

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

Office of the Governor

Timothy M. Kaine Governor

October 13, 2009

The Honorable Lawrence E. Strickling, Administrator National Telecommunications and Information Administration U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 4898 Washington, DC 20230

Dear Administrator Strickling:

Since 2006, the Commonwealth has focused resources on expanding broadband opportunities throughout Virginia and the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding provides an opportunity to serve those who have yet to benefit from our efforts – the remaining unserved areas. In May, I announced the formation of the Governor's Broadband Advisory Council and that Virginia's first broadband availability map – developed at no additional cost to taxpayers – was complete.

The map is an important resource that has guided our review of the applications that have been submitted to the Administration during this first round of Broadband Initiatives Program/ Broadband Technology Opportunities Program funding. Of the 137 applications submitted referencing Virginia, there are 66 projects that best fit the Commonwealth's broadband policy objectives and the goals of ARRA. The attached spreadsheet highlights those projects.

The Commonwealth requests that Virginia-based entities proposing to do business in Virginia receive a favorable evaluation across all categories -- Infrastructure, Building Sustainable Broadband Demand, and Public Computing Centers. For the infrastructure program, applications that propose services in unserved areas of Virginia would be our priority for project selection. For the building sustainable broadband demand category, delivery of direct services to our citizens such as publicly available training is our priority because direct services will cultivate long-term sustainable demand for the networks built with the ARRA funding. The Honorable Lawrence E. Strickling October 13, 2009 Page 2

We appreciate the opportunity to be a part of the project selection process. Karen Jackson, Deputy Secretary of Technology, is the Commonwealth's point of contact for this effort. She can be reached at karen.jackson@governor.virginia.gov.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Kaine

Website list #	<u>Project</u>	<u>Program</u>	Loan	Grant	Remote/Non-Remote	<u>Түре</u>	<u>multi-state</u>	VA application
to (at a minimum) provi	ide services to the citiz	zens of the Commonwealt	h. Further consi	ideration should should	zations operating in the Co d be given to those applica lers during the 30 day Publ	tions prop	oosing service	es in areas of

70	e-MAC (concept hybrid network)	BIP/BTOP		\$35,500,000.00	Remote	LM	yes	yes
71	Buggs Island Telephone Coop	BIP/BTOP	\$5,928,140.00	\$11,873,280.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
74	City of Bristol (BVU) - lastmile	BIP/BTOP		\$33,864,404.00		LM	no	yes
63	City of Danville	BTOP		\$1,500,000.00		LM	no	yes
57	County of Rockbridge	BIP/BTOP		\$9,563,863.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
50	LENOWISCO Last-mile	BIP/BTOP		\$22,333,566.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
46	Virginia Broadband (wireless)	BIP/BTOP	\$23,903,381.00		Non-remote	LM	no	yes
	Wired Road	BIP/BTOP		\$12,946,418.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
30	Nations-line connectivity to public housing developments	BTOP		\$2,880,429.00		LM	yes	yes
29	Scott County Telephone Cooperative (FTTP)	BIP/BTOP		\$17,006,799.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
15	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$649,923.00	\$776,738.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
16	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$776,887.00	\$928,475.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
17	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP		\$174,143.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
18	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$864,278.00	\$1,032,918.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
19	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$1,596,207.00	\$1,907,662.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
20	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$600,966.00	\$718,228.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
21	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$126,225.00	\$150,855.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
22	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP		\$844,929.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
23	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$844,833.00	\$1,009,678.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
24	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$600,778.00	\$718,003.00		LM	no	yes
25	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$2,133,267.00	\$2,549,515.00		LM	no	yes
11	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$241,868.00	\$289,063.00		LM	no	yes
12	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP						

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13	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$1,984,916.00	\$2,372,218.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
14	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP	\$216,797.00	\$259,099.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
5	Digital Bridge Communications (wi-max)	BIP/BTOP		\$2,606,764.00		LM	no	yes
89	WVVA.net, Inc Wireless	BIP/BTOP	\$111,303.00	\$492,580.00		LM	no	yes
92	Corporate Military, LLC Hartwood Virginia	BIP/BTOP		\$977,500.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
105	AOC-XGEN Wireless	BTOP		\$21,243,072.00		LM	no	yes
109	AOC-XGEN Wireless	BTOP		\$13,292,253.00		LM	no	yes
	King and Queen County	BIP/BTOP		\$59,055,577.00		LM	no	yes
	Buckingham County (wireless canopy)	BIP		\$905,000.00		LM	no	yes
	CablePlus (honaker)	BIP/BTOP		\$2,055,486.00		LM	no	yes
	Ntelos	BIP/BTOP	\$8,062,088.00	\$8,062,088.00	Non-remote	LM	no	yes
84	Ty River Farms wireless	BIP/BTOP		\$900,658.00	remote	LM	no	yes
77	LENOWISCO Transport Fiber	BIP/BTOP		\$6,919,292.00		MM	yes	yes
73	City of Bristol (BVU) - midmile	BIP/BTOP		\$3,210,953.00		MM	no	yes
75	Roadstar Internet	BIP/BTOP		\$3,379,464.00		MM	no	yes
65	Surry County	BIP/BTOP		\$791,033.00		MM	no	yes
55	Northern Neck Planning District Commission (NNPDC)	BIP/BTOP		\$13,988,941.00	unknown	ММ	no	yes
61	Open Band - Loudoun Light	BIP/BTOP	\$2,588,163.00	\$10,352,651.00		MM	no	ves
	Page County Broadband	BIP/BTOP		\$1,648,941.00	unknown	MM	no	ves
	Mid-Atlantic Broadband Cooperative	BIP/BTOP		\$16,044,290.00		MM	no	ves
	Eastern Shore Broadband Cooperative	BIP/BTOP		\$12,700,099.00	Non-remote	MM	no	ves
	Nelson County	BIP/BTOP		\$1,826,646.00		MM	no	yes
6	Virginia Tech - Mid-Atlantic Broadband Coop Network	BTOP		\$5,540,000.00		ММ	no	yes
87	New River Valley Wireless Authority	BIP/BTOP		\$3,270,000.00		MM	no	yes
90	Hampton Roads Educational Telecommunications Association, Inc. Hpt roads regional area network	BTOP		\$59,969,895.00		мм	no	ves
4	Fiberlight	втор		\$26,597,400.00		мм	no	no - GA, but currently deploying infrastructure in VA
111	Telecom Capital (new company to be formed)	BIP/BTOP	\$12,515,812.00	\$50,063,247.00		MM	yes	yes

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Public Computing Centers	 Preferred projects are tho 	se proposed by Virg	jinia entities to provid	le increased publ	lic computing center acce	ess to the	citizens of Vir	ginia

41	centers	BTOP	\$254,762.00	PCC	yes	yes
38	Lonesome Pine Library - Free BB access	втор	\$372,612.00	PCC	no	yes
86	Norfolk re-development and housing	BTOP	\$1,798,634.00	PCC	no	yes
	broadband census - bb data collection at public computing centers	BTOP	\$2,679,945.00	PCC	yes	yes
	United Negro College Fund(PCCs at HBCUs)	BTOP	\$17,320,498.00	PCC	yes	yes
	NN housing and redevelopment authority (11 sites)	BTOP	\$993,880.00	PCC	no	yes
129	Hampton University PCC capacity expansion	BTOP	\$2,621,652.00	PCC	no	yes

Building Sustainable Broadband Demand - Preferred projects are those that provide publically available training and services (not product or website/portal development) to citizens of the Commonwealth to cultivate demand (revenue/usage) for networks funded through BIP/BTOP Infrastructure awards

58	Center for Innovative Technology- hands on assistance and education for healthcare, commerce and vulnerable populations	втор	\$9,633,438.00	SBA	no	yes
76	Senior Net - Senior Education	BTOP	\$30,463,000.00	SBA	yes	yes
	MPT Services - mobile computer classes for Seniors	втор	\$14,185,800.00	SBA	yes	yes
79	Riverside Health Systems - Healthcare training via distance learning	втор	\$7,985,755.00	SBA	no	yes
49	UVA - Distance Education Expansion	BTOP	\$545,011.00	SBA	no	yes
52	Digital Bridge - Service discounts, education, computers	втор	\$5,354,400.00	SBA	yes	yes
	United Negro College Fund - HBCUs as anchor tenants for adoption	втор	\$24,000,000.00	SBA	yes	yes
	Mountain Empire Older Citizens - training and outreach	втор	\$867,734.00	SBA	no	yes
3	Public Broadcasting - public outreach	BTOP	\$8,744,607.00	SBA	yes	yes