

## Broadband USA Applications Database

**Applicant Name:** DigitalBridge Communications Corp.

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### Public Notice Submissions

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

**Submitter:** 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Inc.

**Comment:** 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative Inc. currently provides communications services within several of the applicants proposed service areas shown. We currently serve the exchange of Browning, Carter, and Power, and the towns of Conrad and Shelby over an existing fiber network that extends from our corporate headquarters in Fairfield, Mt. In the public notice response 3 Rivers is providing; 1) a map of the area 3 Rivers provides broadband services, 2) 3 Rivers DSL high speed internet advertising 3) the number of residential households and business establishments capable of receiving broadband services, 4) the number of residential households and business establishments purchasing broadband, 5) the advertised download and upload speeds and service rates, and 6) comments addressing the existing services offered within the proposed funded service area.

**Submitter:** Oki Communications, LLC

**Comment:** Oki Communications, LLC is a partnership between the Blackfeet Tribe and CommunityTel, Inc. Oki provides broadband data service up to 6Mb/sec download to the communities of Browning, East Glacier Park, Cut Bank, Blackfoot, Starr School, Seville and rural areas surrounding each. Oki competes with 3 Rivers Telephone Cooperative, Qwest, Bresnan and GlobalNet, currently serving 450 customers, with a goal of serving the entire Blackfeet Reservation.

-----**Service Area:** DBC Glacier, MT 1

**Submitter:** Bresnan Communications

**Comment:** Based on our research and exposure in this service area, we've concluded that this proposed funded service area fails to meet the NOFA definitions of underserved or unserved as defined in NOFA.

Bresnan, along with other local telcos such as Qwest, provide broadband service in this service area via cable modem and DSL technology. Bresnan provides several tiers of broadband service with download speeds ranging from 1.5mbps to 15mbps.

Our market research and in-depth knowledge of our markets show that we occupy approximately 45-55% of the market share of broadband subscribers in this market, with the remaining distributed among incumbent telcos. With the subscribers and penetration levels entered below, this market area exceeds the penetration and access thresholds as defined in the NOFA, thus making this application ineligible for BTOP/BIP funds in this proposed funded service area.

We have outlined our service areas on the mapping tool provided. Also, see the attached supporting document for additional information regarding our product offering and price points in this market. We also entered confidential and sensitive subscriber details to support our case.

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