## **Public Notice Submission**

Provider Name: South Slope Cooperative Telephone Company

Summary: South Slope Cooperative Telephone Company provides broadband services to 100% of our authorized exchange area's businesses and households and has eighteen points of presence within our 494 square mile service area. BTOP funded middle mile stimulus projects build infrastructure to provide internet connectivity, and special access. Funded companies may expand their services to end users leaving smaller users and households limited services and/or increased rates due to insufficient revenues for current providers. South Slope respectfully requests that those applying for BTOP funding within our authorized exchange service areas be denied. South Slope has invested heavily with the assistance of RUS to provide broadband services and maintains a personal relationship with our members and communities. South Slope is currently under a multi-year fiber optic overbuild of our entire service area without the assistance of stimulus funding (South Slope under current rules, does not qualify for stimulus funding due to our past and current progressive actions that provides broadband DSL and/or FTTH broadband services to 100% of our service areas). Throughout the FTTH overbuild, South Slope will be turning up and offering up to 100Mbps broadband services to our members as each phase is completed. South Slope since 1958 has been on the leading edge of the technology required to grow our communities and enhance the lives of those living in rural areas.