ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT FOR SUSTAINABLE BROADBAND ADOPTION

General Information

1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted	2. Award Identification Number	3. DUNS Number
Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration	01-43-B10577	062620604

4. Recipient Organization

Economic and Community Affairs, Alabama Department of 401 Adams Ave, Montgomery, AL 361044325

5. Current Reporting Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Is this the last Annual Report of the Award Period?
12-31-2010	○ Yes ◉ No

7. 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.

7a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Certifying Official	7c. Telephone (area code, number and extension)
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7b. Signature of Certifying Official	7e. Date Report Submitted (MM/DD/YYYY):
Submitted Electronically	02-11-2011

PROJECT INDICATORS

1. Does your Sustainable Broadband Adoption (SBA) project foster a particular broadband technology or technologies? If so, please describe this technology (or technologies) (600 words or less).
No

2a. Please list all of the broadband equipment and/or supplies you have purchased during the most recent calendar year using BTOP grant funds or other (matching) funds, including any customer premises equipment or end-user devices. If additional space is needed, please attach a list of equipment and/or supplies. Please also describe how the equipment and supplies have been deployed (100 words or less).

Manufacturer	Item	Unit Cost per Item	Number of Units	Narrative description of how the equipment and supplies were deployed
N/A	N/A	0	0	N/A
Totals		0	0	

Add Equipment	Remove Equipment

2b. To the extent you distribute equipment/supplies to beneficiaries of your project, please describe the equipment/supplies you distribute, the quantities distributed, and the specific populations to whom the equipment/supplies are distributed **(600 words or less).**

N/A

3. For SBA access and training provided with BTOP grant funds, please provide the information below. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported underlined **cumulatively** from award inception to the end of the most recent calendar year. For each type of training (other than open access), please count only the participants who **completed** the course.

Types of Access or Training	Number of People Targeted	Number of People Participating	Total Training Hours Offered
Open Lab Access	0	0	0
Multimedia	0	0	0
Office Skills	0	0	0
ESL	0	0	0
GED	0	0	0
College Preparatory Training	0	0	0
Basic Internet and Computer Use	0	0	0
Certified Training Programs	0	0	0
Other (please specify): N/A	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0

4. Please describe key economic and social successes of your project during the past year, and why you believe the project is successful thus far (600 words or less).

The project team conducted the following activities: executed contract with NTIA, developing contracts with Auburn University ECDI, the Community College Consortium "BEACON" (Snead State Community College will be the lead ACCS partner), and with the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind. Conduct a meeting of all project partners to discuss, financial and programmatic responsibilities. Began developing a module review committee to include all partners and the Alabama Broadband Initiative Advisory Board. ECDI began the review of existing training modules already indentified. The project team established a Google site for sharing documents and information with project partners and Cooperative Extension Coordinators.

5. Please estimate the level of broadband adoption in the community(ies) and/or area(s) your project serves, explain your methodology for estimating the level of broadband adoption, and explain changes in the broadband adoption level, if any, since the project began.

5a. Adoption Level (%):	**Narrative description of level, methodology, and change from the level at project inception (600 words or less).**

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69	This is the current average adoption rate, as stated in the baseline and the application, the project has not conducted any trainings that would increase or decrease the adoption level.

6. Please describe the two most common barriers to broadband adoption that you have experienced this year in connection with your project. What steps did you take to address them (600 words or less)?

Developing the infrastructure to the rural areas, and the lack of educational opportunities for individuals that are not technologically literate. The ConnectingALABAMA team continues to work with providers to address areas where there is a demand and to identify populations that are not advancing in technology. The CA Team is working with partners throughout the state, including workforce development, economic development, and community action agencies to identify target areas of technology education.

7. To the extent that you have made any subcontracts or sub grants, please provide the number of subcontracts or sub grants that have been made to socially and economically disadvantaged small business (SDB) concerns as defined by section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, 15 U.S.C. 647, as modified by NTIA's adoption of an alternative small business size standard for use in BTOP. Please also provide the names of these SDB entities. (150 words or less)
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8. Please describe any best practices / lessons learned that can be shared with other similar BTOP projects (900 words or less).
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