



FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT First Quarter 2010

1. Recipient Organization <i>(Name and complete address including zip code)</i> City of Charlotte Attn: Chuck Robinson 600 E 4 th Street – 9 th Floor Charlotte, NC 28202	2. Award Identification Number NT10BIX5570088
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3. Performance Narrative (Q1)
Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of 2010. This should include a description of federal expenditures to date, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any delays or challenges. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)

The CharMeck Connect project's activities and progress are:

- 7/26/10 - Developed and released a Request for Proposals for the construction of a Wireless Mobile Broadband Network.
- 9/13/10 - City Council approval to accept Broadband Technology Dpportunities Program (BTDP) Grant.
- 9/16/10 - Submission of form CD-450 to the Dept. of Commerce for the Acceptance of the BTOP grant award.
- 9/24/10 - City of Charlotte received 3 responsive RFP proposals for evaluation.
- 9/29/10 - Stakeholder Evaluation Team formed & an evaluation plan created and scheduled for Dctober thru December.

The milestones listed below from the original application have not yet started due to not knowing of our Award and the Special Award Conditions sourounding it, such as the Environmental Assessment 5AC. These milestone include:
 Year 0 Milestones: Contract Award, Finalized Network Design, Complete permitting, Complete licensing, Begin Site Preparation and
 Year 1 Quarter 1 Milestones: Begin Site Equipment Instalation, Begin Installation of Backhaul Network, Begin Installation of Network Core

Federal expenditures to date are \$0.00.

4. Performance Projections (Q2)
Please describe your anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter. This should include a description of federal expenditures, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any potential delays or challenges you foresee. Please use the milestane categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your onswer. (500 words or less)

The City of Charlotte has lost our technical/project lead resource at the end of the project's first quarter. As a result, this will show a delay in the milestones presented in the original project plan submitted during the application period. Additionally, the original plan did not include a crtical pathe milestone for Charlotte to do an adequate evaluation of proposals, contract negotiations and the development for a solid vendor contract.

Charlotte's plan of activities is to do a thorough evaluation of vendor proposals which include requesting vendor presentations in the December 2010 timeframe. Meanwhile Contract administration will be developing a solid contract in preparation for contract negotiations with an anticipation to go to City Council with the Contract Award(milestone) recommendation in February 2011. Therefore the City of Charlotte will not meet the Year 1 Qtr. 2. Milestones which contain the following: Complete Site Work, Continue Site Equipment Install, Begin Backhaul Network Install and Complete Network Core Install.

City of Charlotte will begin the Environmental Assessment (NEPA studies) in the second quarter earlier than original project plan. The necessary expenditures to accomplish these tasks as reflected in our 6 month expenditure and baseline plan will be:

- a) NEPA studies \$334,050.00.
- b) 5% down payment for signature of contract and to begin core equipment manufacturing \$835,125.00.

Should the contract award have any vendor challenges we may experience at least a 4-6 month delay. Other potential delays may occur should responses from necessary coordination of NEPA activities be slowed.

5. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.

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5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	5e. Date Report Submitted 11/18/2010

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