

Broadband USA Applications Database

Applicant Name: Midwest Energy Cooperative

Public Notice Submissions

-----**Service Area:** Midwest

Submitter: Message Express Internet

Comment: Message Express Internet currently offers wireless broadband services in the proposed funded service area.

Submitter: Charter Communications

Comment: Charter Communications ('Charter'), a broadband service provider, has invested capital to provide a full range of Broadband services, including High Speed Internet services, in this service area. The applicant's request in the proposed under-served service area would create an overlap in Charter's service area. Charter's response includes the necessary information to validate the overlapping condition as a result of this applicant's request.

Submitter: Deerfield Telephone Company

Comment: • Deerfield Telephone Company (Deerfield) service territory overlaps approximately 1% of the Midwest Energy Cooperative Midwest proposed funded service area (PFSA) in Michigan. Midwest Energy Cooperative designates this area as underserved. In the overlapping area, Deerfield Telephone provides services and advertises 16 Meg service and has a penetration a rate of over 40%. When the Deerfield numbers are combined with the rest of the state, the area may not be underserved.