competent jurisdiction, whether for specific performance of any covenant or any agreement contained herein or in aid of the execution of any power herein granted or for the foreclosure hereof or hereunder or for the sale of the Mortgaged Property, or any part thereof, or to collect the debts hereby secured or for the enforcement of such other or additional appropriate legal or equitable remedies as may be deemed most effectual to protect and enforce the rights and remedies herein granted or conferred, and in the event of the institution of any such action or suit the noteholder or noteholders instituting such action or suit shall have the right to have appointed a receiver of the Mortgaged Property and of all rents, income, revenues and profits pertaining thereto or arising therefrom derived, received or had from the time of the commencement of such suit or action, and such receiver shall have all the usual powers and duties of receivers, in like and similar cases, to the fullest extent permitted by law, and if application shall be made for the appointment of a receiver the Mortgagor hereby expressly consents that the court to which such application shall be made may make said appointment; and

(c) sell or cause to be sold all and singular the Mortgaged Property or any part thereof, and all right, title, interest, claim and demand of the Mortgagor therein or thereto, at public auction at such place in any county in which the property to be sold, or any part thereof is located, at such time and upon such terms as may be specified in a notice of sale, which shall state the time when and the place where the sale is to be held, shall contain a brief general description of the property to be sold, and shall be given by mailing a copy thereof to the Mortgagor at least fifteen (15) days prior to the date fixed for such sale and by publishing the same once in each week for two successive calendar weeks prior to the date of such sale in a newspaper of general circulation published in said county, or if no such newspaper is published in such county, in a newspaper of general circulation in such county, the first such publication to be not less than fifteen (15) days nor more than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for such sale. Any sale to be made under this subparagraph (c) of this section 2 may be adjourned from time to time by announcement at the time and place appointed for such sale or for such adjourned sale or sales, and without further notice or publication the sale may be had at the time and place to which the same shall be adjourned, provided, however, that in the event another or different notice of sale or another or different manner of conducting the same shall be required by law the notice of sale shall be given or the sale shall be conducted, as the case may be, in accordance with the applicable provisions of law.

SECTION 3. If, within thirty (30) days after the majority noteholders shall have had knowledge of the happening of an event or events of default, the majority noteholders shall not have proceeded to exercise the rights and enforce each of the remedies herein or by law conferred upon or reserved to the Mortgagees or to said majority noteholders, then, and only then, any noteholder for itself and as the agent of all the other noteholders, including the majority noteholders, may proceed to exercise any such right or rights and remedy or remedies not being enforced by the majority noteholders. Nothing contained in this Mortgage shall affect or impair the right, which is absolute and unconditional, of any holder of any note which may be secured hereby to enforce the payment of the principal of or interest on such note on the date or dates any such interest or principal shall become due and payable in accordance with the terms of such note.

SECTION 4. At any sale hereunder any noteholder or noteholders shall have the right to bid for and purchase the Mortgaged Property, or such part thereof as shall be offered for sale, and any noteholder or noteholders may apply in settlement of the purchase price of the property so purchased the portion of the net proceeds of such sale which would be applicable to the payment on account of the principal of and interest on the note or notes held by such noteholder or noteholders, and such amount so applied shall be credited as a payment on account of principal of and interest on the note or notes held by such noteholder or noteholders.

SECTION 5. Any proceeds or funds arising from the exercise of any rights or the enforcement of any remedies herein provided after the payment or provision for the payment of any and all costs and expenses in connection with the exercise of such rights or the enforcement of such remedies shall be applied first, to the payment of indebtedness hereby secured other than the principal of or interest on the notes; second, to the ratable payment of interest which shall have accrued on the notes and which shall be unpaid; third, to the ratable payment of or on account of the unpaid principal of the notes, and the balance, if any, shall be paid to whosoever shall be entitled thereto.

SECTION 6. The Mortgagor covenants that it will give immediate written notice to both of the Mortgagees and to all of the noteholders of the occurrence of an event of default or in the event that any right or remedy described in clauses (a) through (f) of section 1 of this article III is exercised or enforced, or any action is taken to exercise or enforce any such right or remedy.

SECTION 7. Every right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Mortgagees or to the noteholders shall be cumulative and shall be in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law, or in equity, or by statute. The pursuit of any right or remedy shall not be construed as an election.

SECTION 8. The Mortgagor, for itself and all who may claim through or under it, covenants that it will not at any time insist upon or plead, or in any manner whatever claim, or take the benefit or advantage of, any appraisal, valuation, stay, extension or redemption laws now or hereafter in force in any locality where any of the Mortgaged Property may be situated, in order to prevent, delay or hinder the enforcement or foreclosure of this Mortgage, or the absolute sale of the Mortgaged Property, or any part thereof, or the final and absolute putting into possession thereof, immediately after such sale, of the purchaser or purchasers thereat, and the Mortgagor, for itself and all who may claim through or under it, hereby waives the benefit of all such laws unless such waiver shall be forbidden by law.

ARTICLE IV

POSSESSION UNTIL DEFAULT-DEFEASANCE CLAUSE

SECTION 1. Until some one or more of the events of default shall have happened, the Mortgagor shall be suffered and permitted to retain actual possession of the Mortgaged Property, and to manage, operate and use the same and any part thereof, with the rights and franchises appertaining thereto, and to collect, receive, take, use and enjoy the rents, revenues, issues, earnings, income, products and profits thereof or therefrom, subject to the provisions of this Mortgage.

SECTION 2. If the Mortgagor shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid the whole amount of the principal of and interest on the notes at the time and in the manner therein provided, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Mortgagor and shall well and truly keep and perform according to the true intent and meaning of this Mortgage, all covenants herein required to be kept and performed by it, then and in that case, all property, rights and interests hereby conveyed or assigned or pledged shall revert to the Mortgagor and the estate, right, title and interest of the Mortgagees and the noteholders shall thereupon cease, determine and become void and the Mortgagees and the noteholders, in such case, on written demand of the Mortgagor but at the Mortgagor's cost and expense, shall enter satisfaction of this Mortgage upon the record. In any event, each noteholder, upon payment in full to him by the Mortgagor of all principal of and interest on any note held by him and the payment and discharge by the Mortgagor of all charges due to such noteholder hereunder, shall execute and deliver to the Mortgagor such instrument of satisfaction, discharge or release as shall be required by law in the circumstances.

ARTICLE V

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MISCELLANEOUS

SECTION 1. It is hereby declared to be the intention of the Mortgagor that all lines, or systems, embraced in the Mortgaged Property, including, without limitation, all rights of way and easements granted or given to the Mortgagor or obtained by it to use real property in connection with the construction, operation or maintenance of such lines, or systems, and all service and connecting lines, poles, posts, cross arms, wires, cables, conduits, ducts, connections and fixtures forming part of, or used in connection with, such lines, or systems, and all other property physically attached to any of the foregoing-described property, shall be deemed to be real property.

SECTION 2. All acts and obligations of the Mortgagor hereunder shall be subject to all applicable orders, rules and regulations, now or hereafter in effect, of all regulatory bodies having jurisdiction in the premises, to the end that no act or omission to act on the part of the Mortgagor shall constitute a default hereunder insofar as such act or omission shall have been required by reason of any order, rule or regulation of any such regulatory body.

SECTION 3. All of the covenants, stipulations, promises, undertakings and agreements herein contained by or on behalf of the Mortgagor shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so specified or not, and all titles, rights and remedies hereby granted to or conferred upon the Mortgagees shall pass to and inure to the benefit of the respective successors and assigns of the Mortgagees and shall be deemed to be granted or conferred for the ratable benefit and security of all who shall from time to time be the holders of notes executed and delivered as herein provided.

SECTION 4. The descriptive headings of the various articles of this Mortgage were formulated and inserted for convenience only and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.

SECTION 5. All demands, notices, reports, approvals, designations, or directions required or permitted to be given hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to be properly given if mailed by registered mail addressed to the proper party or parties at the following addresses:

As to the Mortgagor: As stated in the testimonium clause hereof.

As to the Mortgagees: The Bank:
Rural Telephone Bank
c/o Rural Electrification Administration
Washington, D. C. 20250

The Government:
Rural Electrification Administration
Washington, D. C. 20250

and as to any other person, firm, corporation or governmental body or agency having an interest herein by reason of being the holder of any note or otherwise, at the last address designated by such person, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency to the Mortgagor and the Mortgagees. The Mortgagor or the Mortgagees may, from time to time designate to one another a new address to which demands, notices, reports, approvals, designations or directions may be addressed and from and after any such designation the address designated shall be deemed to be the address of such party in lieu of the address hereinabove given. The Mortgagor will promptly notify the Mortgagees in writing of any change in location of its chief place of business or the office where its records concerning accounts and contract rights are kept.

SECTION 6. The invalidity of any one or more phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or provisions shall not affect the remaining portions of this Mortgage, nor shall any such invalidity as to one Mortgagee or as to any holder of notes hereunder affect the rights hereunder of the other Mortgagee or any other holder of notes.

SECTION 7. This Mortgage may be simultaneously executed in any number of counterparts, and all said counterparts executed and delivered, each as an original, shall constitute but one and the same instrument.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Blue Mountain Telephone, Inc., P.O. Box 255,
Spray, Oregon, 97874 -----

-----, as Mortgagor, has caused this Mortgage to be signed in its name and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its officers thereunto duly authorized, Rural Telephone Bank, as Mortgagee, has caused this Mortgage to be signed in its name and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed and attested by its officers thereunto duly authorized, and UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, as Mortgagee, has caused this Mortgage to be duly executed in its behalf, all as of the day and year first above written.

BLUE MOUNTAIN TELEPHONE, INC.

(Seal)

Attest: *R. Margaret Ashmead*
Secretary

by *Robert Ashmead*
President

Executed by the Mortgagor
in the presence of:

James B. Munn
Carol Munn
Witnesses

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, and
RURAL TELEPHONE BANK, respectively

by *David G. Kinn* as
Administrator

of
Rural Electrification Administration, and as
Governor
of
Rural Telephone Bank

Attest

Joseph Vellon
Assistant Secretary

Executed by United States of America,
Mortgagee, and Rural Telephone Bank,
Mortgagee, in the presence of:

Mary J. Hessler
Susan C. Munn
Witnesses