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APPLICANT NAME: Copper Valley Wireless, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Copper Valley Wireless-Cordova, AK Microwave
STATE(S): AK
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,747,796 Loan
\$1,747,795 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Copper Valley Wireless, Inc., will extend terrestrial connectivity from Naked Island, AK to Cordova, AK. Cordova is a remote rural community with voice service provided by the local cooperative. The project will provide access to the local telephone cooperative, as well as the interexchange carrier to provide high-speed broadband to residents.

APPLICANT NAME: Rivada Sea Lion, LLC
PROJECT NAME: Southwestern Alaska Broadband Rural Expansion (SABRE)
STATE(S): AK
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$25,333,240 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

SABRE delivers low cost, high speed broadband and Public Safety interoperability to the inaccessible communities of Southwestern Alaska. The project will dramatically enhance service to individual, community centers, schools, medical clinics and Public Safety organizations. SABRE uses a unique combination of wireless technologies to deliver leading edge connectivity to the proposed service area.

APPLICANT NAME: Supervision, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Farther and Faster
STATE(S): AK
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$174,680 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The funding for the Supervision Inc., "Farther and Faster" project will provide last mile cable to deliver broadband capability to homes, businesses, and community facilities in Tanana, a predominantly Alaska Native community located on the Yukon River.

APPLICANT NAME: United Utilities, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: TERRA-SW: Terrestrial Broadband In Southwestern Alaska
STATE(S): AK
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$44,158,522 Loan
\$43,982,240 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

United Utilities, Inc., (UUI) will provide middle mile connectivity to 65 communities in southwestern Alaska. These communities span the Bristol Bay and Yukon Kuskokwim regions, an area approximately the size of North Dakota. Connectivity is over a combination of undersea fiber, terrestrial fiber, and microwave links. UUI will leverage its DeltaNet network to reduce the total cost of deployment.

APPLICANT NAME: Butler Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Butler Telephone Company, Inc.: Project to serve rural, remote and unserved establishments
STATE(S): AL
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$3,892,920 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Butler Telephone Company, Inc., a subsidiary of TDS Telecom, will provide high-speed DSL broadband service to remote, unserved households within its rural service territory in Alabama. The system is being built so that it can be upgraded to accommodate future services. As a direct result of constructing this project, it is estimated that 77 jobs will be directly created or retained.

APPLICANT NAME: American Samoa Telecommunications Authority
PROJECT NAME: Broadband Linking the American Samoa Territory "BLAST" Project
STATE(S): AS
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$10,000,000 Loan
\$81,034,763 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

American Samoa Telecommunications Authority will implement the Broadband Linking the American Samoa "BLAST" Project. This project will replace ASTCA's old deteriorating legacy copper infrastructure with a more robust and weather durable fiber-optic network that will link the main islands of American Samoa, making it possible to provide broadband services to every household, business, and critical institution in American Samoa.

APPLICANT NAME: Tohono O'odham Utility Authority
PROJECT NAME: Tohono O'odham Fiber Route - Middle Mile
STATE(S): AZ
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,565,900 Loan
\$3,565,900 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Tohono O'odham Utility Authority project will enable high-speed DSL services throughout the reservation with fiber-to-the-premises and fixed wireless broadband in certain areas.

APPLICANT NAME: AUDEAMUS
PROJECT NAME: Westside Broadband Project for Rural Central California-San Joaquin, Tranquillity, and West Fresno
STATE(S): CA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$2,741,505 Loan
\$2,741,505 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Audeamus project will build a fiber-based broadband infrastructure for the unserved and underserved communities of San Joaquin, Tranquillity, and a portion of rural west Fresno County, CA. This last-mile project will provide broadband access to approximately 1,500 households, local businesses and anchor institutions in these communities. This project will also make service available to 24 entities and organizations considered community anchor institutions, public safety entities, and critical community organizations in the San Joaquin, Tranquillity, and west Fresno areas.

APPLICANT NAME: Ponderosa Cablevision
PROJECT NAME: Millerton Project
STATE(S): CA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,926,431 Loan
\$1,926,431 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The funding for this Ponderosa Cablevision project will provide fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) in a 31-square-mile area adjacent to Ponderosa's current service territory. Telemedicine and online education applications will now be accessible since the closest medical and school facilities require a 45-minute drive.

APPLICANT NAME: Wiggins Telephone Association
PROJECT NAME: Weldona-Orchard FTTP
STATE(S): CO
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$2,168,544 Loan
\$2,159,887 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Wiggins Telephone Association, Inc., headquartered in Wiggins, Colorado, will construct fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) infrastructure in the Weldona-Orchard area of northeastern Colorado.

APPLICANT NAME: The Peetz Cooperative Telephone CO
PROJECT NAME: Peetz Last Mile
STATE(S): CO; NE
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$1,513,850 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Peetz Co-operative Telephone Company will deploy broadband infrastructure in and around the Peetz Community using a combination of technologies. This deployment within the remote, unserved farming community will create jobs and stimulate economic growth. Anchor institutions within the community will have connectivity to necessary distance learning and public safety applications.

APPLICANT NAME: Flint Cable TV, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Flint Digital Wave
STATE(S): GA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$4,095,913 Loan
\$4,095,913 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The funding for the Flint Digital Wave project will provide a Hybrid Fiber Coaxial (HFC) network to homes in underserved areas of Culloden, Yatesville, and Friendship Community in rural central Georgia. This HFC network will use the latest DOCSIS 3.0 cable standard, enabling channel bonding and speeds up to 100Mbps.

APPLICANT NAME: Big Island Broadband/Aloha Broadband Inc
PROJECT NAME: Aloha Broadband Kohala
STATE(S): HI
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$106,503 Loan
\$0 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Aloha Broadband will be providing affordable terrestrial fixed wireless broadband service to the community of North Kohala on the Big Island of Hawaii. The census blocks we have chosen are not served by any broadband service providers.

APPLICANT NAME: C-M-L Telephone Cooperative Association
PROJECT NAME: Meriden and Archer Fiber To the Home Project
STATE(S): IA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$1,519,225 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) project will provide broadband service via fiber optic network to rural Iowa communities, including Archer and Meriden. The C-M-L Telephone Cooperative Association will offer services to include high-speed Internet exceeding 20 Mbps, digital television, and telephone service.

APPLICANT NAME: Eastlight, LLC
PROJECT NAME: Southeast Iowa Rural Wireless Broadband
STATE(S): IA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,836,926 Loan
\$0 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Eastlight, LLC, will serve over 80 small, rural communities with high-speed, affordable Internet using wireless technology and business experience gained by serving this challenging region of small towns and large farms. The Southeast Iowa Rural Wireless Broadband project will extend high-speed broadband coverage into villages, towns and unincorporated collections of farms, businesses and homes in 12 Iowa counties with 6,226 square miles, and 111 communities with 144,000 residents in unserved and underserved areas.

APPLICANT NAME: F&B Communications, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: F&B Communications FTTH Stimulus Project
STATE(S): IA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,628,588 Loan
\$1,609,162 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The F&B Communications FTTH Stimulus project will provide advanced fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) services via high-speed fiber optic network with speeds exceeding 20 Mbps to the rural areas surrounding the Iowa communities of Bennett, Delmar and Lowden. The system will also allow for expansion at a future date.

APPLICANT NAME: La Motte Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: Springbrook Wireless Internet Project
STATE(S): IA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$187,815 Loan
\$187,815 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

La Motte Telephone Company will provide wireless broadband services from a 300-foot tower and Wi-Max installation for wireless broadband service in the surrounding area. This project is expected to primarily serve homes in an underserved rural area.

APPLICANT NAME: Coeur d'Alene Tribe
PROJECT NAME: Coeur d'Alene Reservation FTTH Project
STATE(S): ID
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$6,142,879 Loan
\$6,142,879 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Coeur d'Alene Tribe will deploy a fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) broadband system to provide improved broadband services to anchor institutions, critical community facilities, and approximately 3,770 unserved and underserved households in the communities of Plummer, Worley, Tensed, and DeSmet. The project will include service to isolated farms and rural home sites on the Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation in North Idaho.

APPLICANT NAME: Norlight Telecommunications, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Rural High-Speed Ethernet Network - Southern Illinois
STATE(S): IL
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$8,538,224 Loan
\$14,230,375 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Norlight Telecommunications, Inc., will provide more than 1,600 miles of fiber-optic network throughout the twenty-four southernmost counties of Illinois, to deliver high-speed Ethernet services. These services will include Ethernet connectivity from 10 Mbps to 10 Gbps on either a point-to-point or wide area network basis, as well as Internet access at various speeds.

APPLICANT NAME: Smithville Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Smithville FTTP Phase 2
STATE(S): IN
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$37,729,143 Loan
\$0 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This project will provide fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) with voice, data, and video to approximately 18,440 customer sites in the area served by Smithville Telephone Company. This represents the remainder of Smithville's serving area of approximately 34,000 sites where FTTP is not presently being constructed.

APPLICANT NAME: Sunman Telecommunications, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Sunman 700MHz WiMAX Wireless Broadband Plan
STATE(S): IN; KY
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$5,694,611 Loan
\$5,694,611 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Sunman Telecommunications will create a 700 MHz WiMax build-out plan to serve rural communities within the state of Indiana. This project will provide needed broadband services to households, businesses, and key community organizations that are currently underserved rural communities. (About one percent of this network also serves a small area in Kentucky.)

APPLICANT NAME: Madison Telephone, LLC
PROJECT NAME: Madison-Lamont FTTP
STATE(S): KS
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,519,750 Loan
\$3,519,750 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Madison Telephone, LLC, headquartered in Madison, Kansas, will construct fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) throughout its certified service area including the Kansas telephone exchanges of Madison and Lamont.

APPLICANT NAME: Rural Telephone Service Co., Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Rural Opportunities Delivered
STATE(S): KS
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$51,612,842 Loan
\$49,588,807 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Rural Telephone Service Co., Inc., Rural Opportunities Delivered project will provide service in an area of western Kansas that is 99.5% unserved/underserved and will provide a rural infrastructure required for economic stability, education and healthcare. The company is a cooperative and RUS partner on 32 other projects. It leads a team of seven companies with this shovel-ready project.

APPLICANT NAME: South Central Telephone Association, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: KS551 – Lake City & Sun City Rural FTTH
STATE(S): KS
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$ 0 Loan
\$871,200 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

South Central Telephone Association, Inc., will build fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) broadband services to all unserved establishments in the exchanges of Lake and Sun City.

APPLICANT NAME: J.B.N. Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: West Cluster Plus Barnes FTTP
STATE(S): KS; NE
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$5,489,250 Loan
\$5,489,250 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

JBN Telephone Company headquartered in Holton, Kansas, will construct fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) infrastructure throughout the certificated areas of its seven western exchanges (West Cluster) and the Barnes exchange (Barnes).

APPLICANT NAME: Totah Communications, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Totah Broadband Expansion Project
STATE(S): KS; OK
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$4,852,105 Loan
\$3,660,360 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The funding for the Totah Broadband Expansion Project will upgrade existing copper-fed DSL nodes to fiber-fed DSL nodes. This project will also install additional fiber-fed DSL nodes throughout the service area. The total route will cover approximately 152 miles and will serve approximately 800 additional new customers.

APPLICANT NAME: Mountain RTCC
PROJECT NAME: Mountain RTCC ILEC Broadband
STATE(S): KY
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$39,843,535 Loan
\$38,281,044 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Mountain RTCC will deploy a fiber-cable based broadband network in Morgan, Menifee, Wolfe and Elliott counties of Kentucky. This network will provide over 20 Mbps bandwidth to end users. Mountain RTCC will bring affordable broadband access to these counties to enhance economic development and workforce training.

APPLICANT NAME: North Central Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Broadband Infrastructure Investment Program
STATE(S): KY; TN
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$24,964,000 Loan
\$24,715,709 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

North Central Telephone Cooperative (NCTC) will provide the necessary infrastructure to provide advanced voice, video and data services that exceed 20 Mbps to remote and rural communities in the service area of northern Tennessee.

APPLICANT NAME: Allen's TV Cable Service, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Allen's Cable - FTTX Broadband Network Extension
STATE(S): LA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,584,680 Loan
\$3,513,697 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Allen's Cable project will extend a fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) network from existing fiber into rural areas of three South Louisiana Parishes. The project will also provide underserved citizens with broadband, cable TV and digital voice services to enhance entertainment, communications and information, and create jobs to stimulate area economic growth and support safety and emergency preparedness.

APPLICANT NAME: LBH, LLC.
PROJECT NAME: Rural Broadband Powered by Fiber
STATE(S): LA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$16,693,439 Loan
\$16,691,939 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

LBH, LLC, a subsidiary of Cameron Communications, LLC, will expand the existing fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) system in Moss Bluff to build FTTH in the communities and surrounding rural areas of Oakdale and Vinton. The project will provide broadband, voice and video service to unserved and underserved areas.

APPLICANT NAME: Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Northeast Louisiana Telephone Co. FTTH & Broadband Project
STATE(S): LA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$8,124,600 Loan
\$4,359,000 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Northeast Louisiana Telephone Company project will provide an active Ethernet system with symmetrical speeds of 20 Mbps. The system will be using buried fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) to serve the communities of Bonita and Collinston in Morehouse Parish, Louisiana. The equipment will consist of a large capacity router, a softswitch for voice, an IPTV headend for video and all associated electronics to implement the project.

APPLICANT NAME: Chatham Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: Chatham Telephone Company: Project to serve rural, remote and unserved establishments
STATE(S): MI
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$8,605,935 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Chatham Telephone Company, a subsidiary of TDS Telecom, proposes a project to bring high speed DSL broadband service to remote, unserved households within its rural service territory, which is comparable to the DSL service provided in its more populated areas. The network is also engineered so that it can be easily upgraded at a reasonable cost to meet future needs.

APPLICANT NAME: Southwest Michigan Communications
PROJECT NAME: Southwest Michigan Communications - Paw Paw and Antwerp, MI FTTP
STATE(S): MI
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$4,165,513 Loan
\$4,165,512 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Southwest Michigan Communications will construct a fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) network that will cover the rural areas of its CLEC exchange areas, which will provide advanced broadband services to the residents in the rural Paw Paw area.

APPLICANT NAME: City of Windom
PROJECT NAME: Southwest Minnesota Broadband Group (SWMBG)
STATE(S): MN
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$6,350,000 Loan
\$6,350,250 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The City of Windom Southwest Minnesota Broadband Group (SWMBG) will build fiber-to-the-premises infrastructure to eight rural communities throughout southwestern Minnesota. The network will consist of a 125 mile fiber ring which will connect eight communities and an FTTP infrastructure within the communities that will support a total of over 3,500 passings. The fiber network will also be open to other providers for provision of wireless services, dark fiber services and competitive services to SWMBG.

APPLICANT NAME: Northeast Service Cooperative
PROJECT NAME: Northeast Minnesota Middle Mile Project
STATE(S): MN
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$21,749,110 Loan
\$21,749,110 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Northeast Service Cooperative will implement a middle mile project to make dark fiber, wavelength services available to private sector providers in rural areas of northeast Minnesota.

APPLICANT NAME: Halstad Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: HTC Minnesota Exchanges FTTP
STATE(S): MN; ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,277,500 Loan
\$3,277,500 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The funding for this Halstad Telephone Company project will provide Fiber-to-the-Premises (FTTP) broadband in five towns and surrounding rural/farm areas in Norman and Polk Counties in Minnesota. The project will use 320 miles of fiber optic cable and providing those locations with broadband capability up to 100 Mbps. (Less than five percent of this network will serve an area in North Dakota.)

APPLICANT NAME: Minnesota Valley Television Improvement Corporation
PROJECT NAME: Minnesota Wireless Expansion
STATE(S): MN; SD
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$562,776 Loan
\$562,776 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Minnesota Valley Television Improvement Corporation will continue building out its two-way broadband Internet network to unserved and underserved areas of west central and south central Minnesota. The proposed project will add 34 additional WiMax access points in 34 unserved and underserved communities adjacent and contiguous to its current service area.

APPLICANT NAME: Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone
PROJECT NAME: Unionville, MO FTTP Project
STATE(S): MO
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$5,140,458 Loan
\$5,140,458 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company's fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) project will provide broadband services to households, businesses, and key community organizations that are currently underserved. This project will provide needed broadband services and create the potential of increased business growth, public safety services and quality of life for the residents in the Unionville Exchange within Missouri. FTTP technology will allow Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company to offer a variety of communications and entertainment services, including interactive two-way broadband services, carrier-class telephony, digital multimedia and VoIP.

APPLICANT NAME: Ralls County Electric Cooperative
PROJECT NAME: Ralls County Electric Fiber-to-the-Home Project
STATE(S): MO
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$9,548,909 Loan
\$9,548,908 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Ralls County Electric Cooperative (RCEC) will provide a fiber-optic network to residential and commercial members and the underserved safety and anchor agencies in the service area. This is a State of Missouri demonstration project and non-proprietary data will be shared.

APPLICANT NAME: Bay Springs Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Bay Springs Broadband Initiatives Project
STATE(S): MS
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$4,304,496 Loan
\$4,135,693 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Bay Springs Telephone Company, Inc., will expand advanced DSL broadband services to unserved and underserved areas within Jasper, Jones, Rankin, Scott, and Smith Counties, Mississippi.

APPLICANT NAME: Reservation Telephone Cooperative
PROJECT NAME: Last Mile Broadband to Rural ND and MT
STATE(S): MT; ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/30/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$10,950,000 Loan
\$10,950,000 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Reservation Telephone Cooperative will deploy fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) technology to bring affordable and reliable broadband access and video services to underserved rural areas in western North Dakota and eastern Montana communities in and around the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation. This includes the remote Squaw Gap service area and the partially remote Mandaree, New Town, Parshall and Roseglen service areas.

APPLICANT NAME: BEK Communications Cooperative
PROJECT NAME: Rural Burleigh County, ND FTTP
STATE(S): ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$2,016,571 Loan
\$1,986,473 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The BEK Communications Cooperative last mile project will provide fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) broadband services to the underserved homes and anchor institutions in rural Burleigh County, ND. This will aid business growth and support public safety in rural areas highly dependent on Internet business income. BEK provides broadband service near this area where 53% penetration has been achieved.

APPLICANT NAME: Dakota Central Telecom I - Streeter and Gackle
PROJECT NAME: Dakota Central Telecom I - Streeter and Gackle
STATE(S): ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$2,252,250 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Dakota Central Telecom I will provide fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) broadband services to households, businesses, and key community organizations in portions of Streeter and Gackle, North Dakota Exchanges that are currently remote, rural and unserved.

APPLICANT NAME: Halstad Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: HTC Hillsboro ND Rural FTTP
STATE(S): ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$2,027,600 Loan
\$2,027,600 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Halstad Telephone Company project will deploy fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) broadband Internet and video services to 430 locations in rural Hillsboro, Traill County, North Dakota, utilizing 283 miles of fiber optic cable and providing those locations with broadband capability of 100 Megabits.

APPLICANT NAME: Halstad Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: HTC Hillsboro ND Town Broadband
STATE(S): ND
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$246,500 Loan
\$246,500 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Halstad Telephone Company project will install electronic enhancements to existing Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) to increase broadband capability to 100 Mbps for Internet and video service. The project will serve 800 locations in the town of Hillsboro, Traill County, North Dakota.

APPLICANT NAME: Bretton Woods Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Last Mile Remote Area - Bretton Woods, NH
STATE(S): NH
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$985,000 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The national broadband network is only as strong as its weakest link, if the last mile is substandard, the opportunity to connect all citizens to high-speed broadband cannot be realized. Therefore, BWTC intends to purchase and install FTTP and associated electronics within selected census block groups in our existing footprint and to add additional central office space.

APPLICANT NAME: Baca Valley Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Baca Valley Telephone Last Mile DSL project
STATE(S): NM
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,651,000 Loan
\$1,586,000 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Baca Valley Telephone Company, Inc., project will provide fiber optic connectivity to a number of new cabinets and existing buildings and deploy a last mile access system intended to provide ADSL2+ broadband services to households and businesses in two separate PFSAs located in the northeast area of New Mexico. This project will serve subscribers located in Union and Colfax counties in the state of New Mexico, and consists of two service areas. Des Moines is composed of 194 census blocks located in and around the village of Des Moines, NM. Maxwell is composed of 36 census blocks in the community of Maxwell, NM. This project will serve 373 establishments, 71 of which are businesses and rural establishments that include farms and ranches.

APPLICANT NAME: Peñasco Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: PVT ILEC
STATE(S): NM
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$4,818,607 Loan
\$4,770,660 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Peñasco Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will deliver high-speed broadband to unserved areas in its ILEC territory. The project will deploy fiber and electronics to allow for broadband service offerings to customers who are unable to access DSL today, include wireless capabilities for difficult to reach areas, as well as provide for additional fiber capacity.

APPLICANT NAME: Pueblo de San Ildefonso
PROJECT NAME: TewaCom Broadband Initiative (TBI), Phase 1-Upper Rio Grande Valley
STATE(S): NM
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$632,225 Loan
\$632,225 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

San Ildefonso Pueblo is a partner in REDI (Northern New Mexico Regional Economic Development Initiative), which will deploy a regional open network. The network will support the multiple purposes of economic development, education, healthcare and sustainable energy development funds and will enable the Pueblo to quickly expand its service network to 2,405 households.

APPLICANT NAME: Western New Mexico Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Western New Mexico Telephone Company Broadband Infrastructure Project
STATE(S): NM
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$11,516,679 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Western New Mexico Telephone Company, Inc., will implement a last mile project to provide broadband services to remote and unserved customer locations throughout its service area, and will extend additional broadband services to critical community facilities.

APPLICANT NAME: Slic Network Solutions
PROJECT NAME: Franklin County, NY Broadband Initiative
STATE(S): NY
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,066,000 Loan
\$4,262,642 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Slic Network Solutions, Inc. is proposing to construct 136 miles of fiber optic cable and purchase the necessary equipment and electronics to deliver advanced broadband services to 726 unserved households in remote western Franklin County, NY. The proposal also includes voice and IPTV services over the same facilities.

APPLICANT NAME: Benton Ridge Telephone Co.
PROJECT NAME: Benton Ridge Telephone Company Broadband Expansion Project - Benton Ridge
STATE(S): OH
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,611,124 Loan
\$1,547,942 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Benton Ridge Telephone Company will deploy a fiber-to-the-home (FTTH) system in the Benton Ridge exchange of South Central Ohio. This system will provide a dedicated fiber optic connection for each customer.

APPLICANT NAME: Consolidated Electric Cooperative Inc
PROJECT NAME: North Central Ohio Rural Fiber Optic Network
STATE(S): OH
PROJECT TYPE: Middle Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,399,499 Loan
\$1,034,413 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Consolidated Electric Cooperative is proposing construction of an open-connectivity fiber optic backbone network. This middle mile project is integral to a Smart Grid initiative and broadband service that will bring urban connectivity to rural Ohio. Multiple benefits include economic development, job creation, connectivity of Village, County, State, medical, and educational facilities.

APPLICANT NAME: Intelliwave, LLC
PROJECT NAME: The Athens, Fairfield and Pickaway County Ohio Rural Broadband Initiative
STATE(S): OH
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,162,599 Loan
\$1,116,997 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Intelliwave, LLC, will leverage BIP funds to sustainably deliver wireless broadband and VoiP phone service to underserved rural Ohio communities in Athens, Fairfield and Pickaway Counties.

APPLICANT NAME: Wabash Mutual Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: Wabash Mutual Telephone Company, Fort Recovery Area FTTH Project
STATE(S): OH
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$2,201,042 Loan
\$2,174,787 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Wabash Mutual Telephone Company will install an optical fiber network in their service area and will provide an advanced robust technology, allowing digital television, high-speed Internet at speeds in excess of 3 Mbps, and telephone services.

APPLICANT NAME: Pine Telephone Company, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Broadband Grant for Isolated Southeastern Oklahoma/Choctaw Nation - Rural/Remote Areas
STATE(S): OK
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile Remote
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 12/17/2009
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$9,482,316 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The project will use innovative wireless technology to deliver affordable broadband service to portions of entirely rural, remote and economically disadvantaged Southeast Oklahoma (within the Choctaw Nation) to create economic growth and jobs and to enhance education, health care and public safety. Pine Telephone Co. will keep rates affordable and will invest free cash flow to expand the system.

APPLICANT NAME: Pioneer Long Distance, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: WOW Western Oklahoma Wireless
STATE(S): OK
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,819,349 Loan
\$1,783,322 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Pioneer Long Distance, Inc., will provide wireless broadband service to unserved and underserved rural areas of western Oklahoma.

APPLICANT NAME: Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Western OK BB Infrastructure Development
STATE(S): OK; TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$3,366,188 Loan
\$10,098,562 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Panhandle Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will build out broadband infrastructure for rural areas within the western Oklahoma panhandle area.

APPLICANT NAME: PRIDE Network, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Burkburnett & Iowa Park, TX
STATE(S): OK; TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$12,811,071 Loan
\$6,309,931 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

PRIDE Network, Inc., will construct a fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) telecommunications infrastructure, with a WiMAX service-extension overlay, that will bring advanced broadband services to rural communities of Burkburnett and Iowa Park, TX. (Less than five percent of this network will serve an area in Oklahoma.)

APPLICANT NAME: Canby Telephone Association
PROJECT NAME: Rural Clackamas Co. Service Expansion Project
STATE(S): OR
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$248,046 Loan
\$496,090 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Canby Telephone Association (Canby Telcom) will provide advanced DSL infrastructure and connectivity to underserved areas of rural Clackamas County.

APPLICANT NAME: City of Sandy Oregon
PROJECT NAME: Sandy Broadband Infrastructure Project
STATE(S): OR
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$374,548 Loan
\$374,537 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The Sandy Broadband Infrastructure Project will provide broadband service to an underseved rural area. It will improve and expand wireless Internet service provided by SandyNet, a municipal Internet service provider operated by the City of Sandy. The project will also add new antenna towers upgrade equipment to 8 Mbps capacity, and provide fiber backhaul.

APPLICANT NAME: Gervais Telephone Company
PROJECT NAME: Marion County Broadband Buildout
STATE(S): OR
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$314,430 Loan
\$314,430 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This project will extend Gervais Telephone Company's existing fiber network by building out from the nearest fiber splice point through the funded service area. This project will provide broadband connectivity to residential and business end users, as well as to four anchor institutions in rural Marion County, OR.

APPLICANT NAME: PRIDE Network, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: PRIDE Network
STATE(S): TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$22,720,551 Loan
\$21,829,549 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

PRIDE Network will construct a fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) telecommunications infrastructure, with a WiMax service-extension overlay that will bring advanced broadband services to rural communities in the Texas South Plains region.

APPLICANT NAME: Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Southern Texas Broadband Infrastructure Development and Adoption Project
STATE(S): TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 2/17/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$40,093,153 Loan
\$38,520,868 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will develop broadband infrastructure in 11 unserved and underserved rural areas of the South Texas Plains.

APPLICANT NAME: Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Western Texas Broadband Infrastructure Development
STATE(S): TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/23/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$16,891,875 Loan
\$16,891,875 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Wes-Tex Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will develop broadband infrastructure to increase Internet availability and access speeds in rural areas of western Texas.

APPLICANT NAME: XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc.
PROJECT NAME: XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative – FTTP & VDSL2 Combination Application
STATE(S): TX
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$0 Loan
\$3,065,440 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

XIT Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc., will deploy a combination of fiber-to-the-premises (FTTP) and fiber-to-the-node (FTTN) VDSL2 technology within two separate service areas in and around the communities of Dalhart and Stratford, Texas.

APPLICANT NAME: NTELOS Telephone Inc.
PROJECT NAME: Alleghany Broadband Now Initiative
STATE(S): VA
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 1/25/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$8,062,088 Loan
\$8,062,088 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This last-mile project will provide broadband infrastructure to unserved and underserved homes, businesses and critical community institutions in rural Alleghany County, Virginia. This NTELOS Telephone Inc., project will enable work-from-home jobs and foster economic development, and improve health, education and public safety services to the county citizens.

APPLICANT NAME: Gateway Telecom, LLC
PROJECT NAME: Gateway Telecom LLC West Virginia Last Mile Project
STATE(S): WV
PROJECT TYPE: Last Mile
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: 3/4/2010
ANNOUNCED AMOUNT(S): \$1,475,459 Loan
\$1,417,597 Grant

PROJECT SUMMARY:

Gateway Telecom, LLC, will provide a wireless last-mile broadband solution to serve residences and anchor institutions in unserved rural areas of West Virginia.
