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VIA ECFS

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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 for Price Cap Areas
S&A Telephone Company, Inc.**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

S&A Telephone Company, Inc. 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 S&A Telephone is an ILEC serving rural areas of Kansas, and proposes deployment as follows.

Proposed Service Areas

Lyon County, Kansas, Census Tracts 20111000600

Osage County, Kansas Census Tracts 20139010200 and 20139010300

The experiment will provide broadband service to 2,168 eligible high-cost locations in unserved high-cost Census Blocks within these Census Tracts.

Proposed Services

Voice and Broadband services with broadband transmission speeds of 20 MB downstream/2 MB upstream provided over Fiber to the Premise Technology.

Funding

Because the unserved high-cost census blocks within the selected Census Tracts have yet to be identified, S&A Telephone Company is unable to estimate the construction costs and amount of funding needed. The costs will be identified if and when a formal proposal is submitted.

S&A Telephone Company expects service within the unserved high-cost Census Blocks to be offered within one year after construction starts.

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).

S&A Telephone Company appreciates the opportunity to provide this non-binding expression of interest. Please contact the undersigned with any questions.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Janet Bathurst". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Janet Bathurst
General Manager & Vice President