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Architectural Inventory Form

- Date _____ Initials _____
- _____ Determined Eligible - National Register
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible - National Register
 - _____ Determined Eligible - State Register
 - _____ Determined Not Eligible - State Register
 - _____ Need Data
 - _____ Contributes to eligible National Register District
 - _____ Noncontributing to eligible NR District

I. Identification

1. Resource number: 5HN68.163
2. Temporary resource number: 146
3. County: Hinsdale
4. City: Lake City
5. Historic building name: ~~Telephone Building~~ Hinsdale County Telephone Co. n Keen's western states
6. Current building name: Continental Telephone Co. Telephone Co. n Century Telephone Co.
7. Building address: 300 Gunnison Avenue, Lake City, CO 81235
8. Owner name and address: ICE Cable Holdings, LLC, 800 Third Avenue, Suite 3100, New York NY 10022

II. Geographic Information

County Property No.: R2388T

9. P.M.: 6th NM Township 44N Range 4W SE4 of SE4 of SW4 of SW4 of Section 34
10. UTM reference
Zone 13 296830²⁹ mE 4211320¹⁷ mN
11. USGS quad name: Lake City Quad year: 1985 Map scale: X 7.5' ___ 15'
12. Block(s): 54 Lot(s): 17-18 Legal: Block 54, E 32' of lot 17 & E 32' of S 22.3 of lot 18
Addition: Year of Addition:
13. Boundary description and justification: Perimeter of parcel

III. Architectural Description

14. Building plan: Rectangular
15. Dimensions: 450 square feet
16. Number of stories: 1
17. External wall material(s): Brick
18. Roof configuration: Flat
19. Roof material: Asphalt
20. Special features:
21. General architectural description:
Small, one-story building, flat-roofed with painted brick walls. Deep setback, barely visible from street. Shed-roofed projection in north elevation. Concrete foundation.
22. Architectural style/Building type: No style
23. Landscaping or special setting:

24. Associated building, features or objects:

Butler Building, 1959

One-story, front-gabled building of metal located at alley. "Butler Building" signplate located of gable apex. Large opening in south-facing elevation with pull up door.

IV. Architectural History

25. Date of construction Estimate: 1971 Actual: _____ Source of info: Telephone conversation with Eileen Rawson, Montrose, Colorado, April 18, 2003.
26. Architect: None Source of info:
27. Builder/contractor: Unknown Source of info:
28. Original owner: Harold Rawson Source of info: Telephone conversation with Eileen Rawson, Montrose, Colorado, April 18, 2003.
29. Construction history (major additions, alterations, demolitions):
30. Original location: Moved Date of move(s) _____

V. Historical Associations

31. Original use(s): Business office
32. Intermediate use(s):
33. Current use(s): Business office
34. Site type(s):
35. Historical background:

Hinsdale County Telephone Co. was successively located at 310 Silver, 221 Silver and unit no. 4 of the Lone Pine Apartments, 230 Gunnison. Telephone company owner Harold Rawson acquired lots at the northeast corner of Gunnison Avenue and Third Street from L.T. Beam in August, 1959. In 1960 he erected the extant Butler metal building, located at the rear of the lots adjacent to the alley, which allowed installation of dial telephone equipment. The switch from telephone operator to dial telephone service occurred in September, 1960, at which time the operator's office in the Lone Pine was closed. Rawson sold Hinsdale County Telephone Co. to Jack Keen of Texas in September, 1966. Keen's Western States Telephone Co. was acquired by successively larger telephone companies, including Continental Telephone Co. and its present successor, Century Telephone Co. Continental Telephone Co. enlarged its equipment holding facilities in Lake City with the construction of a separate structure, the extant flat-roofed cinder block building, which was built in 1971.

The site of the telephone company buildings was originally developed in 1876 and 1877 with a series of adjoining one-story frame and adobe commercial buildings with false fronts facing Gunnison Avenue. The corner adobe false front was built by Herman Leuders as a wholesale liquor store in 1876 and served as Lake City Post Office between 1879 and 1886. It was demolished in 1949. Other single-story false front commercial buildings located between the corner and the extant Heinrich Building, 310 Gunnison, included Lake City first post office, opened by Stephen Dole in 1875, the J.W. Mills law office, and a brick building constructed by Henry Pamperin as a cigar store in 1876. The Pamperin building later served as Ferdinand Hilgenhaus's San Juan Beer Hall from 1880 to 1886. The Mills law office, a frame false front which burned in 1905, was historically notable as the headquarters of the Lake City Female Suffrage Assoc. in 1877. Attorney J.W. Mills was a founding member of the suffrage association and coordinated Susan B. Anthony's visit to Lake City in September, 1877. Mills was the author of the Colorado Equal Suffrage Bill passed by Colorado voters in 1893.

36. Sources of information:

Telephone conversation with Eileen Rawson, Montrose, Colorado, April 18, 2003; Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION, Thurs., August 13, 1959, page 6, Thurs., September 22, 1966; Gunnison County GLOBE, October 6, 1960, section 1, page 4.

Prior buildings: Lake City SILVER WORLD, Sat., September 2, 1876, page 3, Sat., July 21, 1877, page 3, Sat., August 18, 1877, page 3; Lake City TIMES, Thurs., August 3, 1905, page 2, Thurs., April 11, 1907, page 3; Gunnison NEWS-CHAMPION, Thurs., May 12, 1949, page 8; tombstone inscription, Jared Warner Mills and Sarah Adelia Wilde Mills, Fairmount Cemetery, Denver, Colorado.

VI. Significance

37. Local landmark: Yes No Date of design.: _____ Design. authority: _____
Within Lake City Historic District (local historic district)
38. Applicable National Register Criteria:
- A. Associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad pattern of our history;
 - B. Associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
 - C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or that possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
 - D. Has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in history or prehistory
 - Qualifies under Criteria Considerations A through G
 - Does not meet any of the above National Register criteria
39. Area(s) of significance:
40. Period of significance:
41. Level of significance: National State Local
42. Statement of significance:
This recently constructed building does not contribute to the Lake City Historic District.
43. Assessment of historic physical integrity to significance:

VII. National Register Eligibility Assessment

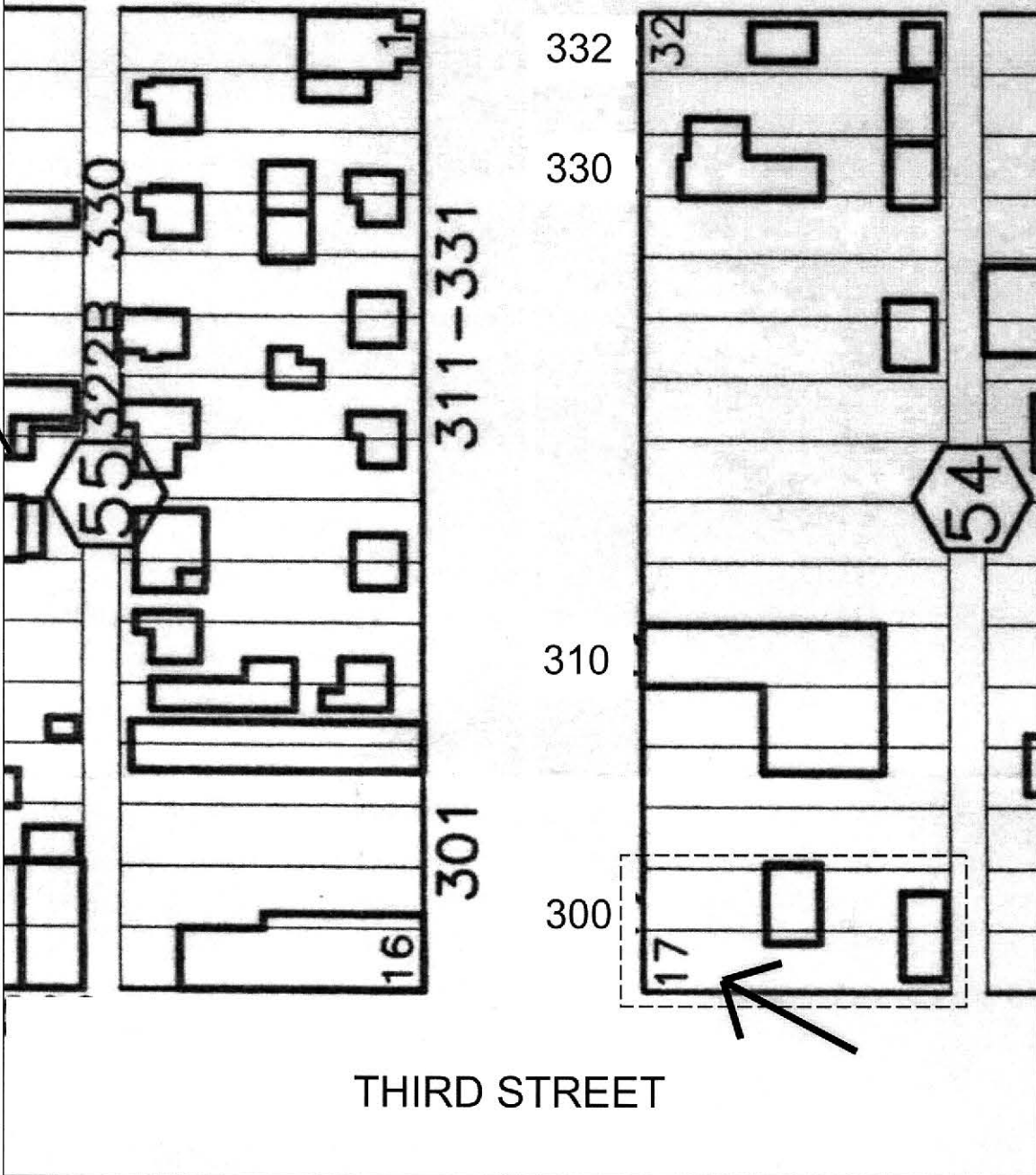
44. National Register eligibility field assessment: Eligible Not Eligible Need Data
45. Is there National Register district potential? Yes No
Discuss _____
- If there is National Register district potential, is this building Contributing Noncontributing
46. If the building is in an existing National Register district is it? Contributing Noncontributing
(Lake City National Historic District)

VIII. Recording Information

47. Photograph numbers: Roll 26, frames 12, 13 Negatives filed at: Lake City Town Hall
48. Report title: 2003 Architectural Survey of Lake City, Colorado
49. Date(s): September 2002 - June 2003
50. Recorders Cathleen M. Norman and Grant E. Houston
51. Organization: Town of Lake City
52. Address: 230 Bluff Street, Lake City CO 81235 53. Phone no. (970) 944-2333

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FOURTH STREET



THIRD STREET



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