

## Broadband USA Applications Database

**Applicant Name:** Centennial Board of Cooperative Educational Services

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### Public Notice Submissions

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-----**Service Area:** RSA 5

**Submitter:** Comcast Cable

**Comment:** Attached is a summary of the Comcast Cable homes passed, subscriber and advertising information related to the service areas encompassed by this application.

**Submitter:** CenturyLink

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-----**Service Area:** RSA 4

**Submitter:** Nucla-Naturita Telephone Co. DBA NNTC Wireless

**Comment:** Nucla-Naturita Telephone Company, d.b.a. NNTC Wireless, has been providing high-quality communication services to the remote and mountainous areas of western Colorado for more than sixty years. We were among the first in the area to provide broadband service. In 2003, NNTC's customers could access the Internet at 640 kbps, a speed at the time that rivaled metropolitan areas. NNTC continually stays atop off technological trends offering its customers ever-increasing speeds. In 2006, customers were offered broadband service at speeds topping out at 3 Mbps.

NNTC operates in the Rocky Mountains and provides service to community anchor institutions including forest service offices and wildfire stations. Due to the extreme terrain, some remote areas were unable to receive broadband services over wireline facilities. In order to serve these residents and institutions, NNTC invested in wireless spectrum in 2005. Customers can now access wireless broadband services including 3G EVDO wireless access. NNTC is a local company, proudly serving the western slopes of the Rocky Mountains. It looks forward to the next 60 years, keeping this geographically remote area on the technological cutting edge.

**Submitter:** Stelera Wireless, LLC

**Comment:** The applicant's proposed service area does not qualify as unserved or underserved as defined by the BIP or BTOP programs. Stelera Broadband will provide broadband access to the service area with peak speeds of 9-10 mbps in the next 6 months. The town of Gunnison will be served by Stelera Broadband, a broadband service provider under the RUS Broadband Loan program. Stelera plans to advertise and deliver broadband transmission speeds in excess of 3 mbps downstream. Over 50% of the households in the proposed service area will soon have access to terrestrial broadband service at greater than the minimum broadband transmission speed. The area does not qualify as unserved because the number of households lacking access to broadband is less than 90% based on Stelera research.

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**Submitter:** Blanca Telephone Company

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**Comment:** The applicant's proposed service area does not qualify as unserved or underserved as defined by the BIP or BTOP programs. Stelera Broadband will provide broadband access to the service area with peak speeds of 9-10 mbps in the next 6 months. The town of Durango will be served by Stelera Broadband, a broadband service provider under the RUS Broadband Loan program. Stelera plans to advertise and deliver broadband transmission speeds in excess of 3 mbps downstream. Over 50% of the households in the proposed service area will soon have access to terrestrial broadband service at greater than the minimum broadband transmission speed. The area does not qualify as unserved because the number of households lacking access to broadband is less than 90% based on Stelera research.

**Submitter:** Velocitynet LLC

**Comment:** VelocityNet, hereby, respectfully opposes and objects to this and all applications being considered for Broadband competitors applying for BIP or BTOP funding to expand into our existing rural markets of La Plata County and Montezuma County, Colorado.

These two counties are neither "unserved" nor "underserved" as defined by BIP and BTOP, and should not be eligible for any BIP or BTOP funding.

VelocityNet LLC has been providing and advertising 3Mb of high-speed broadband, wireless Internet services in Montezuma County and La Plata County in Colorado for over six years.

In addition to VelocityNet, there are six other Broadband companies, already providing and advertising high-speed, broadband services in Montezuma County and la Plata County, Colorado.

Qwest provides DSL in Cortez, Durango & Mancos;

CenturyTel has DSL in Dolores, Lewis, and Arriola;

Baja has cable broadband in Cortez;

Farmers Telephone Company has DSL and wireless broadband service in rural Montezuma County;

Brainstorm has DSL and ireless broadband service in rural La Plata County;

Mydurango.net also has service in rural La Plata County.

VelocityNet has grown, and prefers to grow, the old-fashion way...through hard-work and reinvesting profits... without relying on grants, loans or other outside financing. If BIP or BTOP provide grants and/or

loans for the markets we serve, they would give an undeserved, “Government-funded financial advantage” to our competitors, and that would be completely unfair in our American free-market economy.

Therefore, as one of numerous incumbent broadband Internet service providers serving these two counties, we respectfully request that this and all existing and/or future applications for Montezuma County and La Plata County in Colorado be denied.

**Submitter:** Qwest

**Comment:** As authorized by the BIP and BTOP Notice of Funds Availability and the Public Notice associated with the publication of BIP and BTOP broadband infrastructure project funding applications found on the BroadbandUSA.gov website, Qwest responds with broadband service data to the application of Centennial Board of Cooperative Educational Services, RSA9 for funding for an area represented as “underserved” that is located, in whole or in part, in Qwest’s broadband service area.

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-----**Service Area:** RSA 6

**Submitter:** US Cable of Coastal-Texas, L.P.

**Comment:** US Cable of Coastal-Texas, L.P. provides high speed broadband internet service in communities that are within the applicant's proposed service area.

**Submitter:** Comcast Cable

**Comment:** Attached is a summary of the Comcast Cable homes passed, subscriber and advertising information related to the service areas encompassed by this application.

**Submitter:** Roggen Telephone Enterprises, Inc.

**Comment:** Roggen Telephone Cooperative Company and its affiliate Roggen Telephone Enterprises, Inc. (RTE) has been providing high-quality communications services to the residents of rural communities of northeastern Colorado for 75 years. It was one of the first providers in this remote area to offer broadband services seven years ago. Building on its reputation for providing cutting-edge technologies to service areas that other larger providers ignore, RTE provides broadband services at speeds up to 3 Mbps to 100% of its service areas. RTE also provides service to rural neighboring communities within a 1200 square mile radius.

RTE is a local company that helps anchor the communities it serves. It provides much-needed jobs, 24-7 customer service, technical support, and local offices. RTE provides needed broadband services to community anchor institutions including schools, local and state government offices and public safety agencies. Due to the geographical remoteness of the areas where RTE serves, academic studies, both at the secondary and university levels, are often online. Many of RTE's customers rely on its broadband service, as well as its computer service and sales, for educational purposes.

RTE, along with its parent company, strives to provide superior communications services to our customers and communities. We look forward to a future, based on our past performance, of

innovation and a commitment to excellence. We serve our customers with pride and respect, and, among our employees, have formed an enthusiastic team with the skills, abilities, and dedication that make a positive difference in the communities we serve. Our customers rely on us to be a leader in the industry, providing a bridge to their communications future.

-----**Service Area:** RSA 3

**Submitter:** Phillips County Communications dba PC Telcom

**Comment:** Phillips County Telephone Company (PCTC) is a small, progressive, cooperative Rural Local Exchange Carrier (RLEC) located in Holyoke, Colorado. PCTC and its subsidiaries, Phillips County Communications, LLC (PCC, LLC) and PC Telcorp, Inc. (Telcorp) provide broadband Internet access ranging from 512 kbps down to 3 Mbps down to the entire service area for PCTC as well as the neighboring rural communities of Fleming, Haxtun, Julesburg, and Ovid, Colorado. All three entities are doing business as PC Telcom. Overall, greater than sixty percent of PC Telcom's customers subscribe to speeds of 768 kbps down or greater. PC Telcom is one of the largest employers in northeastern Colorado and projects increasing its staff at an annual rate of two percent.

In keeping with its long tradition of providing cutting-edge technologies and after substantial investments in network infrastructure and facilities, one hundred percent of PC Telcom's customers can enjoy broadband access. PC Telcom utilizes a variety of broadband technologies, each tailored to specific local needs and geographical challenges. These include Fiber to the Premise (FTTP), DSL, cable modem and unlicensed wireless.

PC Telcom provides broadband and Ethernet services to most anchor tenants in the communities within its service areas. These entities include all secondary schools; all County Government offices; hospitals and other health care facilities; and large businesses. In addition to Internet access at broadband speeds, PC Telcom also provides state-of-the-art Ethernet services to business customers at affordable rates.

PC Telcom has been the technology leader in northeast Colorado for its one hundred plus years of existence and is looking forward to continuing its excellent customer service record. PC Telcom was one of the first broadband providers in northeast Colorado and now relies on 10 years of experience delivering services to difficult to serve areas that larger providers ignore. PC Telcom is a local company that helps anchor the communities it serves. It provides much-needed jobs, 24-7 customer service and support and local offices. It serves from a local perspective because PC Telcom's owners, who are its customers, have a personal stake in the communities where they work and live.

**Submitter:** Stelera Wireless, LLC

**Comment:** The applicant's proposed service area does not qualify as unserved or underserved as defined by the BIP or BTOP programs. Stelera Broadband will provide broadband access to the service area with peak speeds of 9-10 mbps in the next 6 months. The town of Sterling will be served by Stelera Broadband, a broadband service provider under the RUS Broadband Loan program. Stelera plans to advertise and deliver broadband transmission speeds in excess of 3 mbps downstream. Over 50% of the households in the proposed service area will soon have access to terrestrial broadband service at greater than the minimum broadband transmission speed. The area does not qualify as unserved because the number of households lacking access to broadband is less than 90% based on Stelera research.

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**Submitter:** Plains Cooperative Telephone Association, Inc.

**Comment:** Plains Cooperative Telephone Association, Inc. (PCTA) provides Broadband services to all users located within the PCTA service territory, including schools and libraries. PCTA broadband covers a significant portion of the Applicant's proposed service area. PCTA has constructed fiber optic and copper based wireline facilities using federal funding (USDA/RUS).

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**Submitter:** Rye Telephone Company

**Comment:** Rye Telephone Company (RTC) has been providing high-quality communications services in the remote and rural communities of Rye, Colorado City and Kim, Colorado for 50 years. RTC has been offering broadband services since 2002 and can offer speeds up to 5 Mbps within its service areas.

In keeping with its long tradition of providing cutting-edge technologies, RTC utilizes a variety of broadband technologies, each tailored to specific local needs and geographical challenges. At considerable investment, RTC deployed a Fiber-to-the-Premise (FTTP) platform to serve the vast majority of its service areas.

RTC is a local company that helps anchor the communities it serves. It provides much-needed jobs, 24-7 customer service and local offices. Because of RTC's advanced network, important community anchor

institutions including local and state government, public safety agencies, healthcare facilities, schools and libraries now have broadband services. Due to RTC's entrepreneurial spirit, its dedication to its customers and through a substantial investment in advanced network facilities, these rural southern Colorado communities enjoy the same level of service as offered in metropolitan areas.

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**Submitter:** Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association, Inc.

**Comment:** Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Association, Inc. (ESRTA) has been providing high-quality communications services to rural eastern Colorado for 57 years. Based on our history of serving difficult-to-serve areas that larger providers ignore, ESRTA is committed to providing our customers with advanced, reliable communications service, regardless of where they live and work. To this end, ESRTA is capable of providing broadband services at speeds exceeding 5 Mbps download.

ERSTA is a local company that provides much-needed jobs, 24-7 customer service and local offices. ERSTA is proud to count among its broadband customers community anchor institutions including schools, hospitals, local government offices and public safety agencies. It serves from a local perspective because ERSTA's owners, who are also its customers, have a personal stake in the communities where they work and live.

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**Submitter:** Wiggins Telephone

**Comment:** Wiggins Telephone Association has an existing RUS approved in 2008 construction project design and \$29.7 million loan in place to provide broadband access throughout the entire service area with Fiber to the Home. Portions of the Colorado counties of Adams, Logan, Morgan and Weld are included in the Wiggins Telephone Association service area.

Copper fed DSL is available in the Briggsdale, Grover and New Raymer communities subject to a limit of 18,000 feet from the central office pending construction of FTTH facilities. Additional construction is to be completed by the end of 2011 providing broadband access to all subscribers throughout the Wiggins Telephone Association service areas. All bandwidth packages offered to all areas are at FCC minimum (768 Kbps) and above.