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*Indicate which deadline you are meeting with this filing.

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Explanation of Effort and Availability of Commercial Equipment

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

No, my company has not conducted work on the removal of covered equipment since the submittal of the last form. The covered equipment that remains in Nemont's network is active and supporting Nemont's customers & roaming partners. It cannot be removed until after the new network is brought online and Nemont's customers are migrated to that network. Nemont anticipates bringing the new network online in October, 2024 and subsequently migrating its customer during the October-December 2024 timeframe. Once this is done and the new network is confirmed to be stable and supporting our customers and roaming partners, we will begin the removal process. The harsh winters in Montana and North Dakota will impact Nemont's timeline for removing the covered equipment. Typically, tower work cannot be performed from late October through early April. Nemont will begin the removal process as soon as possible but because of the timing, the bulk of the removal and subsequent destruction will happen in the spring of 2025. No, my company has not conducted work on the disposal of covered equipment since the submittal of the last form. Equipment that can be removed, has been removed and stored. This equipment will be destroyed along with the remaining equipment that is still active in the network. Yes, my company has conducted work on the replacement of covered equipment and services since the submittal of the last form. Nemont has completed the installation of the RAN sites it can afford to deploy within the 39% funding allocation. These sites are now being rigorously tested and prepared for live customer traffic once the switching core is completely tested. The switching core is installed, configured and going through rigorous testing. There are a few issues and compatibilities to resolve. We have approximately 100 employees migrated to the new network to assist in resolving these issues. Once they are addressed Nemont will migrate its customers to the new network. We anticipate this happening beginning sometime in October, 2024 and completing in December, 2024. This network will provide significantly less coverage for our customers since the sites deployed are only 70% of the total sites required to provide comparable coverage to that of the covered network.

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

Yes, we are finding that equipment and services are commercially available.

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

Without full funding, Nemont is deploying a network with significantly reduced coverage. This reduction will significantly impact our customers and roaming partners.

Program Compliance

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

Yes No

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

Yes No

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

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

Yes No

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

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

Yes No

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

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

Yes No

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

Timeline deviation : Nemont's completion date was August, 2024. The company applied for and received an extension to complete the project. At least one additional extension will be required to complete the project. Cutover of the portion of the network that can be built with existing funding will be cut over and customers will be migrated to the new network beginning in October 2024 and completing in December 2024. Once this is done and the new network is confirmed to be stable and supporting our customers and roaming partners, we will begin the removal process. The harsh winters in Montana and North Dakota will impact Nemont's timeline for removing the covered equipment. Typically, tower work cannot be performed from late October through early April. Because of the timing, the bulk of the removal and subsequent destruction will happen in the spring of 2025.

Certifications

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

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

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