

AUDITED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION  
AND SUBSIDIARY  
LAFAYETTE, TENNESSEE

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors  
North Central Telephone  
Cooperative Corporation  
Lafayette, Tennessee

**Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying consolidated financial statements of North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation (a Tennessee corporation) and subsidiary which comprise the consolidated balance sheets as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the results of their operations and their cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with the accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

**Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

**Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.



In preparing the consolidated financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the consolidated financial statements are available to be issued.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgement made by a reasonable user based on the consolidated financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgement and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgement, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.



## Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, we have also issued our report dated March 5, 2025 on our consideration of North Central Telephone Cooperative and subsidiary's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of our audits.

*Sotherow, Hails, & Welch, PLLC*

Certified Public Accountants  
McMinnville, Tennessee  
March 5, 2025

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<u>ASSETS</u>		
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash - general	\$ 42,278,060	\$ 50,966,103
Temporary cash investments	40,894,229	20,302,049
Telecommunications accounts receivable, less allowances of \$51,040 in 2024 and \$108,539 in 2023	1,231,495	1,296,727
Other accounts receivable	13,589	175,719
Materials and supplies	3,154,049	4,043,981
Other current assets	<u>695,903</u>	<u>644,239</u>
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 88,267,325	\$ 77,428,818
<u>NONCURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Investments	\$ 13,929,672	\$ 14,029,295
Nonregulated investments	<u>237,007</u>	<u>310,764</u>
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	\$ 14,166,679	\$ 14,340,059
<u>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</u>		
Telecommunications plant in service	\$ 228,852,613	\$ 222,107,433
Telecommunications plant under construction	<u>12,185,455</u>	<u>6,807,613</u>
	\$ 241,038,068	\$ 228,915,046
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>153,086,494</u>	<u>143,096,525</u>
TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	<u>\$ 87,951,574</u>	<u>\$ 85,818,521</u>
	<u>\$ 190,385,578</u>	<u>\$ 177,587,398</u>

See the accompanying independent accountants' report and notes to the financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
<u>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY</u>		
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,352,787	\$ 1,764,079
Advance billings and payments	539,108	524,740
Customer deposits	939,657	933,877
Current maturities on long-term debt	3,981,151	3,923,208
Accrued federal and state taxes	794,400	263,471
Accrued interest	121,113	83,594
Accrued rents	8,493	800,248
Accrued salaries and wages	207,875	167,608
Accrued property taxes	0	55,019
Accrued vacation and sick leave benefits	1,559,171	1,446,016
Other current liabilities	928,797	937,314
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TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$ 11,432,552	\$ 10,899,174
 <u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>		
Rural Utilities Service	11,855,049	15,820,950
 <u>OTHER LIABILITIES</u>		
Postretirement benefits other than pension	3,152,919	6,887,291
Deferred taxes	1,888,978	1,781,730
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 28,329,498	\$ 35,389,145
 <u>MEMBERS' EQUITY</u>		
Patronage capital	\$ 164,718,384	\$ 147,755,500
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(2,662,304)	(5,557,247)
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TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY	\$ 162,056,080	\$ 142,198,253
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	<u>\$ 190,385,578</u>	<u>\$ 177,587,398</u>

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Operating revenues:		
Local network services revenue	\$ 3,682,972	\$ 3,981,742
Network access services revenue	21,214,537	19,980,677
Long distance network services revenue	548,668	316,053
Miscellaneous revenue	<u>2,191,264</u>	<u>2,413,228</u>
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	\$27,637,441	\$26,691,700
Operating expenses:		
Plant specific operations expense	\$ 8,048,326	\$ 7,848,502
Plant nonspecific operations expense	2,054,638	2,035,626
Provision for depreciation and amortization	10,354,712	10,052,371
Customer operations expense	3,148,172	3,127,088
Corporate operations expense	3,264,261	3,529,691
Operating taxes	<u>1,012,125</u>	<u>828,356</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	<u>\$27,882,234</u>	<u>\$27,421,634</u>
OPERATING LOSS	\$ (244,793)	\$ (729,934)
Other income:		
Income from investments	\$ 237,034	\$ 954,623
Interest income	3,421,095	2,158,804
Nonregulated income	15,789,035	13,496,967
Rent income	<u>18,000</u>	<u>18,000</u>
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$19,465,164	\$16,628,394

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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Fixed charges:		
Interest expense	\$ 797,468	\$ 953,852
Interest charged to construction - credit	<u>(151,090)</u>	<u>(35,000)</u>
TOTAL FIXED CHARGES	<u>\$ 646,378</u>	<u>\$ 918,852</u>
INCOME BEFORE TAXES ON INCOME	\$ 18,573,993	\$ 14,979,608
Taxes on income	<u>1,611,109</u>	<u>1,521,727</u>
NET INCOME	<u><u>\$ 16,962,884</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 13,457,881</u></u>



CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

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	2024	2023
Net income	\$ 16,962,884	\$ 13,457,881
Other comprehensive income (loss):		
Postretirement benefit other than pension:		
Unrecognized prior service cost	(270,000)	(270,000)
Unrecognized (loss) gain on assets	<u>3,164,943</u>	<u>5,916,040</u>
COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	<u>\$ 19,857,827</u>	<u>\$ 19,103,921</u>

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS' EQUITY

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	Patronage Capital	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total Members' Equity
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$ 135,490,947	\$ (11,203,287)	\$ 124,287,660
Net income for 2023	13,457,882	0	13,457,882
Capital Credits paid, applied and forfeited	(1,193,329)	0	(1,193,329)
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Postretirement benefit other than pension:			
Unrecognized prior service cost	0	(270,000)	(270,000)
Unrecognized loss	0	5,916,040	5,916,040
	0	5,916,040	5,916,040
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$ 147,755,500	\$ (5,557,247)	\$ 142,198,253
Net income for 2024	16,962,884	0	16,962,884
Capital credits paid, applied and forfeited	0	0	0
Other comprehensive income (loss):			
Postretirement benefit other than pension:			
Unrecognized prior service cost	0	(270,000)	(270,000)
Unrecognized loss	0	3,164,943	3,164,943
	0	3,164,943	3,164,943
Balance at December 31, 2024	\$ 164,718,384	\$ (2,662,304)	\$ 162,056,080

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Cash received from customers	\$ 27,882,803	\$ 26,528,551
Cash paid to suppliers and employees	(16,610,835)	(16,495,177)
Interest received	3,421,095	2,158,804
Interest paid	(608,859)	(889,827)
Taxes paid	(2,040,076)	(1,017,580)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	\$ 12,044,128	\$ 10,284,771
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Construction and acquisition of plant	\$ (12,487,765)	\$ (9,686,874)
Plant removal costs	0	(60,513)
Increase in investments	(20,646,960)	(9,610,109)
Cash distribution from investments	391,437	94,858
Investment in nonregulated CPE	73,757	3,277
Decrease (Increase) in:		
Materials and supplies	889,932	480,422
Nonregulated income	15,789,035	13,496,967
NET CASH USED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES	\$ (15,990,564)	\$ (5,281,972)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Payments on notes payable and long-term borrowings	(3,907,958)	(2,836,628)
Postretirement benefits other than pension	(839,429)	(89,534)
Capital credits paid	0	(1,193,329)
Increase in customer deposits	5,780	75,065
NET CASH USED BY FINANCING ACTIVITIES	\$ (4,741,607)	\$ (4,044,426)
NET INCREASE IN CASH	\$ (8,688,043)	\$ 958,373
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	50,966,103	50,007,730
CASH AT END OF YEAR	\$ 42,278,060	\$ 50,966,103

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

For the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Net income	\$16,962,884	\$13,457,882
Nonregulated income	(15,789,035)	(13,496,967)
Income from investments	<u>(237,034)</u>	<u>(954,623)</u>
Net Income (Loss) from regulated operations	\$ 936,815	\$ (993,708)
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) from regulated operations to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	\$10,354,712	\$10,052,371
Deferred taxes on income	107,248	868,430
Decrease (Increase) in:		
Customer and accounts receivable	227,362	(181,150)
Current and accrued assets - other	(51,664)	64,391
Refundable tax deposit	0	799,889
Increase (Decrease) in:		
Accounts payable	588,708	(437,529)
Advance billings and payments	14,368	8,231
Accrued federal and state taxes	530,929	(335,206)
Accrued interest	37,519	29,025
Accrued rents	(791,755)	52,722
Accrued salaries and employee benefits	153,422	98,078
Accrued property taxes	(55,019)	(610)
Other current liabilities	<u>(8,517)</u>	<u>259,837</u>
TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	<u>\$11,107,313</u>	<u>\$11,278,479</u>
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>\$12,044,128</u>	<u>\$10,284,771</u>



## NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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Note A – North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary provides retail telecommunications services to Macon County, Tennessee and surrounding counties including a portion of southern Kentucky. North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary has adopted the following accounting policies:

- (1) **Principles of Consolidation:**  
North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation (Cooperative) owns 100% of the outstanding common stock of North Central Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries (Subsidiary). North Central Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries were formed for the purpose of providing long distance and other telecommunication services, computer sales, leasing services and rental services. The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of North Central Communications, Inc. and subsidiaries. All significant intercompany accounts and transactions have been eliminated in consolidation.
- (2) The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.
- (3) For purposes of financial statement presentation, the Cooperative and subsidiary consider all highly-liquid investments with a maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents. Cash equivalents consist primarily of treasury bills and notes and commercial paper with original maturities of 90 days or less. Certificates of deposit and other securities with original maturities over 90 days are classified as temporary investments.
- (4) Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a charge to earnings and a credit to the allowance for doubtful accounts based on its assessment of the current status of individual accounts. Balances still outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the allowance for doubtful accounts and a credit to accounts receivable. No interest is charged on accounts receivable balances that are past due. Past due accounts receivable are based upon contractual terms as defined on customer invoices. Accounts receivable past due 90 days or more amounted to \$53,692 and \$48,645 at December 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

The allowance for doubtful accounts is based upon a credit review of the accounts receivable, past bad debt experience, current economic conditions and other pertinent factors which form a basis for determining the adequacy of the allowance. The allowance represents an estimate based upon these and other factors and, it is at least reasonably possible that a change in the estimate will occur in the near term.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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Note A – (Cont'd):

- (5) Material and supplies are valued at average cost accumulated in perpetual inventory records, which are periodically adjusted to physical counts.
- (6) Employee vacation and sick leave benefits are accrued as the benefits are earned according to an established policy.
- (7) Revenue is recorded upon the billing of telecommunication services net of sales tax.
- (8) The Cooperative's expenditures for maintenance and repairs are charged to operations as they are incurred and betterments are capitalized. Original costs of properties retired are eliminated from property accounts and removal costs are charged to the allowance for depreciation. Salvage value of retired property is credited to the allowance for depreciation.
- (9) Advertising costs are charged to expense as incurred. These costs amounted to \$133,594 in 2024 and \$191,479 in 2023
- (10) Various amounts in the financial statements have been reclassified for comparative purposes.
- (11) The Company has adopted Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") 2014-09 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and all subsequent amendments ("ASC 606") which creates a single framework for recognizing revenue from contracts that fall within its scope. Under the standard, the core principle will be achieved by 1) identifying the contract with the customer, 2) identifying the performance obligation, 3) determining the transaction price, 4) allocating the transaction price to the performance obligation, and 5) recognizing revenue when the entity satisfies a performance obligations.
- (12) In February 2016, the FASB issued ASU 2016-02, Leases (Topic 842), which supersedes existing guidance for accounting for leases under Topic 840, Leases. The FASB also subsequently issued the following additional ASUs, which amend and clarify Topic 842: ASU 2018-01, Land Easement Practical Expedient for Transition to Topic 842; ASU 2018-10, Codification Improvements to Topic 842, Leases; ASU 2018-11, Leases (Topic 842): Targeted Improvements; ASU 2018-20, Narrow-scope Improvements for Lessors; and ASU 2019-01, Leases (Topic 842): Codification Improvements. The most significant change in the new leasing guidance is the requirement to recognize right-to-use (ROU) assets and lease liabilities for operating leases on the balance sheet.

The Company elected to adopt this ASU effective January 1, 2022 and utilized all of the available practical expedients. The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company's balance sheet or income statement.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

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Note A – (Cont'd):

- (13) In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) issued Accounting Standards Update (“ASU”) No. 2016-13, Financial Instruments-Credit Losses (Topic 326): Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments (“ASU 2016” or “ASC 326”). ASU 2016-13 revises the accounting requirements related to the measurement of credit losses and requires organizations to measure all expected credit losses for financial assets based on historical experience, current conditions, and reasonable and supportable forecasts about collectability. Assets must be presented in the financial statements at the net amount expected to be collected.

The Company elected to adopt this ASU effective January 1, 2023 and utilized all of the available practical expedients. The adoption did not have a material impact on the Company’s balance sheet and income statement.

Note B – Analysis of the Allowance for Credit Losses

Balance at the beginning of the year	\$ 108,539
Provision for expected credit losses in the current year	36,000
Collections of accounts receivable previously written off	45,128
Write-offs against the allowance	<u>(138,661)</u>
Balance at the end of the year	<u>\$ 51,006</u>

Note C – Concentrations of Credit Risks:

Deposits

The Cooperative and Subsidiary maintains its cash in several commercial banks located within its trade area. Accounts are guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) up to \$250,000. Approximately \$86,801,769 was uninsured at December 31, 2024.

Restricted cash consists of employees’ savings and flex plan accounts in which \$21,052 has been deposited.

Accounts receivable

Telecommunications services are provided to the customers within its trade area on a credit basis in the ordinary course of business. Generally, the accounts receivable generated by the sale of these services are unsecured.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

Note D – Investments:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
NECA Services, Inc. stock - at cost	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Investment in Bluegrass Network, LLC (20%)	9,497,542	9,467,354
Investment in Bluegrass Telecom, LLC (20%)	0	342,042
Qualified patronage capital certificates – NRTC	15,995	18,371
Tennessee 220 MHZ Radio	147,224	147,224
Tennessee Independent Telecom Group (IRIS Networks) (11.97%)	2,514,823	2,242,460
Foursight Communications, LLC d/b/a Trilight	1,333,377	1,426,689
CBRS Spectrum	215,699	256,024
Life Insurance Trust	195,012	109,131
Synergy Wireless, Inc. – at cost	<u>0</u>	<u>10,000</u>
	<u>\$13,929,672</u>	<u>\$14,029,295</u>

Ownership percentages are in parentheses for investments in which North Central Communications, Inc. owns a significant portion of the investment. All other investments are carried at cost. Investments carried at cost are not normally evaluated for impairment because it is not practical to estimate fair value due to insufficient information being available. An evaluation is performed, however, if economic or market concerns warrant such an evaluation.

Consideration is given to (1) the length of time and the extent to which the fair value has been less than cost, (2) the financial condition and near-term prospects of the issuer, and (3) the intent or ability of the Company to retain its investment in the issuer for a period of time sufficient to allow for any anticipated recovery of fair value.

Management has not identified any circumstances that may have a significant adverse effect on the fair value of any cost method investment.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

Note D – Investments (Cont'd):

The following is a summary as of December 31, 2024 of selected financial information from the financial statements of the investments in which North Central Communications, Inc. owns a significant percentage:

	<u>Bluegrass Network, LLC</u>	<u>Tennessee Independent Telecom Group</u>	<u>Foursight Communications, LLC d/b/a Trilight</u>
Total assets	\$ 48,298,119	\$32,403,331	\$ 9,701,729
Total liabilities	\$ 810,400	\$13,186,961	\$ 4,297,906
Total equity	\$ 47,487,718	\$19,216,370	\$ 5,403,823
Net income	\$ 151,019	\$ 2,275,767	\$ (777,598)

Note E – Nonregulated investments:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Nonregulated customer premises equipment	\$10,709,556	\$10,726,888
Less accumulated provisions for depreciation	<u>10,472,549</u>	<u>10,416,124</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$ 237,007</u>	<u>\$310,764</u>

Nonregulated customer premises equipment is stated at cost. The Cooperative provides for depreciation on a straight-line basis at an annual rate of depreciation, which will amortize the cost of the equipment over its estimated useful life.

NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024 and 2023

Note F – Telephone plant in service and under construction is stated at cost. Listed below are the major classes of the telephone plant as of December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Land	\$ 850,109	\$ 799,654
Buildings	11,887,265	11,790,698
Central office equipment	57,965,971	55,647,155
Outside plant network	124,686,753	124,060,796
Furniture and office equipment	3,133,330	3,070,169
Vehicles and other work equipment	<u>6,067,246</u>	<u>5,449,106</u>
Telecommunications plant in service as contained on the Cooperative's records	\$ 204,590,674	\$200,817,578
Land	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
Building	3,843,965	990,550
CATV equipment	3,433,005	3,433,005
Central office equipment	4,961,045	4,852,323
Outside plant network	10,972,765	10,972,766
Equipment	1,007,354	997,408
Office furniture and fixtures	<u>8,803</u>	<u>8,803</u>
Telecommunications plant in service as contained on the Subsidiary's records	<u>\$ 24,261,939</u>	<u>\$ 21,289,855</u>
Total telecommunications plant in service	<u>\$228,852,611</u>	<u>\$222,107,433</u>

The Cooperative provides for depreciation on a straight-line basis of annual rates, which will amortize the depreciable property over its estimated useful life. Such provision as a percentage of the average balance of telephone plant in service was 4.45 percent for 2024 and 4.53 percent for 2023. The provision for depreciation in 2024 and 2023 was \$9,012,010 and \$9,001,150, respectively.

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NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

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Note F – (Cont'd):

Individual plant depreciation rates are as follows:

	<u>Percent</u>
Buildings	2.6
Central office equipment	6.7 – 21.0
Public telephone equipment	15.1
Poles, cable and wire	1.7 – 8.8
Furniture and office equipment	6.7 – 16.4
Vehicles and other work equipment	6.4 – 10.8
DBS and internet equipment	18.8

The Subsidiary provides for depreciation on a straight-line basis at annual rates, which will amortize the depreciable property over its useful life. Depreciation charged to expense on the Subsidiary's records amounted to \$1,342,702 in 2024 and \$1,051,221 in 2023.

Note G – A description of notes payable follows:

Notes Payable:

Long-term debt is represented by mortgage notes payable to the United States of America. Substantially all assets are pledged as security for the long-term debt.

The following is a summary of outstanding long-term debt:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
1.35% to 2.36% Rural Utilities Service notes, matures December 31, 2025	\$ 2,853,448	\$ 5,662,012
1.93% to 3.99% Rural Utilities Service notes, matures June 17, 2031	2,979,483	3,412,995
2.91-3.24% Rural Utilities Service notes, matures October 5, 2037	10,003,269	10,669,151
	\$ 15,836,200	\$ 19,744,158
Less current maturities	3,981,151	3,923,208
TOTAL	\$ 11,855,049	\$ 15,820,950

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Note G – (Cont'd):

Principal and interest installments on the above notes are due quarterly and monthly. The Rural Utilities Service notes have various maturity dates.

Long-term debt matures as follows:

<u>Year ending December 31,</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 3,981,151
2026	1,155,350
2027	1,183,737
2028	1,208,207
2029	1,242,814
Beyond five years	<u>7,064,941</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$15,836,200</u>

Note H – The Cooperative has adopted the retirement and security program of the National Telephone Cooperative Association as a pension plan covering all employees meeting certain age and length of service requirements for which it pays approximately 80% of the cost. The Cooperative funds the pension plan by making monthly contributions into the program based on salaries. The Cooperative's cost was \$1,299,001 for 2024 and \$1,405,865 for 2023.

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Note I – As required by the Retirement Benefit Topic of the FASB ASC, the Cooperative accrues all postretirement benefits other than pensions. Under the prescribed accrual method, the Cooperative's obligation for these postretirement benefits is to be fully accrued by the date employees attain full eligibility for such benefits. The cost of medical benefits for current and future associate retirees was recognized as determined under the projected united credit cost method.

Substantially all of the Cooperative's employees are covered under postretirement medical plans. The determination of postretirement benefit cost for postretirement medical benefit plan is based on comprehensive hospital, medical and surgical benefit provisions.

The following table sets forth the plan's funded status and the amounts recognized in the Cooperative's Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Accumulated postretirement obligation attributable to:		
Retirees	\$ 11,865,466	\$ 12,385,433
Fully eligible plan participants	849,125	1,181,697
Other active plan participants	<u>12,827,798</u>	<u>13,064,810</u>
Total accumulated postretirement benefit obligation	\$ 25,542,389	\$26,631,9406
Fair value of plan assets	<u>(22,389,470)</u>	<u>(19,744,649)</u>
Net unfunded status	<u>\$ 3,152,919</u>	<u>\$ 6,887,291</u>
Amounts recognized in other comprehensive income (loss):		
Unrecognized prior service cost	\$ 877,100	\$ 1,417,100
Unrecognized net loss	<u>(3,539,404)</u>	<u>(6,704,347)</u>
Total included in other comprehensive income (loss)	<u>\$ (2,662,304)</u>	<u>\$ (5,557,247)</u>

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Note I – (Cont'd):

Postretirement benefit cost is composed of the following for the year ended December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Benefits earned during the year	\$ 820,379	\$ 964,401
Interest on accumulated postretirement benefit obligation	1,272,148	1,178,443
Expected return on plan assets	<u>(1,480,849)</u>	<u>(1,277,327)</u>
Postretirement benefit cost	<u>\$ 611,678</u>	<u>\$ 865,517</u>

The Medicare and Prescription Drug, Improvement and Modernization Act of 2003 provides for a federal subsidy to sponsors of retiree health care benefit plans that provide a benefit that is at least actuarially equivalent to the benefit established by the law. Currently, for the plan, the Medicare Part D Subsidy is a reduction to premiums paid for by participants that are at least 65 years old. For 2024, premiums for this group of participants were approximately \$50 less than it would have been without the adjustment.

Weighted average assumptions to determine benefit obligations and net periodic cost for the years ended December 31:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Discount rate	5.51%	4.80%
Rate of compensation increase	3.00%	3.00%
Expected return on plan assets	7.50%	7.50%

The Cooperative's expected rate of return on plan assets is determined by the plan's historical long-term investment performance, current asset allocation, and estimates of future long-term return by asset class.

The medical cost trend rate in 2024 was approximately 7.5% grading down to an ultimate rate in 2032 of 4.0%. A one percentage point increase in the assumed medical cost trend rates for each future year would have increased the aggregate of the service and the interest components of the 2024 net periodic postretirement benefit cost by \$400,991 and would have increased the postretirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 2024 by \$3,882,009.

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Note I – (Cont'd):

A one percentage point decrease in the assumed medical cost trend rates for each future year would have decreased the aggregate of the service and the interest components of the 2024 net periodic postretirement benefit cost by \$311,117 and would have decreased the postretirement benefit obligation as of December 31, 2024 by \$3,122,738.

The plan attempts to mitigate investment risks by balancing between equity and debt classes of investments. Currently, the plan is invested in mutual funds with a target allocation of approximately 65% domestic and international stocks, 15% investment grade bonds, 10% high yield bonds, and 10% real estate. Although changes in interest rates may affect the fair value of a portion of the investment portfolio and cause unrealized gains and losses, such gains and losses would not be realized unless the investments are sold.

The following benefit payments, which reflect expected future service, as appropriate, are expected to be paid from the plan:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2025	\$ 1,109,165
2026	1,116,854
2027	1,086,978
2028	1,125,940
2029	1,181,991
Years 2030 – 2034	<u>7,394,771</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$13,015,699</u>

The Cooperative contributed \$600,000 in 2024 and anticipates making monthly contributions to the plan in 2025.

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Note J – As required by the Income Tax Topic of FASB ASC, the Company recognizes deferred tax assets and liabilities for future tax consequences of events that have been previously recognized in the Company's financial statements and tax returns. The measurement of deferred tax assets and liabilities is based on provisions of the enacted tax law; the effects of future changes in tax laws or rates are not anticipated. Measurement is computed using applicable current tax rates.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Current income tax expense:		
Federal	\$ 1,178,822	\$ 454,705
State	325,639	198,592
Deferred income tax expense:		
Federal	59,174	659,033
State	<u>48,074</u>	<u>209,397</u>
Income tax expense	<u>\$ 1,611,109</u>	<u>\$1,521,727</u>

The Company's total deferred tax assets and liabilities at December 31 are as follows:

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Net deferred tax liability	<u>\$(1,888,978)</u>	<u>\$(1,781,730)</u>

The deferred tax asset is primarily the result of net operating losses that are carried forward for state income tax reporting purposes from North Central Communication's investment in its wholly owned subsidiaries. The deferred tax liability is the result of timing differences related to the difference in financial reporting depreciation and income tax depreciation.

The individual companies included in the consolidation are responsible for their own tax liabilities. All companies are no longer subject to Internal Revenue or state taxing authority examinations beyond the statute of limitations for the respective taxing authorities. Penalties and interest, if any, that are assessed by income tax authorities are included in operating expenses. No interest or penalties were recognized during the years ending December 31, 2024 and 2023.

Note K – Labor Force

Approximately 80% of the Cooperative's labor force is subject to a collective bargaining agreement. An agreement was approved for the period July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2025 between the Cooperative and the Communications Workers of America.

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Note L – Deferred Compensation

The Cooperative has implemented a deferred compensation plan for certain management personnel. The plan is maintained by Wells Fargo. Under the terms of the plan, an amount determined by the Board of Directors of the Cooperative will be paid to an account established on behalf of the management personnel. The deferred compensation is to be paid to the individuals upon retirement or other reasons of discontinued service to the Cooperative.

Note M – Revenue from Contracts with Customers:

Revenue is measured as the amount of consideration the Company expects to receive in exchange for transferring goods or providing services to its customers. The Company's revenue consists of sales of communication services and video services provided to the customers.

The Company offers landline telephone, including calling features, long distance and broadband connectivity (internet), network access revenue and video services on a standalone basis or in bundled service packages. Each service is considered distinct and therefore, are accounted for as separate performance obligations. Local service revenue is recognized over time according to the contract, as the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the Company as the Company performs. Unbundled landline telephone requires no written contract. Customary terms require payment within 20 days from the bill date, and for customers, deposits may be required in advance of service. Billing is completed at the beginning of the month of service.

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Note M – (Cont'd)

The following table presents the Company's revenues disaggregated by the timing of such service revenue recognized during the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Local service revenue	\$ 3,682,972	\$ 3,981,742
Network access services	21,214,537	19,980,677
Long distance services	548,668	316,053
Internet and DSL revenue	29,423,340	25,740,218
Video revenue	5,858,879	6,245,730

These amounts do not include revenues outside the scope of Topic 606. Therefore, revenue line items in this table may not agree to amounts presented in the statements of operations and retained earnings.

Accounting polices

For sales and other similar taxes collected from customers on behalf of third parties, the Company is applying an accounting policy election, which permits an entity to exclude from revenue (transaction price) any amounts collected from customers on behalf of governmental authorities, such as sales taxes, use tax and other similar taxes collected concurrent with revenue-producing activities. Therefore, the Company presents revenue net of sales taxes and similar revenue-based taxes.

Practical Expedient

The Company elected to use the portfolio approach to evaluate contracts. As a practical expedient, a portfolio approach is permitted if it is reasonably expected that the approach's impact on the financial statements will not be materially different from the impact of applying the revenue standard on an individual contract basis. In order to use the portfolio approach, an entity must reasonably expect that the accounting result will not be materially different from the result of applying the standard to the individual contracts.

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Note M – (Cont'd)

For significant financing components, the Company elected a practical expedient, which allows an entity to recognize the promised amount of consideration without adjusting for the time value of money if the contract has a duration of one year or less, or if the reason the contract extended beyond one year is because the timing of delivery of the product is at the customer's discretion. As the Company's contracts are typically less than one year in length and do not have significant financing components, we have not presented revenue on a present value basis.

For sales and other similar taxes collected from customers on behalf of third parties, the company elected a practical expedient, which permits entities to exclude from the transaction price all sales taxes that are assessed by a governmental authority and that are "imposed on, and concurrent with a specific revenue-producing transaction and collected by the entity from a customer".

For measuring progress for revenue recognized over time, the Company elected to use the right to invoice practical expedient. This practical expedient allows an entity to recognize revenue in the amount of consideration to which the entity has the right to invoice when the amount that the entity has the right to invoice corresponds directly to the value transferred to the customer. That is, the invoice practical expedient cannot be applied in all circumstances because the right to invoice a certain amount does not always correspond to the progress toward satisfying the performance obligation. Therefore, an entity should demonstrate its ability to apply the invoice practical expedient to performance obligations satisfied over time.

Note N – Subsequent events are transactions or events that occur subsequent to the date of the financial statements and before the issuance of those financial statements. Management has evaluated transactions and events that occurred subsequent to December 31, 2024 and before the date these financial statements were available to be issued, March 5, 2025, and determined that no additional disclosures are necessary.

CONSOLIDATING INFORMATION

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON CONSOLIDATING INFORMATION

Board of Directors  
North Central Telephone  
Cooperative Corporation  
Lafayette, Tennessee

We have audited the consolidated financial statements of North Central Telephone Cooperative Corporation and subsidiary as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023, and our report thereon dated March 5, 2025, which expresses an unmodified opinion on those financial statements, appears on page 5. Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the consolidated financial statements taken as a whole. The consolidating information in Schedules 1, 2 and 3 is presented for purposes of additional analysis of the consolidated financial statements rather than to present the financial position, results of operations, and cash flows of the individual companies, and it is not a required part of the consolidated financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements. The consolidating information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the consolidated financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the consolidated financial statements or to the consolidated financial statements, themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the consolidating information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the consolidated financial statements as a whole.

*Totherow, Haile, & Welch, PLLC*

Certified Public Accountants  
McMinnville, Tennessee  
March 5, 2025

SCHEDULE 1 - CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024

	North Central Telephone Cooperative, Corp.	North Central Communications, Inc. and Subsidiaries	Reclassifications /Eliminations	Total
<u>ASSETS</u>				
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Cash - general	\$ 39,882,039	\$ 2,396,021	\$ 0	\$ 42,278,060
Temporary cash investments	22,677,054	18,217,175	0	40,894,229
Telecommunications accounts receivable	1,199,761	31,734		1,231,495
Other accounts receivable	13,589		0	13,589
Advance to related company	0	2,444,018	(2,444,018)	0
Materials and supplies	2,393,556	760,493	0	3,154,049
Other current assets	625,191	70,712	0	695,903
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 66,791,190</b>	<b>\$ 23,920,153</b>	<b>\$ (2,444,018)</b>	<b>\$ 88,267,325</b>
<u>NONCURRENT ASSETS</u>				
Investment in subsidiary	\$ 50,568,974	\$ 0	\$ (50,568,974)	\$ 0
Investments	259,412	13,670,260	0	13,929,672
Nonregulated investments	237,007	0	0	237,007
<b>TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>\$ 51,065,393</b>	<b>\$ 13,670,260</b>	<b>\$ (50,568,974)</b>	<b>\$ 14,166,679</b>
<u>PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</u>				
Telecommunications plant in service	\$ 204,590,674	\$ 24,261,939	\$ 0	\$ 228,852,613
Telecommunications plant under construction	8,387,311	3,798,144	0	12,185,455
	\$ 212,977,985	\$ 28,060,083	\$ 0	\$ 241,038,068
Less accumulated depreciation	141,945,608	11,140,886	0	153,086,494
<b>TOTAL PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT</b>	<b>\$ 71,032,377</b>	<b>\$ 16,919,197</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 87,951,574</b>
	<u>\$ 188,888,960</u>	<u>\$ 54,509,610</u>	<u>\$ (53,012,992)</u>	<u>\$ 190,385,578</u>

SCHEDULE 1 - CONSOLIDATING BALANCE SHEETS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

December 31, 2024

	North Central Telephone Cooperative, Corp.	North Central Communications, Inc. and Subsidiaries	Reclassifications /Eliminations	Total
<u>LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' EQUITY</u>				
<u>CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>				
Accounts payable	\$ 1,559,781	\$ 793,006	\$ 0	\$ 2,352,787
Advance billings and payments	394,229	144,879	0	539,108
Advance from related company	2,224,280	219,737	(2,444,017)	0
Customer deposits	939,657	0	0	939,657
Current maturities on long-term debt	3,981,151	0	0	3,981,151
Accrued federal and state taxes		794,400	0	794,400
Accrued interest	121,113	0	0	121,113
Accrued rent	8,493	0	0	8,493
Accrued salaries and wages	207,875	0	0	207,875
Accrued vacation and sick leave benefits	1,559,171	0	0	1,559,171
Other current liabilities	829,162	99,635	0	928,797
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 11,824,912</b>	<b>\$ 2,051,657</b>	<b>\$ (2,444,017)</b>	<b>\$ 11,432,552</b>
<u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>				
Rural Utilities Service	11,855,049	0	0	11,855,049
<u>OTHER LIABILITIES</u>				
Postretirement benefits other than pension	3,152,919	0	0	3,152,919
Deferred tax liability	0	1,888,978	0	1,888,978
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>\$ 26,832,880</b>	<b>\$ 3,940,635</b>	<b>\$ (2,444,017)</b>	<b>\$ 28,329,498</b>
<u>MEMBERS' EQUITY</u>				
Capital stock	\$ 0	\$ 8,100,000	\$ (8,100,000)	\$ 0
Patronage capital	164,718,384	0	0	164,718,384
Accumulated comprehensive loss	(2,662,304)	0	0	(2,662,304)
Retained earnings	0	42,468,975	(42,468,975)	0
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>\$ 162,056,080</b>	<b>\$ 50,568,975</b>	<b>\$ (50,568,975)</b>	<b>\$ 162,056,080</b>
	<u>\$ 188,888,960</u>	<u>\$ 54,509,610</u>	<u>\$ (53,012,992)</u>	<u>\$ 190,385,578</u>

SCHEDULE 2 - CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

Year ended December 31, 2024

	North Central Telephone Cooperative, Corp.	North Central Communications, Inc. and Subsidiaries	Reclassifications /Eliminations	Total
<b>Operating revenues:</b>				
Local network services revenue	\$ 3,351,405	\$ 331,567	\$ 0	\$ 3,682,972
Network access service revenue	21,018,406	196,131	0	21,214,537
Long distance network services revenue	538,926	9,742	0	548,668
Internet and video revenues	17,950,096	17,332,123	(35,282,219)	0
Lease revenue	0	227,329	(227,329)	0
Miscellaneous revenue	<u>2,059,108</u>	<u>224,156</u>	<u>(92,000)</u>	<u>2,191,264</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 44,917,941</b>	<b>\$ 18,321,048</b>	<b>\$ (35,601,548)</b>	<b>\$ 27,637,441</b>
<b>Operating expenses:</b>				
Plant specific operations expense	\$ 7,810,546	\$ 465,109	\$ (227,329)	\$ 8,048,326
Plant nonspecific operations expense	2,013,946	40,692	0	2,054,638
Internet and video expenses	9,528,878	9,733,896	(19,262,774)	0
Provision for depreciation	9,012,010	1,342,702	0	10,354,712
Customer operations expense	2,853,974	294,198	0	3,148,172
Corporate operations expense	2,774,817	581,444	(92,000)	3,264,261
Operating taxes	<u>705,562</u>	<u>306,563</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,012,125</u>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 34,699,733</b>	<b>\$ 12,764,604</b>	<b>\$ (19,582,103)</b>	<b>\$ 27,882,234</b>
<b>OPERATING INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$ 10,218,208</b>	<b>\$ 5,556,444</b>	<b>\$ (16,019,445)</b>	<b>\$ (244,793)</b>

SCHEDULE 2 - CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS (CONT'D)

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

Year ended December 31, 2024

	North Central Telephone Cooperative, Corp.	North Central Communications, Inc. and Subsidiaries	Reclassifications /Eliminations	Total
<b>Other income:</b>				
Income from subsidiaries	\$ 5,231,595	\$ 0	\$ (5,231,595)	\$ 0
Income from investments	0	237,034	0	237,034
Interest & dividend income	2,403,869	1,031,226	(14,000)	3,421,095
Rental income	0	18,000	0	18,000
Nonregulated income	<u>(230,410)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>16,019,445</u>	<u>15,789,035</u>
<b>TOTAL OTHER INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 7,405,054</b>	<b>\$ 1,286,260</b>	<b>\$ 10,773,850</b>	<b>\$ 19,465,164</b>
<b>Fixed charges:</b>				
Interest expense	\$ 811,468	\$ 0	\$ (14,000)	\$ 797,468
Interest charged to construction - credit	<u>(151,090)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(151,090)</u>
<b>TOTAL FIXED CHARGES</b>	<b>\$ 660,378</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ (14,000)</b>	<b>\$ 646,378</b>
<b>INCOME BEFORE TAXES ON INCOME</b>				
Taxes on income	0	1,611,109	0	1,611,109
<b>NET INCOME</b>	<b><u>\$ 16,962,884</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 5,231,595</u></b>	<b><u>\$ (5,231,595)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 16,962,884</u></b>



SCHEDULE 3 - CONSOLIDATING STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

NORTH CENTRAL TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARY

Year ended December 31, 2024

	North Central Telephone Cooperative, Corp.	North Central Communications, Inc. and Subsidiaries	Reclassifications /Eliminations	Total
Net income	\$ 16,962,884	\$ 5,231,595	\$ (5,231,595)	\$ 16,962,884
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Postretirement benefit other than pension:				
Unrecognized prior service cost	(270,000)	0	0	(270,000)
Unrecognized loss	<u>3,164,943</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3,164,943</u>
 COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	 <u>\$ 19,857,827</u>	 <u>\$ 5,231,595</u>	 <u>\$ (5,231,595)</u>	 <u>\$ 19,857,827</u>