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Chairman Jeff Wardlaw
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building, Room 315
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Chairman Wardlaw:

Attached is the quarterly report concerning operation of the Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund (ARETFF) for the period April 2024 through June 2024.

Ark. Code Ann. §23-17-404(e)(7)(A)(i) requires the Commission to provide quarterly reports to the Legislative Council concerning operation of the fund. The attachment details the quarterly activity regarding grants requested, awarded, and denied by company and names of the Arkansas General Assembly Members whose constituents benefited from the approved grants. Year-to-date data has been provided for all approved grants. ARETFF financial information is also provided for each month, the quarter and year-to-date.

Questions concerning operation of the ARETFF or the quarterly report may be referred to Elana Foley, Director of Telecommunications and Consumer Services, at 501-682-5658.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Doyle Webb". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Doyle Webb
Chairman

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Attachment

Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
Quarterly Financial Activity
April - June 2024 *
Quarterly Report to the Legislative Council (Section 23-17-404(e)(8)(D)(i))

	<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>Y-T-D 2024</u>
Revenues / Assessments					
AHCF	\$124,998.00	\$124,998.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$249,996.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$7,002.14	\$7,199.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,201.68
Total Revenue	\$132,000.14	\$132,197.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$264,197.68

Disbursements					
Grant Request Approvals	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$0.00	\$5,388.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,388.81
External Audit Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Administration Fees	\$2,990.01	\$2,990.01	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,980.02
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$2,990.01	\$8,378.82	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$11,368.83

Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$129,010.13	\$123,818.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$252,828.85
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Fund Balance as of:	<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>Accounts</u>	
2024 Opening Fund Balance **	\$4,358,532.13	Investment 1	\$4,084,795.34
		Investment 2	\$526,565.64
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit	\$252,828.85	Investment 3	\$0.00
Closing Fund Balance	\$4,611,360.98		\$4,611,360.98

<u># of Grant Requests</u>	<u>1st Quarter</u>	<u>2nd Quarter</u>	<u>3rd Quarter</u>	<u>4th Quarter</u>	<u>Y-T-D 2024</u>
Grants	0	0	0	0	0
True-Ups	0	1	0	0	1
Denied / Withdrawn	0	0	0	0	0
Pending	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	1	0	0	1
# of New Customers	0	0	0	0	0

* Prepared by Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC from the Monthly reports for the 1st and 2nd Quarter 2024

**See item Arkansas ARETFF Docket No. 02-080-A. Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC assumed responsibility July 1, 2017. Balance reflects transfers from predecessor and current activity.

Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
Quarterly Grant Application Activity
April - June 2024
Quarterly Report to the Legislative Council (Section 23-17-404(e)(8)(D)(i))

<u>ARETF App #</u>	<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Initial Grants</u>			
		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Customer Name</u>	<u>Senator</u>	<u>Representative</u>
		\$0.00			
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		\$0.00			

<u>ARETF App #</u>	<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Grant True-Up Activity</u>	
		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Customer Name</u>
2023-009TU	Southwest Ar Telephone Cooperative	\$5,388.81	JD Courtney
		\$5,388.81	

<u>ARETF App #</u>	<u>Company Name</u>	<u>Grants Denied / Returned / Withdrawn</u>	
		<u>Amount</u>	<u>Customer Name</u>
		\$0.00	
		\$0.00	
		\$0.00	

Prepared by Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC from the Monthly reports for the 2nd Quarter 2024

See Item Arkansas ARETF Docket No. 02-080-A. Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC assumed responsibility July 1, 2017. Balance reflects transfers from predecessor and current activity.

**Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
Quarterly Statement by Company
April - June 2024**

Prepared for the Arkansas Public Service Commission by Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC.

<u>GRANT PAYMENTS</u>	Initial Grants				<u>Year-to-date</u>
	<u>1Q2024</u>	<u>2Q2024</u>	<u>3Q2024</u>	<u>4Q2024</u>	
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>TOTAL GRANT PAYMENTS</u>	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

<u>GRANT TRUE-UP PAYMENTS</u>	Grant True-Up Activity				<u>Year-to-date</u>
	<u>1Q2024</u>	<u>2Q2024</u>	<u>3Q2024</u>	<u>4Q2024</u>	
Southwest AR Telephone Cooperative	\$0.00	\$5,388.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,388.81
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
<u>TOTAL GRANT TRUE-UP PAYMENTS</u>	\$0.00	\$5,388.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,388.81

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**Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
Statement of Fund Performance**

Prepared for the Arkansas Public Service Commission by Arkansas Rural Strategies, LLC

Monthly Activity For	<u>April 2024</u>	<u>Y-T-D 2024</u>
<u>Revenues / Assessments</u>		
ARHCF Support	\$41,666.00	\$166,664.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$2,352.97	\$9,355.11
Total Revenue	<u>\$44,018.97</u>	<u>\$176,019.11</u>
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Grant Request Approvals	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$5,388.81	\$5,388.81
External Audit Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Administration Fees	\$996.67	\$3,986.68
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	<u>\$6,385.48</u>	<u>\$9,375.49</u>
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$37,633.49	\$166,643.62

Fund Balance as of:	<u>April 2024</u>	<u>Accounts</u>
2024 Opening Fund Balance	\$4,358,532.13	Investment 1 \$3,999,093.79
		Investment 2 \$526,081.96
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit	\$166,643.62	Investment 3 \$0.00
Closing Fund Balance	<u>\$4,525,175.75</u>	<u>\$4,525,175.75</u>

**Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
 Statement of Fund Performance**

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Monthly Activity For	<u>May 2024</u>	<u>Y-T-D 2024</u>
<u>Revenues / Assessments</u>		
ARHCF Support	\$41,666.00	\$208,330.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$2,450.54	\$11,805.65
Total Revenue	\$44,116.54	\$220,135.65
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Grant Request Approvals	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$0.00	\$5,388.81
External Audit Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Administration Fees	\$996.67	\$4,983.35
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$996.67	\$10,372.16
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$43,119.87	\$209,763.49

Fund Balance as of:			
2024 Opening Fund Balance	<u>May 2024</u>	<u>Accounts</u>	
	\$4,358,532.13	Investment 1	\$4,041,967.91
YTD Operating Surplus / Deficit	\$209,763.49	Investment 2	\$526,327.71
Closing Fund Balance	<u>\$4,568,295.62</u>	Investment 3	\$0.00
			<u>\$4,568,295.62</u>

Arkansas Extension of Telecommunications Facilities Fund
Statement of Fund Performance

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Monthly Activity For	<u>June 2024</u>	<u>Y-T-D 2024</u>
<u>Revenues / Assessments</u>		
ARHCF Support	\$41,666.00	\$249,996.00
Grant True-up Receipts	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Interest Income	\$2,396.03	\$14,201.68
Total Revenue	<u>\$44,062.03</u>	<u>\$264,197.68</u>
<u>Disbursements</u>		
Grant Request Approvals	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grant True-Up Approvals	\$0.00	\$5,388.81
External Audit Fees	\$0.00	\$0.00
Program Administration Fees	\$996.67	\$5,980.02
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	<u>\$996.67</u>	<u>\$11,368.83</u>
Operating Surplus / (Deficit)	\$43,065.36	\$252,828.85

Fund Balance as of:	<u>June 2024</u>	<u>Accounts</u>
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		Investment 2 \$526,565.64
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