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380273 - Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa - NOFA #004

385706 - Rural Red Oak Iowa Fiber to the Premises Build

Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

Status: Submitted
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Applicant Information

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Program Area of Interest* OCIO Test Program
Fax:
Agency

Organization Information

Organization Name:* Farmers Mutual Telephone Company
Organization Type:* Private
DUNS:
Organization Website: www.myfmtc.com
Address: 410 Broad Avenue

City Stanton Iowa 51573
City State/Province Postal Code/Zip
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Fax:
Benefactor Vendor Number

Cover Sheet-General Information

Authorized Official

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Title* GM/CEO
Organization* Farmers Mutual Telephone Company
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Please enter the "Fiscal Officer" for your Organization.

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County(ies) Participating, Involved, or Affected by this Proposal* Adams County, Montgomery County
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Business Organization - NOFA #004

Business Legal Name* Farmers Mutual Telephone Company

Mailing Address

Street * 410 Broad Avenue
City* Stanton
State* IA
Zip* 51573

Alternate Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)

Alternate Street
 Alternate City
 Alternate State
 Alternate Zip

Additional Information

Please name and upload file "Application Number - Applicant Name - Business Organization". File can be a PDF or Word Document.

* [FMTC Current Structure.pdf](#)

Public Redacted Broadband Additional Information

Is the Applicant a Communications Service Provider as defined by Iowa Code chapter 8B, including but not limited to private sector carriers, local governments, utilities, and other entities that provide or intend to provide Broadband service.

Communication Service Provider* Yes

Executive Project Summary NOFA #004

This section requires an Applicant to summarize, at a high level, its proposed Project, including but not limited to the geographic area in which the Project will occur, the primary deployment model (e.g., wireline versus wireless), and a general overview of how Applicant has/will comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of Iowa Code section 8B.11, Iowa Administrative Code rule 129—22, and this NOFA #004. Name and upload this file "Application Number - Applicant Name - Executive Project Summary". This can be a PDF or Word Document.

Executive Project Summary* [Executive Summary.docx](#)

The section requires Applicant to affirm whether or not State funds are necessary for the Project to proceed.

Are State Funds Necessary for the Project to proceed?* No

This section requires an Applicant to describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded. Control Number 385706

Describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.*

This project will proceed due to the Red Oak rural area USDA ReConnect award. However, this project's budget is significantly strained due to the increased cost of fiber installation labor and cost of materials since the ReConnect application was submitted over 18 months ago. The Reconnect award budget could be at least 15% up to possibly 25% over budget. This project and other rural project would be greatly affected without Iowa Grant funds.

Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
FTTH Build - Year 2021	12/31/2021	\$2,755,000.00
FTTH Build - Year 2022	12/31/2022	\$2,245,000.00
FTTH Build - Year 2023 - Clean Up	12/31/2023	\$10,654.00

Demonstrated Experience NOFA #004

This section requires information about Applicant's demonstrated experience in provisioning Broadband across the State of Iowa. Applicant shall include relevant information about their experience that has prepared them to deploy their Project, such as, for example, community partnerships and services; number of years in business; number of years of experience providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #004; if the Applicant is a relatively new provider/market entrant, an explanation of the benefits, if any, of being a newer provider/market entrant; the level of technical experience in providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #004; or any other information that would aid the Office in assessing whether Applicant is a Responsible Applicant.

Demonstrated Experience* [Broadband Operation Experience.docx](#)

References

Name: Stephen Peterson
 Telephone Number: 712-829-2829
 Reference Letter #1: [Testimonials_FMTC.docx](#)

Name: Gary Brandt
 Telephone Number: 712-829-2751
 Reference Letter #2: [Testimonials_FMTC.docx](#)

Name:
 Telephone Number:
 Reference Letter #3:

Broadband Grants Core Application - Exhibits B, C, D, and D.1

Applicant requests that the contents of their application remain confidential in whole or in part, pursuant to Section 7.18 of the NOFA #004.

DISCLAIMER: An applicant requesting confidential treatment of portions of an application must attach a redacted public copy of the application. If the applicant fails to attach a redacted public copy pursuant to Section 7.18.1.5 of the NOFA #004, the Office shall be relieved from any responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the application pursuant to 7.18.5 of the NOFA #004.

NOTE: Applicants are ONLY required to submit a Public Redacted Copy IF they are requesting confidential treatment with respect to an aspect of their Application. Further, the mere fact that an Applicant submits a Public Redacted Copy (or otherwise requests confidential treatment) does not ensure the aspects of the Application that are redacted (or for which confidential treatment is otherwise sought) will be treated as confidential; the Office will only afford confidential treatment to the extent requests comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the NOFA #004, and solely to the extent permitted by Iowa Code Chapter 22 and the Office's corresponding fair information practices rules available at 129 IAC 2.

Full Unredacted Copy* [BroadbandGrantsCoreApplication-NOFA004.xlsm](#)

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This section allows the Applicant to optionally attach three (3) community support documents for the Project, including but not limited to testimonials or letters of support. Please send any additional community support documents to ociogrants@iowa.gov. See NOFA Exhibit C Section 2.6.

Community Support Document 1: [Red Oak-All Exhibitsx.pdf](#)
 Community Support Document 2: [2019 11 11 Red Oak Area Report FINAL.pdf](#)
 Community Support Document 3: [Montgomery_County_DDM.pdf](#)

Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement - Exhibit E

Exceptions to Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement*

[exhibit_e_-_broadband_grants_program_grant_agreement_nofa004.docx](#)

Certification, Authorization, and Release of Information - Exhibit F

Certification Letter (Public)*

[exhibit_f_-_certification_letter_nofa_004.pdf](#)

Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G

Form 22 (Public)*

[exhibit_g_-_request_for_confidentiality_-_form_22_nofa_004.pdf](#)

Project Budget

Category	Description	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D)	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D1)	Total Estimated Project Budget (D+D1)	Requested Grant Support % (up to 35%)	Grant Request (Est. Cost * Request %)
Conduit		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Fiber/Copper	Fiber Cable	\$507,438.00	\$0.00	\$507,438.00	35.0	\$177,603.30
OSP Engineering	Staking sheets, inventory, pay requests, as-builts	\$112,764.00	\$0.00	\$112,764.00	35.0	\$39,467.40
Design Engineering		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Construction Mgmt.		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Tower		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Antenna		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Boring	directional boring	\$172,634.00	\$0.00	\$172,634.00	35.0	\$60,421.90
Trenching		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Knifing	Plowing fiber	\$3,082,216.00	\$0.00	\$3,082,216.00	35.0	\$1,078,775.60
Aerial Deployment/Make Ready		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Outside Plant		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Switching Equipment	Switching feature set for locations	\$18,146.00	\$0.00	\$18,146.00	35.0	\$6,351.10
Routing Equipment		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Optical Equipment	Optical Line Terminal (OLT)	\$186,102.00	\$0.00	\$186,102.00	35.0	\$65,135.70
Customer Premise Equipment	Optical Network Terminal (ONT)	\$931,354.00	\$0.00	\$931,354.00	35.0	\$325,973.90
Other		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Totals		\$5,010,654.00	\$0.00	\$5,010,654.00		\$1,753,728.90

Minority Impact Statement

Question # 1

1. The proposed grant programs or policies could have a disproportionate or unique POSITIVE IMPACT on minority persons. *

Not Applicable

If YES, describe the positive impact expected from this project

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.

Question # 2

2. The proposed grant project programs or policies could have a disproportionate or unique NEGATIVE IMPACT on minority persons. *

Not Applicable

If YES, describe the negative impact expected from this project.

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If YES, present the rationale for the existence of the proposed program or policy.

If YES, provide evidence of consultation with representatives of the minority groups impacted.

Indicate the group(s) negatively impacted.

Question # 3

3. The proposed grant project programs or policies are NOT EXPECTED TO HAVE A DISPROPORTIONATE OR UNIQUE IMPACT on minority persons. *

Not Applicable

If YES, present the rationale for determining no impact.

Providing Broadband will positively impact everyone who wants to use the service.

Certification

I hereby certify that the information on this form is complete and accurate, to the best of my knowledge. *

Yes

Name of Person Submitting Certification. *

Timothy L Eklund

Title of Person Submitting Certification*

CFO

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