

Broadband USA Applications Database

Applicant Name: DigitalBridge Communications Corp.

Public Notice Submissions

-----**Service Area:** DBC Fergus County, MT 2

Submitter: Central Montana Communications

Comment: Central Montana Communications provides broadband service in the area indicated in the attached map using DSL technologies. Because of the service offered by Central Montana Communications, this area does not meet the definition of underserved under the ARRA. Central Montana Communications offers broadband to greater than 50% of the households in the area, advertises speeds of three mbps, and greater than 40% of the households within the area subscribe to broadband thru Central Montana Communications.

-----**Service Area:** DBC Fergus County, MT 1

Submitter: Mid-Rivers Communications

Comment: The majority of the Fergus County, Montana, area identified by this Applicant on their Proposed Funded Service Area Map is NOT UNDERSERVED as they have indicated. Mid-Rivers Communications has provided and advertised broadband services of UP TO 10 Mbps DOWNSTREAM in the Lewistown, Montana, community since 2007. We currently provide broadband via cable modem in the Lewistown City Limits and via Fiber to the Premise (FTTP) in surrounding subdivisions and rural areas. Mid-Rivers has been designated by the Montana Public Service Commission as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) in the Lewistown Exchange, which covers the majority of the Proposed Funded Service Area, and to date we have deployed broadband to approximately 75% of the population of this Exchange. We continue extending the reach of these service on an annual basis as part of an on-going build-out plan. We are currently serving approximately 1,800 broadband subscribers in the Proposed Funded Service Area, which is already a competitive environment with at least two other providers offering high-speed Internet services in the area. Broadband up to 12 Mbps / 2 Mbps is also available upon request from Mid-Rivers, in addition to Business Internet and Ethernet services scalable up to symmetrical speeds of 100 Mbps.

