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Assistant Secretary Strickling,

The Indiana BTOP review team consisting of professional staff from the Governor's Office, Lieutenant Governor's Office, Office of Community and Rural Affairs, Office of Technology, Indiana Economic Development Corporation, Utility Regulatory Commission, Office of Utility Consumer Counselor and the State Budget Agency has completed a review of the information provided by NTIA.

The process required each team member to evaluate the available information for viability and public benefit. The team considered additional factors including the company and project locations, requested grant amounts as well as the following priorities.

Indiana supports these basic, yet fundamental priorities. They are as follows:

- Promote sustainable job creation
- Maximize the leveraging of private investment
- Utilize "shovel-ready" sites
- Are proposed by Indiana-based applicants
- Propose sustainable business plans
- Serve the "unserved" areas first
- Support programs that promote broadband adoption throughout Indiana

The following applications appear to have merit:

## **Comprehensive Community Infrastructure**

Broadband Training Expansion at the University of Illinois Fire Service Institute, Application ID 7502 City of Gary Digital Access and Learning Initiative (GDALI), Application ID 7692 Computer Services to Justifying Sustainable Middle and Last Mile Infrastructure to Rural Areas, Application ID 7542 Fiber Optic Infrastructure Connectivity for Greene County Schools and Communities, Application ID 4999 Garrett, IN Middle Mile Community Infrastructure Project, Application ID 6313 Greater Evansville Broadband Alliance - (GEBA), Application ID 6069 High Speed Internet comes to Rural Brown County, Application ID 7535 Marshall County MetroNet (MCMetronet), Application ID 7535 Methodist Hospitals' Community Network (MH ComNet), Application ID 6360



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## **Public Computer Center**

Broadband Millenial Centers for the Promotion of Community Education in Economically Distressed Area, Application ID 5674 Centers of Opportunity - Indianapolis, Application ID 6349 City of Gary's Computer Resource Learning Center, Application ID 6969 Indiana Libraries: Connecting You with the World (ILCYW), Application ID 6855 Indianapolis Centers for Working Families, Application ID 4633 Muncie Community Campus of Learners, Application ID 4197 WebMobile<sup>™</sup> Mobile Broadband Public Computer and A/V Communications Centers, Application ID 5704

## Sustainable Broadband Adoption

BET Networks National Sustainable Broadband Adoption Project, Application ID 5740 Bring IT Home Indiana, Application ID 6367 Fostering Broadband Adoption for Senior Citizens, Rural Americans and Native Americans, Application ID 7025 HUD Broadband Adoption Initiative, Application ID 6935 Muncie Community Campus of Learners Broadband Project, Application ID 6920 Project Endeavor, Application ID 6814 The Broadband Community Commons, Application ID 6516

Sincerely,

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