

**OPEN VIDEO
SYSTEM
CERTIFICATION
APPLICATION**

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Federal Communications Commission
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RE: OPEN VIDEO SYSTEM CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

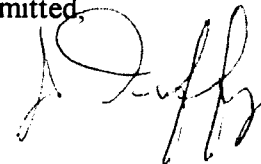
Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted herewith, on behalf of Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative ("Paul Bunyan"), are an original and four copies of its application on FCC Form 1275 for Certification to modify its previously authorized Open Video System to serve the following Minnesota communities: City of Turtle River, City of Kelliher, Durand Township, Maple Ridge Township, Turtle River Township, Port Hope Township, Kelliher Township, Woodrow Township, Cormant Township, Lakeport Township, Guthrie Township, Fern Township, Hendrickson Township, Farden Township, Hart Lake Township, City of Laporte, and Shooks Township. Paul Bunyan was granted its initial Certification to Operate an Open Video System in the Cable Services Bureau's Memorandum Opinion And Order, DA 01-1145, released May 3, 2001.

Also transmitted is a diskette containing a complete copy of the FCC Form 1275 application. If there are any questions regarding this application, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Gerard J. Duffy



cc: Chief, Cable Services Bureau (paper copy and diskette)
Sonia Greenaway, esquire (paper copy and diskette)

**FCC FORM 1275
CERTIFICATION FOR OPEN VIDEO SYSTEMS**

A. Company Information		
Company Name: Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative		
Contact Person: Keith Hunt		
Mailing Address: 1831 Anne St.		
City: Bemidji	State: MN	Zip Code: 56601
Phone Number: 218-444-1234	Fax Number: 218-444-1121	

B. Attach a statement of ownership, including all affiliated entities see Exhibit 1

C. Eligibility and Compliance Representations			
	Yes	No	N/A
1. If you are a cable operator applying for certification within your cable franchise area, are you qualified to operate an open video system under 47 C.F.R. § 76.1501?			x
2. Do you agree to comply and to remain in compliance with each of the Commission's regulations in 47 C.F.R. §§ 76.1503, 76.1504, 76.1506(m), 76.1508, 76.1509, and 76.1513?	x		
3. Do you agree to comply with the Commission's notice and enrollment requirements for unaffiliated video programming providers?	x		
4. If applicable, do you agree to file changes to your cost allocation manual at least 60 days before the commencement of service?			x

D. System Information			
1. Provide a general description of the anticipated communities or areas to be served upon completion of the system.			
City Of Turtle River, Beltrami County, MN.	Cormant Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Shooks Township, Beltrami County MN	
City of Kelliher, Beltrami County, MN.	Lakeport Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Durand Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Guthrie Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Maple Ridge Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Fern Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Turtle River Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Hendrickson Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Port Hope Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Farden Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Kelliher Township, Beltrami County, MN.	Hart Lake Township, Hubbard County, MN.		
Woodrow Township, Beltrami County, MN.	City of Laporte, Hubbard County, MN.		
2. Anticipated Digital Capacity:	N/A	3. Anticipated Analog Capacity:	0
4. If Switched Digital, Anticipated Number of Channel Input Ports:	250		

E. Verification Statement	
WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS MADE ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 503)	
To the best of my knowledge and belief, the representations made herein are accurate according to the most recent information available.	
Name: Paul Freude	Signature: <i>Paul Freude</i>
Title: General Manager	Date: 26-Jul-01

STATEMENT OF OWNERSHIP AND AFFILIATED ENTITIES
FCC Form 1275 (Module B)

Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative is a Minnesota cooperative which had approximately 13,050 owner-members as of July 1, 2001. None of these owner-members has an ownership interest of one percent (1.0%) or more in the cooperative.

The following entities are direct or indirect subsidiaries of Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative ("PBTC"):

Northern Communications, Inc. (100 percent owned direct subsidiary of PBTC)

Paul Bunyan Telephone Cooperative has a five percent (5.0%) or greater ownership interest (direct or indirect) in the following affiliated entities:

GHP, LLC
Cooperative Development, LLC
Independent Emergency Services, LLC
Broadband Visions, LLC
Northwest Minnesota Special Access, LLC
Northern Transport Group, LLC
Independent Pinnacle Services, LLC

STATEMENT

Local communities may file comments or oppositions with respect to FCC Form 1275 applications for Certification For Open Video Systems. Comments or oppositions must be filed with:

Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

and

Chief, Cable Services Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W., Room 4-C802
Washington, DC 20554
Attn: Sonia Greenaway

Section 76.1502(e) of the FCC's Rules sets forth the requirements for filing such comments or oppositions. This rule provides:

(e)(1) Comments or oppositions to a certification must be filed within five calendar days of the Commission's receipt of the certification and must be served on the party that filed the certification. If, after making the necessary calculations, the due date for filing comments falls on a holiday, comments shall be filed on the next business day before noon, unless the nearest business day precedes the fifth calendar day following a filing, in which case the comments will be due on the preceding business day. For example, if the fifth day falls on a Saturday, then the filing would be due on that preceding Friday. However, if the fifth day falls on Sunday, then the filing will be due on the next day, Monday, before noon (or Tuesday, before noon if the Monday is a holiday).

(2) Parties wishing to respond to a FCC Form 1275 filing must submit comments or oppositions with the Office of the Secretary and the Bureau Chief, Cable Services Bureau. Comments will not be considered properly filed unless filed with both of these Offices. Parties are required to attach a cover sheet to the filing indicating that the submission is a pleading related to an open video system application. The only wording on this cover sheet shall be "Open Video System Certification Application Comments." This wording shall be located in the center of the page and should be in letters at least 1/2 inch in size. Parties shall also include the words "open video systems" on their mailing envelopes.

I, Keith Hunt, hereby certify that I am the Video Services Coordinator for Paul Bunyan Rural Telephone Cooperative and that I have hand delivered (or caused to be hand delivered) a copy of the foregoing FCC Form 1275 Certification For Open Video Systems and Exhibit on July 16 or 17, 2001 to the city town clerks listed below:

Kathy Current, Clerk
Durand
Township
Rt. 1 Box 80B
Puposky, MN 56667

Berand St Peter
Maple Ridge Township
Box 177
Puposky, MN 56667

Becky Collison
Turtle River Township
6143 Tall Pines Rd. NE
Bemidji, MN 56601

Karen Spargo
Port Hope Township
R.R. 5 Box 210A
Bemidji, MN 56601

Valerie Mason
City of Turtle River
Rt. 6 Box 216
Bemidji, MN 56601

Don Klick
Lakeport Township
PO Box 1213
Walker, MN 56484

Dorothy Clairmont
Guthrie Township
45548 County 36
Guthrie, MN 56461

Pam Stull
Fern Township
51703 149th Ave.
Bemidji MN 56601

Adell Bridgeford
Hendrickson Township
26701 County 93
Laporte, MN 56461

Laurel Schummer
Farden Township
30176 County 9
Gurthrie, MN 56461

Charlotte Rauch
Hart Lake Township
29688 County 16
Laporte, MN 56461

Shirley Schmidt
City of Laporte
Rt. 3 Box 17
Laporte, MN 56461

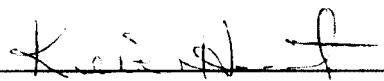
Tina Rennemo
City of Kelliher
City Hall
Kelliher, MN 56650

Mary Lundin
Kelliher Township
PO Box 38
Kelliher, MN 56650

Leigh Kisner
Woodrow Township
HC 79
Kelliher MN 56650

Dorothy Locken
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