

Broadband USA Applications Database

Applicant Name: GlenMartin, Inc.

Public Notice Submissions

-----**Service Area:** 12 Winona Dent

Submitter: Fidelity Communications Co. and subsidiaries

Comment: Fidelity is a CLEC, cable TV and internet service provider, who serves a portion of the Applicant's proposed funded unserved and underserved service area within the city limits of Salem, Missouri and some surrounding areas of Dent County, Missouri. Fidelity has built a robust hybrid fiber/coax network providing a large number of subscribers with a package of voice, video and broadband services. Fidelity has provided broadband service via cable modems in this area since 2007 with current speeds up to 15 Mbps.

-----**Service Area:** 12 Winona Shannon

Submitter: Ellington Telephone Company, Inc.

Comment: Ellington Telephone Company provides DSL Broadband Service (at speeds of at least 768 Kbps downstream and 200 Kbps upstream) that is available to more than 95% of the households within the GlenMartin, Inc. proposed funded service area application overlapping Ellington Tel's exchange area boundaries. Forty percent (40%) of Ellington Tel's telephone service customers currently subscribe to Ellington Tel's Broadband Service; and, the majority of Ellington Tel's Broadband customers can receive downstream speeds of 3 Mbps or higher.

Submitter: Boycom Cablevision Inc.

Comment: Boycom Cablevision Inc. is a borrower in the RUS Broadband loan program and currently has an upgrade project in progress using the RUS loan program funding. The upgrade will cover its

Butler County, Wappapello, Puxico, Fisk and Qulin MO service areas. Once completed it will allow high speed data services in excess of 10 Mbps Downstream and 3 Mbps Upstream. Boycom Cablevision Inc. also has cable service in the Birch Tree, Eminence and Winona MO in Shannon Co. These systems are planned to be tied to our Butler Co system via fiber to access high speed data.

-----**Service Area:** 12 Winona Phelps

Submitter: Fidelity Communications Co. and subsidiaries

Comment: Fidelity is a CLEC, cable TV and internet service provider, who serves a portion of the Applicant's proposed funded unserved and underserved service area within the city limits of Rolla, Missouri and some surrounding areas of Phelps County, Missouri. Fidelity has built a robust hybrid fiber/coax network providing a large number of subscribers with a package of voice, video and broadband services. Fidelity has provided broadband service via cable modems since 2000 with current speeds up to 5 Mbps.

Submitter: Wave Internet Technologies LLC

Comment: Wave Internet Technologies LLC currently provides broadband internet service to a large portion of Phelps County, an area GlenMartin, Inc. has marked as mostly unserved. Wave offers transmission speeds of up to 6 Mbps in these areas and, along with other broadband service providers, has saturated much of Phelps County.

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 and un-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: Cable America Missouri LLC

Comment: CableAmerica currently provides Broadband Internet speeds of 5.2Mbps download and 512Kbps upload.

Submitter: Windstream

Comment: Windstream's data strongly suggest that the proposed funded service area likely does not qualify as an unserved area. Windstream offers facilities-based, terrestrial broadband service at advertised speeds of greater than 768 kbps downstream and 200 kbps upstream to some of the households within the proposed funded service area, and such households can readily subscribe to Windstream's broadband service upon request. Windstream also has reason to believe that competitive broadband offerings are available in exchanges overlapping the proposed funded service area. Given this information, agency officials should further investigate existing broadband offerings within the proposed funded service area, so that officials can be sure that the area, in fact, qualifies as unserved.

Windstream is a communications and entertainment company with more than 1 million broadband customers in 16 states. Investing more than \$200 million in broadband deployment over the last several years, Windstream now offers approximately 89% of its 3 million voice customers access to quality and affordable broadband service.

The agencies define an "unserved area" as follows: "Unserved area means a proposed funded service area, composed of one or more contiguous census blocks, where at least 90 percent of households in the proposed funded service area lack access to facilities-based, terrestrial broadband service, either fixed or mobile, at the minimum broadband transmission speed (set forth in the definition of broadband above). A household has access to broadband service if the household can readily subscribe to that service upon request."