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RE: WC Docket No. 10-90
CenturyLink CAF Phase 1 Proposed New Census Blocks

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Allen's TV Cable Service, Inc. (Allens) is a family owned and operated broadband communications company that has served portions of Southern and Central Louisiana since the early 1960's. Allens has utilized privately invested capital to provide advanced telecommunication network services such as digital video, Internet, digital voice as well as metro, regional and long-haul fiber optic transport services to rural and outlying parishes within the state. Allens is the second oldest cable television provider in the State of Louisiana.

Allens submits the following information in response to the above-referenced applicant's proposal to seek funding for this area. Their proposal includes census block areas either currently served by Allen's TV Cable or adjacent to recently expanded network which now allows advanced fiber services. Allens completed a physical network expansion just recently which opens high speed Internet to several census blocks listed and adjacent to these customers. Allens currently offers high speed broadband Internet to all of its service areas utilizing both DOCSIS 3.0 cable modem service over an advanced, fiber deep HFC network, as well as Fiber to the Home using GPON technology. Allens will soon deploy faster DOCSIS 3.1 technology throughout these service areas, thus providing even higher speed broadband access to over 99% of households in its service area.

In addition to cable modem access, Allens provides both residential and business customers with direct optical Internet connectivity thru Metro Point-to-Point services as well as recently deployed RFoG/GPON FTTx designs/upgrades within its service areas. This new FTTx technology allows for expansion of "Extreme" high speed Internet access up to 1 Gbps or more. Allens applied for and was awarded a Round One American Recovery and Reinvestment Act project to extend its FTTx RFoG/GPON network to outlying, underserved areas near and adjacent to its South Central Louisiana service areas, thus fulfilling the purpose of the ARRA funds. The same services offered to customers in Allen's existing service areas was the proposed service offerings presented in this Round One project.

In addition to our service offerings, several other existing service providers offer a very competitive market for broadband access in parts of our service areas, including services such as DSL and WiMax wireless providers. It is Allens' opinion that its entire service area is optimally and well served and provides adequate customer choice for broadband Internet services.

Allens respectfully requests that any information provided, in support of the due diligence for existing services within the proposed funding area, be treated as confidential and proprietary. Disclosure of some information could cause competitive harm and allow other providers unfair business strategy against Allen's, per 5 U.S.C. § 552(b) (4). Allen's reporting of broadband subscribers does not distinguish between a residential or business user as standard service rates apply for both types at this time. Allens' recent FCC Form 477 Broadband data as of December, 2015 may not reflect recent additions to the network and fiber expansion which began year end 2015.

Allens applauds the FCC, RUS and NTIA for the due diligence determination of a proposed project area. We hope that this information as well as information received from other service providers in these areas will be considered in the final decision of this applicant.

Census Block within or adjacent to Allen's Network consider served:

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