

October 5, 2018

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: REDACTED-Petition for Waiver of Study Area Boundary Freeze
West River Telecommunications Cooperative (WRT); WC Docket No. 10-90 & WC
Docket No. 96-45

On behalf of West River Telecommunications Cooperative (WRT), Consortia Consulting respectfully submits the above-referenced Petition for Waiver of Study Area Boundary Freeze. WRT seeks a study area waiver to transfer lines below the exchange level. WRT has received requests for broadband service from six individuals (eight locations) residing close, but just outside of the WRT exchange boundaries in North Dakota. These individuals are currently in areas served by CenturyLink but do not receive broadband access from CenturyLink. WRT is ready to proceed with constructing facilities and provide service to these individuals conditioned on approval by the Commission.

By granting this waiver, WRT would provide broadband service to individuals that currently do not have access to broadband service and will further the Commission's objective of supporting broadband-capable networks.

WRT requests that Attachment 1 included with the Petition not be made routinely available for public inspection. WRT request confidentiality of this information in accordance with the procedures set forth in 47 CFR 0.457. WRT is submitting this redacted version and attachments for public inspection via ECFS. A confidential version has been submitted to the office of the Secretary.

Please direct inquiries regarding WRT's Petition for Waiver to the undersigned consultant for WRT.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dan Davis
Dan Davis
Director of Policy and Analysis
Consortia Consulting