

EXHIBIT A

Real Estate

All those certain lots, tracts and parcels of land situate in the following counties, respectively, and more particularly described as follows:

Parcel 1 - STANLY, UNION and ANSON COUNTIES

The telephone exchange plants formerly owned by United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc., and located at Ansonville, Marshville and Norwood, North Carolina, and consisting of central office equipment at Marshville and Norwood and telephone plant at Ansonville, pole lines, cable, wire, telephone instruments and other telephone appliances and equipment used by United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc., in furnishing telephone service at the exchanges above named.

Being that same property described in deed to North Carolina Telephone Company recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Stanly County in Book 186, Page 178; in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Union County in Book 140, page 70, and in the office of the Register of Deeds of Anson County in Book 128, Page 519. Also being the same property described in deed to United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Inc. recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Stanly County in Book 186, Page 177; in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Union County in Book 140, Page 68; and in the Office of the Register of Deeds of Anson County in Book 128, Page 516.

Parcel 2 - STANLY COUNTY

Lying and being in the Town of Norwood, Center Township, County of Stanly, and being that property more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a stake on the northeast side of Main Street in the Town of Norwood, the southeast corner of the lot deeded by F. R. Leonard and wife to North Carolina Telephone Company on November 17, 1956, and runs thence with the southeast line of said lot, North 36 deg. East 90 feet to a stake; thence South 56 deg. East 40 feet to a stake; thence South 36 deg. West 90 feet to a stake on the northeast side of Main Street; thence with the northeast side of Main Street, North 56 deg. West 40 feet to the point of beginning.

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