To: Department of Commerce

	National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA)
From:	Gloria J. Broeker Chief Operating Officer, New Jersey Office of Information Technology
Subject:	Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) Extension Request, The State of New Jersey Broadband Network (Award ID: NT10BIX5570105) for Award Period from 08/01/2010 to 07/31/2013
Date:	May 10, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

The State of New Jersey requests a period of performance extension until September 30, 2013)¹to continue the successful implementation of our Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) award. This request includes this project's extension rationale and provides supporting documentation as attachments to the Award Action Request (AAR).

 Reason(s) for Extension Request: The State of New Jersey has experienced circumstances that have caused the need for an extension beyond the original project end date. The narrative below provides an explanation of how the project-specific circumstances resulted in the need for a period of performance extension; our proposed plan for addressing any outstanding issues; <u>and the project benefits</u> that will be delivered during the extension period.

An extension to the spectrum lease period of time was made known to the public through FirstNet Resolution 28 on May 8, 2013.

This Resolution necessitates a longer time to negotiate the spectrum lease terms with the State of New Jersey. This process will include Administrative tasks to support the spectrum lease.

After successful negotiations the State expects to request another extension to the project.

- 2) **Supporting Documentation:** The State of New Jersey submits the following documentation to assist NTIA with the review of this extension request. The attached materials have been updated according to revised project plans for an extended award period and reflect the narrative provided above.
 - **Revised SF-424C Budget and associated narrative** (documentation of how remaining Federal and match funds in each SF-424C category will be used)
 - **Project Plan** (updated timeline/milestones needed to achieve benefits within the extension period)

¹OMB approved NTIA's waiver request for BTOP recipients and provided a limited authorization for the expenditure of BTOP funds on projects extended beyond September 30, 2013. The approved waiver request only grants NTIA the ability to extend projects up until the closure of the BTOP Treasury account on September 30, 2015; however, at this time, NTIA is only considering extending public safety awards beyond September 30, 2014.

• **Revised Performance Projections** (table below)

Performance Indicator	Revised Project Goals
New Network Miles Deployed	361
New Network Miles Leased	N/A
Existing Network Miles Upgraded	N/A
Existing Network Miles Leased	N/A
CAIs Receiving New Access	0
CAIs Receiving Improved Access	57

Revised Performance Projections

• For recipients requesting an extension beyond September 30, 2013, a breakdown of planned <u>expended</u> award funding(table below)

The State of New Jersey understands that it must continue to comply with all statutory and programmatic requirements and that this is a no-cost period of performance extension request only (i.e., no additional BTOP funding will be provided under this extension request).

Sincerely,

Gloria J. Broeker Chief Operating Officer, New Jersey Office of Information Technology Treasury, New Jersey Department of

Recipients are encouraged to work with their Federal Program Officer (FPO) prior to submitting the extension request. Upon submission of the extension request and supporting documentation as an AAR, the FPO will forward to the Grants Office. The Grants Office reviews the request and communicates the decision to the recipient.