Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. Form 8-K October 08, 2014

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): October 8, 2014

#### CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 000-51446 02-0636095
(State of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS employer identification no.)

121 South 17th Street

Mattoon, Illinois 61938-3987
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (217) 235-3311

# Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

At a special meeting of Stockholders (the "Special Meeting") of Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (the "Company") held on October 8, 2014, 25,732,812 shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value, or approximately 63.9% of the 40,289,154 shares of common stock outstanding and entitled to vote at the Special Meeting, were present in person or by proxy. Set forth below is the matter acted upon by the Company's stockholders at the Special Meeting and the final voting results on such matter.

Proposal No. 1: Approval of the issuance of Company common stock to Enventis Corporation ("Enventis") shareholders in the Merger contemplated by the Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of June 29, 2014, by and among the Company, Enventis, and Sky Merger Sub Inc., a Minnesota corporation and a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Merger Agreement"). With respect to the approval of the issuance of Company common stock to Enventis shareholders in the Merger contemplated by the Merger Agreement, the number of votes cast for and against this matter, as well as the number of abstentions, were as follows:

Votes For Votes Against Abstentions Broker Non-Votes 25,298,080 221,201 213,529 2

Proposal No. 1, having received the affirmative vote of the holders of more than a majority of the votes present, in person or by proxy, and entitled to vote on the matter at the Special Meeting, was adopted.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On October 8, 2014, the Company issued a press release reporting that at the Special Meeting, held the same day, the Company's stockholders approved the issuance of Company common stock to Enventis shareholders in the Merger contemplated by the Merger Agreement. A copy of the press release making this announcement is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release re: Special Meeting dated October 8, 2014

Safe Harbor

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") encourages companies to disclose forward-looking information so that investors can better understand a company's future prospects and make informed investment decisions. Certain statements in this Current Report on Form 8-K are forward-looking statements and are made pursuant to the safe harbor provisions of the Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements reflect, among other things, our current expectations, plans, strategies, and anticipated financial results. There are a number of risks, uncertainties, and conditions that may cause our actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements. These risks and uncertainties include our ability to complete the acquisition of Enventis and successfully integrate Enventis' operations and realize the synergies from the acquisition, as well as a number of factors related to our business and that of Enventis, including economic and financial market conditions generally and economic conditions in the Company's and Enventis' service areas; various risks to shareholders of not receiving dividends and risks to the Company's ability to pursue growth opportunities if the Company continues to pay dividends according to the current dividend policy; various risks to the price and volatility of the Company's ability to

repay or refinance it or incur additional debt in the future; the Company's need for a significant amount of cash to

service and repay the debt and to pay dividends on the common stock; restrictions contained in the debt agreements that limit the discretion of management in operating the business; regulatory changes, including changes to subsidies, rapid development and introduction of new technologies and intense competition in the telecommunications industry; risks associated with the Company's possible pursuit of acquisitions; system failures; losses of large customers or government contracts; risks associated with the rights-of-way for the network; disruptions in the relationship with third party vendors; losses of key management personnel and the inability to attract and retain highly qualified management and personnel in the future; changes in the extensive governmental legislation and regulations governing telecommunications providers and the provision of telecommunications services; telecommunications carriers disputing and/or avoiding their obligations to pay network access charges for use of the Company's and Enventis' network; high costs of regulatory compliance; the competitive impact of legislation and regulatory changes in the telecommunications industry; and liability and compliance costs regarding environmental regulations. A detailed discussion of these and other risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results and events to differ materially from such forward-looking statements are discussed in more detail in the Company's and Enventis' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including their reports on Form 10-K and Form 10-Q. Many of these circumstances are beyond our ability to control or predict. Moreover, forward-looking statements necessarily involve assumptions on our part. These forward-looking statements generally are identified by the words "believe", "expect", "anticipate", "estimate", "project", "intend", "plan", "should", "may", "will", "would", "will be", "will continue" or similar expressions. Such forwardstatements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results, performance or achievements of the Company and its subsidiaries to be different from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements attributable to us or persons acting on our behalf are expressly qualified in their entirety by the cautionary statements that appear throughout this Current Report on Form 8-K. Furthermore, forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made. Except as required under the federal securities laws or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission, we disclaim any intention or obligation to update or revise publicly any forward-looking statements. You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

#### Proxy Statement/Prospectus

This material is not a substitute for the joint proxy statement/prospectus the Company and Enventis filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 8, 2014, which, as amended, was declared effective on August 22, 2014. Investors in the Company or Enventis are urged to read the joint proxy statement/prospectus, which contains important information, including detailed risk factors. The joint proxy statement/prospectus is, and other documents which will be filed by the Company and Enventis with the Securities and Exchange Commission will be, available free of charge at the Securities and Exchange Commission's website, www.sec.gov, or by directing a request to Consolidated Communications, 121 South 17th Street, Mattoon, IL 61938, Attention: Investor Relations; or to Enventis Corporation, P.O. Box 3248, Mankato, MN 56002, Attention: Investor Relations. The definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus was first mailed to the Company's stockholders and Enventis' shareholders on August 28, 2014.

This communication shall not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy securities, nor shall there be any sale of securities in any jurisdiction in which such offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of such jurisdiction.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 8, 2014

Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.

By: /s/ Steven L. Childers

Name: Steven L. Childers Title: Chief Financial Officer

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