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BALANCE SHEET December 31, 2011

ASSETS AND OTHER DEBITS		
Telephone Plant:		
In service	\$125,814,258.79	\$43,393,035.97
Under Construction	3,135,937.68	1,701,038.27
Total Plant	128,950,196.47	
Less Reserve for:		
Depreciation & Amortization	85,557,160.50	
Plant Less Reserve	1,701,038.27	
Other Investments		18,672,968.88
Cash-General Funds	1,021,319.92	
Temporary Cash Investments	16,725,255.86	
Accounts Receivable	243,435.08	
Material	582,958.02	
Total Current Assets		367,865.05
Prepaid Accounts & Deferred Charges	367,865.05	
Total Assets & Other Debits		\$64,134,908.17
LIABILITIES & OTHER CREDITS		
Long Term Debt	\$4,665,039.94	\$4,665,039.94
Accounts Payable	827,143.59	
Customer Deposits	130,350.00	
Advance Payments	388.62	
Accrued Taxes	368,445.46	
Other Current Liabilities	241,912.03	
Total Current & Accrued Liabilities		1,568,239.70
Deferred Credits	3,500.00	
Donated Capital	5,463,592.04	
Patronage Capital	49,613,761.06	
Margins	2,820,775.43	
Total Capital & Margins		57,901,628.53
Total Liabilities & Other Credits		\$64,134,908.17

OPERATING STATEMENT

	2011	2010
	Year to Date	Year to Date
Local Network Service Revenue	\$3,139,674.36	\$3,157,876.95
Network Access Service Revenue	11,822,522.55	11,632,882.86
Miscellaneous Operating Revenue	617,654.66	646,782.87
Non Regulated Operations Revenue	8,120,104.80	7,113,650.08
Total Operating Revenue	23,699,956.37	22,551,192.76
Plant Specific Operations Expense	4,129,066.23	3,865,016.49
Plant Non Specific Operations Exp.	8,099,043.65	7,260,245.45
Customer Operations Expense	946,733.63	966,327.98
Corporate Operations Expense	1,490,276.62	1,563,334.35
Non Regulated Operations Expense	5,968,061.54	5,028,946.67
Operating Tax Expense	908,327.96	949,622.94
Total Operating Expense	21,541,509.63	19,633,493.88
Net Operating Revenue	2,158,446.74	2,917,698.88
Net Non Operating Income	672,643.25	2,615,014.72
Interest Expense	10,314.56	14,744.37
Margins	\$2,820,775.43	\$5,517,969.23

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Annual Meeting!

Where:

Girard High School Cafeteria

When:

Oct. 25, 2012

Time:

7:30 PM, Registration starts
at 5:30 PM

* Refreshments and
Entertainment will be provided



60 Years and Counting!

August marked the 60th anniversary of the founding of our Cooperative. This landmark achievement has given us a unique opportunity to take a good look at ourselves – where we have been and what kind of organization we want to be going forward. Over the past few years we have launched a state of the art video service complete with high definition channels and DVR service. We also launched our own local content TV channel, "The CUBE" to highlight a variety of events recorded by students from our member schools. This local channel will also be the home for TV viewing of Pitt State athletics including Gorilla Football!

Our primary focus for the future will be on continuing to develop technology solutions that will provide the most value to our members. These solutions include expanding our fiber to the home build out which currently serves more than 1,400 members as well as identifying new revenue opportunities throughout the regions around our traditional serving area.

Everything we do at Craw-Kan begins and ends with our members. Thank you for your support for the past six decades. I believe the best is yet to come.

Craig Wilbert
General Manager

Board of Directors

Barry Bedene,
President

Mary Smith,
Vice-President

Frank Dunnick,
Secretary-Treasurer

Wilda Pentola,
Director

John Kovacic,
Director

Jim O'Toole,
Director

Terry Kunstel,
Director

Roger Doue,
Director

Sharon Starr,
Director

Craig Wilbert,
General Manager

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2012 Nominating Committee

In alphabetical order pictured with General Manager, Craig Wilbert

Marvin Boyd, Sheldon Delange, Tim Fielder,
Tracy Goodwin, Susan Jones,
Mervin McElwain, Wallace Rons,
Rick Shaffer

Q&A Concerning “Who Is Entitled To Vote At The Annual Meeting”

Q: May I have my child, relative or neighbor vote in my place?

No, Craw-Kan’s bylaws do not allow proxy voting.

Q: Can an administrator or a person with power of attorney vote?

Yes, providing the member has the proper credentials at the time of the Annual Meeting registration.

Q: If I own a business and have a residence, may I have two votes?

No, if you are the sole owner you are considered one member and therefore, have only one vote. However if you are in a partnership or a corporation that business will have one vote and you would have one vote.

Capital Credit Checks To Be Distributed Before Christmas!

Again this year, your President will make an announcement at the Annual Meeting concerning the amount of capital credits which will be distributed this year.

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FOUR NOMINEES TO BE VOTED ON AT THE ANNUAL MEETING ON OCT. 25 2012

Three directors will be elected for a term of three years each. Below is a brief description of each nominee. We would like to point out that additional nominations may be made from the floor by any member.



Frank Dunnick

Frank Dunnick is a resident of Girard, Kansas. Frank is a native of the small town of McCune, where he served as mayor. He is currently chairman of the Southeast Kansas Bancshares Holding Company, which owns Prescott State Bank, Exchange State Bank of St. Paul, Exchange State Bank of Girard, and Exchange State Bank of Columbus. Mr. Dunnick served as the President of the Girard Chamber of Commerce as well as the city’s mayor. At one time Mr. Dunnick held the office of National President of the Alumni Association for Pittsburg State University. In 1991, Governor Joan Finney appointed Mr. Dunnick the 43rd State Bank Commissioner of Kansas, a position he held for four years. The position regulated approximately 24 billion dollars of bank assets. He is currently a member of the Foundation Board of PSU and a member of the Girard Community Foundation. Frank is a former President of the Community Foundation of SEK. He was also one of the founders of the Girard Community Foundation. He has served on the Craw-Kan Telephone Board of Directors since 1982, and currently serves as Secretary/Treasurer of the Craw-Kan Board.

John Kovacic

John Kovacic is a resident of rural Girard. A native of Girard, he attended the Girard schools before furthering his education at Pittsburg State University. John began in the Crawford County Treasurer’s Office as an Assistant County Treasurer in 1972. He was Deputy County Treasurer for one year before being elected as Crawford County Treasurer in 1975. John retired in 2005 after serving Crawford county for 30 years. He is a member of SNPJ lodge #255 in Arma and Sons of the American Legion in Girard. John is also a member of the National Association of County Treasurers and Finance Officers. In 1998, Mr. Kovacic became a certified finance officer through the University of Tennessee. John has served on the board since 2003.



Sharon Starr

Sharon Starr is a resident of Girard and a native of Russell, Kansas where she attended grade school and graduated from Russel High School. Sharon is married to retired teacher Gary Starr. Sharon has served on the Girard Chamber of Commerce as well as serving as president of Beta Sigma Phi sorority in Pittsburg, Kansas. She is an active member of the Haderlein school reading program, a member of Living Faith Church in Girard, and Garden Club of Pittsburg. Sharon retired from Wal-Mart after 30 years of service as a Customer Service Manager. Sharon has served as a director on the Craw-Kan board since 2006.



Stan Lips

Stan Lips is a resident of Craw-Kan’s Bartlett exchange, where he has lived and farmed for fifty years. During that time Mr. Lips has served on several boards, including USD 506 School Board, Rural Water District #8, Bartlett Co-Op, and President of Farm Bureau. Stan has been married 53 years and has three daughters and six grandchildren. A long-time member himself, Mr. Lips would like the opportunity to serve the cooperative as an elected member of the Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative board of directors.



NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBERS OF CRAW-KAN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Cooperative will be held in the cafeteria at the Girard High School, 401-415 North Summit, Girard, KS, on Thursday, October 25, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., to take action upon the following matters.

1. Report of Officers, Directors and Committees.
2. Election of Three Directors of the Cooperative.
3. All other business which may come before the meeting or any adjournment or adjournments thereof.

In connection with the election of directors scheduled for the meeting, the following members have been nominated by the nominating committee or by petition. Three directors will be elected.

THREE YEAR TERMS-ELECT THREE

Frank Dunnick.....(Urban) Girard
John Kovacic.....(Rural) Girard
Sharon Starr.....(Rural) Girard
Stan Lips.....(Rural) Bartlett

CRAW-KAN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

(Signed).....Frank Dunnick
Secretary

PRESENT DIRECTORS OF THE COOPERATIVE

President, Barry Bedene.....(Urban) Arma
Vice-President, Mary Smith.....(Urban) Hepler
Sec.-Treas., Frank Dunnick.....(Urban) Girard
Wilda Pentola.....(Rural) Farlington
John Kovacic.....(Rural) Girard
Terry Kunstel.....(Rural) Arcadia
Jim O’Toole.....(Rural) Girard
Roger Doue.....(Urban) Arma
Sharon Starr.....(Rural) Girard

Dear Member:

Enclosed is your official notice of the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. The meeting will be held in the cafeteria in the Girard High School (north entrance), 401-405 North Summit, Girard, KS, October 25, 2012.

Registration of members will begin at 5:30 p.m. All subscribers are welcome at the annual meeting and are urged to attend. Only qualified members will be allowed to participate in the actual business session of the annual meeting.

A short but important business meeting will be the first item on the program. Reports will be made by the officers and the manager. Election of the three directors will follow this session.

Following the program, a drawing, will be held for door prizes in the

amount of \$3000.00. Only members present are eligible.

We extend an invitation to you to attend the 60th Annual Meeting and exercise your vote in the business affairs of the Cooperative on October 25, 2012.

Very Truly Yours,
Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

Barry Bedene
President

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS OF CRAW-KAN TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

The Annual Meeting of the members of Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative, Inc. was held in the Cafeteria at the Girard High School, 401 – 415 North Summit, Girard, Kansas at 7:30 P.M., October 26, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by Barry Bedene, President of the Cooperative, who presided and Frank Dunnick, Secretary of the Cooperative, kept the minutes thereof.

The Secretary reported 324 members were present in person constituting a quorum of the Cooperative

The Secretary presented and read a copy of the notice of the meeting together with proof of due mailing thereof to all members of the Cooperative and such notice and proof were ordered to be annexed to the minutes of this meeting.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting of the members held October 27, 2010 were presented to the members in printed form and upon motion duly made and seconded they were adopted as printed.

Craig Wilbert, General Manager, presented in printed form the Balance Sheet and Operating Statement for the Cooperative and Craw-Kan Communication Systems, Inc. for the year 2010 and gave explanation of various items on the reports. Upon motion duly made and seconded the reports were approved as printed.

The President of the Board next asked the members for any new business items. There was no new business.

The President then gave his report and announced that a retirement of capital credits would be made this year. A retirement of capital credits will be made in the amount of \$2,541,600.75. This retirement consists of 11% of 1996 and 37% of 2010. He also noted that since 1982, \$65,012,823.74 in capital credits have been paid to our members.

The General Manager then presented his annual report, followed by a question and answer session.

The Chairman advised the next order of business would be voting by the members for three Directors to hold office until the next Annual Meeting of the members or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. The Chairman stated that in accordance with the by-laws, the Board of Directors had on August 23, 2011 appointed a nominating committee. He pointed out that the

three elected will hold office for a three year term.

The President read the nominating committee’s report nominating the following members:

Barry Bedene
James O’Toole
Jack Beezley
Wilda Pentola
Ronald Brust

The President then stated that according to the by-laws, nominations could be made from the floor. No nominations were made from the floor. After the required length of time, a motion was duly made and seconded that nominations be closed. The President then appointed the following inspectors of election.

Carla Bryan Girard
Joe Kennedy Girard
Marcel Normand Arma
Gary Brown McCune
Gerald Butler Girard
Regina Butler Girard
Joan Barbieri Arma
Kathy Coonrod McCune

A vote of Directors was then had by ballot and the ballots were delivered to the inspectors who proceeded to count the same.

The Certificate of the Inspectors of Election was then presented and read certifying that the following nominees received the number of votes opposite their names:

Barry Bedene 208
Jack Beezley 168
Ronald Brust 62
James O’Toole 225
Wilda Pentola 221

We further certify that the following persons were duly elected as directors to hold office until the Annual Meeting of members in 2014 or until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified:

Barry Bedene
James O’Toole
Wilda Pentola

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded the meeting was adjourned.

Frank Dunnick, Secretary

Barry Bedene, President