

## Broadband USA Applications Database

**Applicant Name:** Nex-Tech Wireless, LLC

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### Public Notice Submissions

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-----**Service Area:** Cluster10

**Submitter:** Wilson Telephone Co Inc dba Wilson Communications

**Comment:** Wilson Communications has been providing high quality and leading technology telecommunications services to rural Kansans for more than sixty years. Wilson Communications began offering high speed internet access service to our customers in the late 1990's. We continued to expand our fiber network and now can provide broadband services to 100% of our customers. Wilson Communications continues to make investments in fiber optic facilities to ensure our customers have access to the latest broadband technology. We provide broadband to critical community anchor institutions including schools, rural health clinics, and public libraries. We are a full service provider of communications services and are able to bundle services offering discounts to our customers. Wilson Communications is a community based company, providing volunteerism, and other forms of support to each of the seven communities we serve.

-----**Service Area:** Cluster09

**Submitter:** Twin Valley Telephone, Inc.

**Comment:** Twin Valley Telephone, Inc. ("TVT") is an Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier ("ILEC") that has provided communications services in north-central Kansas since 1947 and has participated in multiple RUS programs. With a state-of-the-art broadband network featuring fiber-to-the-premises ("FTTP") and ADSL2+ infrastructure, TVT has the ability to provide broadband services to 100% of the households and businesses within its 2400 square mile service territory. In approximately two-thirds of its territory, TVT can provide broadband service at speeds of up to 100 mbps to every household with its FTTP architecture. In the remaining one third of its territory, TVT can provide broadband service at speeds of at least 8 mbps and up to 25 mbps. TVT's broadband service has been enthusiastically embraced by its customers, and its rate of broadband subscribership is well in excess of 40%.

TVT does not believe that Nex-Tech Wireless, LLC's ("Nex-Tech") characterization of its proposed service area as partly unserved and partly underserved is accurate. Although TVT is not privy to any of the underlying data upon which Nex-Tech purports to demonstrate that the area is unserved/underserved, the information provided in this Response suggests that the proposed service area is neither unserved nor underserved as those terms are defined in the Notice of Funding Availability ("NOFA") published in the July 9, 2009, Federal Register.

**Submitter:** Home Communications, Inc.

**Comment:** For the portion of this application that overlaps the Home Communications, Inc. serving area, broadband of at least 768kbps downstream and 200kbps upstream is accessible to 100% of households and 100% of businesses. Additionally, Home Communications, Inc. offers a 3Mbps downstream and 5Mbps downstream service in this area. Lastly, Home Communications, Inc. supplies broadband service to over 40% of the households in this area. Per the criteria defined for the stimulus program, this area is classified as served.

**Submitter:** KeyOn Communications

**Comment:** KeyOn Communications currently provides access at speeds of at least 768kbps downstream and at least 200kbps upstream to more than 50% of the homes in the designated area.

**Submitter:** Cunningham Communications

**Comment:** Cunningham Telephone Company, with its affiliate Cunningham Communications has been providing high-quality communications services to the residents of the rural communities of northwestern Kansas for more than 65 years. It was one of the first providers in this remote area to offer broadband services eleven years ago. Currently, almost 100% of Cunningham's service areas have broadband capability reaching speeds up to 10 Mbps.

In keeping with its long tradition of providing cutting-edge technologies, Cunningham has begun a Fiber To The Home (FTTH) project. Through this FTTH project, estimated to be completed in 2012, every customer in a majority of Cunningham's service areas, even in the most remote rural areas, will have a direct fiber feed from their home and business to the world.

Cunningham is a local company that helps anchor the communities it serves. It provides much-needed jobs, 24-7 customer service and local offices. Cunningham provides necessary broadband services to community anchor institutions including schools, libraries, local government offices and public safety agencies. It serves from a local perspective because Cunningham's owners and employees have a personal stake in the communities where they work and live.

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