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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
Citizens Telephone Company, Inc.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Citizens Telephone Company, Inc. ("Citizens") hereby expresses interest in participating in the Commission's rural broadband experiments to provide robust, scalable high-speed broadband to unserved high-cost areas with additional Connect America funding.[1] Citizens is a rate-of-return incumbent local exchange carrier serving rural areas of Georgia, and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Area
Citizens proposes to install and/or upgrade broadband facilities to 250 unserved premises within the regulated service territory in Sumter, Crisp and Worth Counties Georgia.

Proposed Broadband Service
Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 5 Mbps downstream/1 Mbps upstream provided over the fiber plant funded by this request.

Funding
Citizens requests $.5M in funding from Connect America Funds in a one-time funding.

Citizens expects service to be offered to all unserved customers within three years after construction starts.

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

Sincerely,

Clint Ledger
Manager - regulatory
Citizens Telephone Company

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[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).