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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Blumenstein Jack W Issuer Symbol **Consolidated Communications** (Check all applicable) Holdings, Inc. [CNSL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 121 SOUTH 17TH STREET 03/08/2011

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

(Zip)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

MATTOON, IL 61938-3987

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1.Title of 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Beneficial Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common

(City)

Stock, par 03/08/2011 $A^{(1)}$ 2,205 Α \$0 16,691 D value \$0.01

per share

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

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

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Blumenstein Jack W							
121 SOUTH 17TH STREET	X						
MATTOON, IL 61938-3987							

Signatures

/s/ Matt Smith, Power of Attorney 03/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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 in equal installments on December 5, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

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