

## Broadband USA Applications Database

**Applicant Name:** MidAmerican Broadband Pipeline, Inc.

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### Public Notice Submissions

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**Submitter:** Guthrie Telecommunications Network, Inc.

**Comment:** The information contained in this response supports the fact that customers within our service territory, which overlaps portions of the applicant's proposed service area, have access to high quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

**Submitter:** Panora Communications Cooperative

**Comment:** The information contained in this response proves that customers within our service territory, which overlaps the applicant's proposed service area, have access to quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

**Submitter:** Panora Telecommunications, Inc.

**Comment:** The information contained in this response proves that customers within our service territory, which overlaps the applicant's proposed service area, have access to quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

**Submitter:** Iowa Telecom

**Comment:** Applicant proposes to provide wireless and wireline middle mile facilities to unidentified last-mile providers in a corridor approximately 40 miles wide centered on Interstate 80 between Des Moines and Omaha. Iowa Telecom serves 25 exchanges as the incumbent local exchange carrier in the service area proposed by this applicant. Iowa Telecom offers 1.5 mbps broadband service to approximately 80% of all households in these exchanges and offers 3 to 15 mbps broadband service in 10 of these exchanges. In addition, Qwest, Mediacom and numerous small rural incumbent LECs, rural CLECs and rural CATV companies provide comparable services in their certificated areas which also overlap the proposed service area. Iowa Telecom (and, to the extent that they serve the proposed area

with their comparable broadband services, the other competitors in the area) has also built or leased middle-mile facilities. Based on the variety of broadband services already available in this corridor, Iowa Telecom asks that this application be rejected.

**Submitter:** Mediacom Communications Corporation

**Comment:** A large number of households in applicant's proposed service area are currently served by Mediacom. Broadband speeds well in excess of the minimum broadband speeds set forth in the NOFA are currently available within the applicant's proposed service area. For its part, Mediacom advertises and provides broadband services within the proposed service area at speeds up to 20 Mbps.

**Submitter:** Minburn Telephone Company

**Comment:** The information contained in this response proves that customers within our service territory, which overlaps the applicant's proposed service area, have access to quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

**Submitter:** Minburn Telecommunications, Inc

**Comment:** The information contained in this response proves that customers within our service territory, which overlaps the applicant's proposed service area, have access to quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).

**Submitter:** Panora Cooperative Cablevision Association, Inc

**Comment:** The information contained in this response proves that customers within our service territory, which overlaps the applicant's proposed service area, have access to quality, facilities-based broadband service as defined by the RUS/NTIA Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA).