

467 Connection Certification Completion Delays Explanation

Please be advised that I am unable to complete the 467 Connection Certificate for the Breathitt County location at this time because Windstream has not completed the installation. Windstream reported on October 26, 2011 that this connection required a new fiber build-out to the facility. Windstream indicated they had requested a Pole Attachment Agreement to attach to the existing telecommunications poles running down Highway 15. Because the fiber will be crossing Highway 15 in two separate locations, they had to request Kentucky Department of Transportation permits to install the fiber across a state Highway.

The Make Ready engineering is underway for the materials and equipment needed once they have permission to actually hang the fiber on the poles. Windstream indicated the Make Ready and permitting phase is the longest phase of the process, and once this is completed the installation should occur much faster.

Construction began January, 30, 2012 and was completed by February 3, 2012. Windstream will coordinate splicing with SE Telephone and pending that all goes well with this, Windstream will hand this off to KBTN in March.