



## FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT 2010

<b>1. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including zip code)</b> Vermont Telecommunications Authority One National Life Drive, Records Center Building Montpelier, VT 05620-3205	<b>2. Award Identification Number</b>  NT10BIX5570076
<b>3. Performance Narrative (Q1)</b> <i>Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of your award period. This should include a description of federal expenditures to date, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any delays or challenges. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consistent with Special Award Condition 10, VTA and Sovernet are working with VTel to resolve overlap between Vermont Fiber Link and VT BELL projects.</li> <li>Issued RFQ and RFP for EA work, and selected a contractor. Submitted project description and route information to NTIA environmental officer to initiate required consultations. EA Contractor is currently working on modified routes due to overlap work to resubmit.</li> <li>Issued RFQ for Professional and Engineering Services for Network Design.</li> <li>Hired Business Development Manager, who is calling on CAI's to confirm commitments to purchase service.</li> <li>VTA hired an Accounting and Compliance Manager.</li> <li>Sub grant agreement with Sovernet not yet signed</li> <li>Pre-Award and current quarter expenditures for Administrative and legal expenses.</li> <li>No draw downs; used internal funds pending sub-grant agreement finalization</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Performance Projections (Q2)</b> <i>Please describe your anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter. This should include a description of federal expenditures, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any potential delays or challenges you foresee. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalize and obtain NTIA approval for project modifications required to resolve overlap issues.</li> <li>Working to meet Environmental Assessment timeline of 1/02/2011 but revised routes to avoid overlap are going to be resubmitted.</li> <li>Draft and Issue RFP for Professional Services for Network Design</li> <li>Draft and Issue RFP for Equipment Vendors</li> <li>Obtain signed sub grant agreement with Sovernet</li> <li>Anticipated expenses \$305,000 for Administrative and Legal; Engineering and EA</li> </ul>	
<b>5. 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.</b>	
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<b>5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official</b> 	<b>5e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)</b> <b>11/24/2010 - Resubmitted</b>

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