

## Broadband USA Applications Database

**Applicant Name:** State of Wisconsin Department of Administration

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### Public Notice Submissions

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-----**Service Area:** BadgerNet Map

**Submitter:** Hillsboro Telephone Co., Inc.

**Comment:** State of Wisconsin Department of Administration has applied for broadband stimulus funds in our serving area. Since the area that State of Wisconsin Department of Administration has applied in clearly does not meet the determination of Unserved or Underserved as defined in the Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA), we feel that their application should be invalidated.

Within our service area there are 5 broadband competitors providing a range of service levels from the 768Kb's to greater than 5Mb's. Besides Verneau Networks (Hillsboro Telephone's subsidiary) the list includes Community Antenna Systems, Verizon Wireless, US Cellular and Wild Blue Communications. The coverage of these 5 competitors services more than 50 percent of the available households within our service area.

Utilizing the current technologies that we have deployed 100% of our service area has access to a minimum of 5Mb's and 97% have access to 12 to 47Mb's and in some cases as we expand our fiber to the home 100Mb's.

The facility located within our service area is currently fiber ready at the side of the building.