Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. Form S-8 POS August 05, 2010

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 5, 2010 Registration No. 333-135440

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

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1

TO FORM S-8

Registration Statement

under

The Securities Act of 1933

Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

02-0636095 (I.R.S. employer identification no.)

121 South 17th Street

Mattoon, Illinois 61938-3987

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 401(k) PLAN
CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS 401(k) PLAN FOR TEXAS BARGAINING
ASSOCIATES
(Full title of the plan)

Steven L. Childers
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.
121 South 17th Street
Mattoon, Illinois 61938-3987
(Name and address of agent for service)

(217) 235-3311 (Telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

With a copy to:

Lauralyn G. Bengel Schiff Hardin LLP 233 South Wacker Drive 66th Floor Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 258-5670

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer [_]

Accelerated filer [X]

Non-accelerated filer [_] Smaller reporting company [_]
Do not check if a smaller
reporting company)

EXPLANATORY NOTE

On June 29, 2006, Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. (the "Registrant") filed a Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-135440) to register an aggregate of 1,000,0000 shares of its Common Stock issuable under the Consolidated Communications, Inc. 401(k) Plan and the Consolidated Communications 401(k) Plan For Texas Bargaining Associates. This Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 is being filed to allocate 500,000 of the registered shares to the Consolidated Communications, Inc. 401(k) Plan and 500,000 of the registered shares to the Consolidated Communications 401(k) Plan for Texas Bargaining Associates.

SIGNATURES

THE REGISTRANT. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all the requirements for filing this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Mattoon, State of Illinois, on this 2nd day of August, 2010.

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS HOLDINGS, INC. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Steven L. Childers

Steven L. Childers

Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to Form S-8 Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

SIGNATURE TITLE DATE
----/s/ Robert J. Currey* President and Chief
------ Executive Officere
Robert J. Currey (Principal Executive
Officer) and Director

Steven I Childers

Senior Vice President August 2, 2010

and Chief Financial Steven L. Childers Steven L. Childers Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Principal Accounting Officer) Director /s/ Jack W. Blumenstein* -----Jack W. Blumenstein /s/ Richard A. Lumpkin* Chairman of the Board and Director Richard A. Lumpkin Director /s/ Roger H. Moore* _____ Roger H. Moore /s/ Maribeth S. Rahe* Director _____ Maribeth S. Rahe August 2, 2010 *By: /s/ Steven L. Childers

Steven L. Childers Attorney-In-Fact and Agent for Service

THE PLANS. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, each of the Consolidated Communications, Inc. 401(k) Plan and the Consolidated Communications 401(k) Plan for Texas Bargaining Associates has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Mattoon, State of Illinois, on the 2nd day of August, 2010.

> CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS, INC. 401(k) PLAN

CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATIONS 401(k) PLAN FOR TEXAS BARGAINING ASSOCIATES

By: /s/ Vivian Schott _____ Vivian Schott

Authorized Signatory