

Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Rahe Maribeth S2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Consolidated Communications Holdings, Inc. [CNSL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

121 SOUTH 17TH STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/14/2017☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

MATTOON, IL 61938-3987

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/14/2017 | | A | 3,159 (1) | A \$ 0 42,772 | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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(9-02)**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|-------------------------------|
| | Director10% OwnerOfficerOther |
| Rahe Maribeth S 121 SOUTH 17TH STREET MATTOON, IL 61938-3987 | X |

Signatures

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| /s/ Steven J. Shirar, Power of Attorney | 03/16/2017 |
| __Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
 - ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares represent an award under the Long Term Incentive Plan. The shares will vest 100% on December 5, 2017
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