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March 6, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554
Attn: Wireline Competition Bureau

**Re: WC Docket No. 10-90
Rural Broadband Experiment Expression of Interest – Rate-of-Return Areas
STRATA Networks**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Uintah Basin Electronic Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a STRATA Networks (“STRATA Networks”) hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission’s rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved / underserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.¹ STRATA Networks is a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (“CLEC”) serving rural areas of Colorado, and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Area

STRATA Networks proposes to build out broadband to unserved / underserved premises within the service territory. These areas are currently economically disadvantaged, and need of the services that this proposed network will provide. In addition, to utilizing Connect America funding, STRATA Networks intends to coordinate with state and local agencies to enable efficient use of community resources, such as existing rights-of-way.

State	County	County Name	Tract ID	Eligible High Cost Locations	Extremely High Cost Locations	Annual Support
CO	8107	Routt	8107000300	451	173	214,404
CO	8103	Rio Blanco	8103951100	740	295	433,892
CO	8103	Rio Blanco	8103951200	207	101	103,478

¹ See *Technology Transitions et al.*, GN Docket No. 13-5 et al., Order, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Report and Order, Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Proposal for Ongoing Data Initiative, FCC 14-5 (rel. Jan. 31, 2014).

CO	8081	Moffat	8081000300	220	29	152,439
CO	8081	Moffat	8081000600	972	371	271,919
CO	8045	Garfield	8045951600	70	48	10,543
CO	8045	Garfield	8045951802	16	1	7,824
CO	8045	Garfield	8045951803	3	-	2,200
CO	8045	Garfield	8045951901	15	8	4,640
CO	8045	Garfield	8045951902	52	6	20,554
CO	8045	Garfield	8045952002	23	20	3,396
CO	8045	Garfield	8045952100	74	39	29,954

Critical Community Facilities

STRATA Networks intends to serve multiple anchor institutions and critical community facilities in the funded areas.

Proposed Broadband Service

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 5 to 12 Mbps downstream and 1 to 3 Mbps upstream provided over 4G LTE technology or fiber.

Local Support

STRATA Networks has received numerous requests from citizens and community leaders in the targeted project area to bring high speed broadband to the area. There is a great deal of interest and pent-up demand that we are eager to address. Once the network is deployed, STRATA Networks intends to work with federal, state, and local agencies to expedite availability of services.

Funding

STRATA Networks estimates construction costs to be a total of \$16,000,000. STRATA Networks requests \$16,000,000 in funding from Connect America Funds in a one-time funding and will fund the remaining capital and ongoing expenses to operate the system.

ETC Status

STRATA Networks presently has Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) status for each of the proposed regulated Colorado tracts.

Spectrum

The above areas proposed to be served with wireless high speed internet services are contingent upon STRATA Networks acquiring additional spectrum.

STRATA Networks expects service to be offered to all funded areas within three to five years after construction starts.

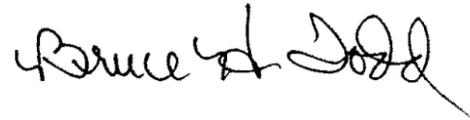
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STRATA Networks appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bruce H. Todd". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

Bruce H. Todd
Chief Executive Officer