

FORM CD-451 (REV 10-98) LF DAO 203-26 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AMENDMENT TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GRANT <input type="checkbox"/> COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT		
		ACCOUNTING CODE		
		AWARD NUMBER NT10BIX5570114		
RECIPIENT NAME Merit Network Inc.		AMENDMENT NUMBER 1		
STREET ADDRESS 1000 Oakbrook Drive Suite 200		EFFECTIVE DATE 08/01/2011		
CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE Ann Arbor MI 48104-6815		EXTEND WORK COMPLETION TO N/A		
CFDA NO. AND PROJECT TITLE 11.557 Recovery Act - REACH-3MC II is 1172 miles of middle mile fiber lit at speeds greater than 1G. The partnership between Merit, the MI 911 Administrator and 7 commercial sub-recipients will extend BTOP-funded REACH-3MC				
COSTS ARE REVISED AS FOLLOWS	PREVIOUS ESTIMATED COST	ADD	DEDUCT	TOTAL ESTIMATED COST
FEDERAL SHARE OF COST	\$69,639,291.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$69,639,291.00
RECIPIENT SHARE OF COST	\$17,409,823.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,409,823.00
TOTAL ESTIMATED COST	\$87,049,114.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$87,049,114.00
REASON(S) FOR AMENDMENT The NT10BIX55701114 Merit Network, Inc., Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant has met the requirements of the Special Award Conditions (SAC) for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance. The Final EA has been approved and the attached Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and has been signed by Laura Pettus, Senior Communications Specialist, Office of Telecommunications and Applications, National Telecommunications and Information Administration. The analyses of the Final EA indicate that the proposed action is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment. Restrictions on the release of funding associated with this SAC are removed as of the date of the lifting the EA SAC in the system. Attached there is a new Special Award Condition (SAC) which includes the environmental protection measures specified by consultations with regulatory agencies in the Final Environmental Assessment that are either required, or requested, to be included in the implementation of the Project to minimize impacts to environmental historic and cultural resources				
This Amendment approved by the Grants Officer is issued in triplicate and constitute an obligation of Federal funding. By signing the three documents, the Recipient agrees to comply with the Amendment provisions checked below and attached, as well as previous provisions incorporated into the Award. Upon acceptance by the Recipient, two signed Amendment documents shall be returned to the Grants Officer and the third document shall be retained by the Recipient. IF not signed and returned without modification by the Recipient within 30 days of receipt, the Grants Officer may unilaterally terminate this Amendment.				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Special Award Conditions (Attachment B)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Line Item Budget (Attachment A)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s)				
SIGNATURE OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE GRANTS OFFICER Alan Conway		TITLE Grants Officer		DATE 08/02/2011
TYPE NAME AND SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED RECIPIENT OFFICIAL Ryan Kunzelman		TITLE Grant Compliance Manager		DATE 09/13/2011