

Public Notice Submission

Provider Name: Chariton Valley Telephone

Summary: Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation is a cooperative established in 1952 serving 19 telephone exchanges in north central Missouri. Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation, a long time Rural Utilities Service borrower, secured a loan for the purpose of extending broadband to a large portion of Chariton Valley's service area. To date, Chariton Valley has invested nearly \$15,000,000 in fiber-to-the-home using RUS loan funds and company cash. Chariton Valley, a long time leader in the deployment of leading edge telecommunications technology, is positioned to provide the broadband connection demanded for rural survival within this service area. With the Broadband Initiatives Program's High Speed Access goal of at least 5 Mbps (upstream and downstream combined) Chariton Valley re-evaluated its broadband construction plans. To meet the High Speed Access Goal of 5 Mbps for all remaining non fiber-to-the-home passings in the Chariton Valley Telephone ILEC and CLEC service areas, Chariton Valley has applied for a BIP grant and loan to complete the work began much earlier.