

Resolution No. _____ (2015)

TITLE: *Appointment to the Balsam-West FiberNET, L.L.C.*

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians agreed to participate with the Balsam-West FiberNET, L.L.C. (BWFN) in Resolution No. 107 (2003) as a co-owner with 50% interest in BWFN and has the authority to appoint two (2) members of the BWFN Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Barbara Vicknair and Ms. Kim Peone were appointed as EBCI representatives on the BWFN Board of Directors in previous Council legislation; and

WHEREAS, in 2015, the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians recognized the importance of Information Technology to support the Tribe's governmental and business operations, including enhancement and expansion of its technology infrastructure to its communities in a series of Resolutions (Nos. 299, 400, and 435) and Ordinances (Nos. 276 and 277); and

WHEREAS, Tribal Council established the EBCI Information Technology Strategic Working Group to develop a comprehensive approach for harnessing the Tribe's Information Technology capabilities in Resolution No. 299 (2014) including the Tribe's ownership interest in BWFN; and

WHEREAS, the Principal Chief is appointing two (2) members to represent the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians on the BWFN Board of Directors.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Tribal Council assembled at which a quorum is present, that the following are hereby designated to represent the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians on the Balsam-West FiberNet Board of Directors. The term of service will begin upon ratification of this resolution and will serve at the pleasure of the Principal Chief:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, any ordinance or resolution inconsistent with this resolution is hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the intent of this resolution shall be carried out by the Principal Chief upon ratification.

Submitted by Principal Chief Lambert