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Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information
Department of Commerce
Washington DC

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Dear Mr. Strickling,

This note is in response to NTIA's request for comment on state/territory applications for the second round of BTOP applications. The Government of Guam had previously identified priority investment areas to promote and expand the use of broadband services on the island of Guam. These priorities were included in our comment on the applicants for the first BIP/BTOP funding round dated October 14, 2009.

One of the priorities we identified was the need for "Limited Fiber Loops" which would service the various branch offices of the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) throughout the island. This infrastructure would provide high-speed connectivity for DPHSS which is one of our anchor institutions as identified under the grants.

My office had the chance to meet with the sole applicant from Guam, PTI Pacifica Inc, and they have indicated that this infrastructure would be provided to DPHSS and other Guam and CNMI anchor institutions free of charge for the grant period. Given the significant cost savings to the government of Guam and the economic benefits that the grant would bring to the local economy, we highly recommend that NTIA approve the following application:

Application ID: 7342; **Applicant:** PTI Pacifica Inc
Application Name: Guam and Saipan Comprehensive Community Infrastructure
Broadband Project
Application Type: Comprehensive Community Infrastructure

If you have any questions please feel free to call my cell at (671) 483-0592 or via email at jim.lacson@bit.guam.gov

Sincerely,

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