

RECIPIENT NAME:Appalachian Valley Fiber Network

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### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

#### General Information

<b>1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted</b> Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration	<b>2. Award Identification Number</b> NT10BIX5570101	<b>3. DUNS Number</b> 961720575
<b>4. Recipient Organization</b>  Appalachian Valley Fiber Network 1170 PARKER LN, Lyerly, GA 30730-5017		
<b>5. Current Reporting Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY)</b>  12-31-2013	<b>6. Is this the last Annual Report of the Award Period?</b>  <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
<b>7. 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>		
<b>7a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Certifying Official</b>  Deana Perry  CFO	<b>7c. Telephone (area code, number and extension)</b>  7068574646	
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<b>7b. Signature of Certifying Official</b>  Submitted Electronically	<b>7e. Date Report Submitted (MM/DD/YYYY):</b>  03-13-2014	

**OVERALL PROJECT PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

1. Please provide the following average cost figures for your project. Please review the instructions to determine how to calculate these figures. Write "0" in the second column and "N/A" in the third column if your project does not yet have this information. Depending on whether your project contains Middle Mile and/or Last Mile components, some metrics may not apply. Please provide a narrative description if the total is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (600 words or less).

Cost Indicator	Average Cost / Speed	Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information)
Average cost per new mile (Middle Mile)	52072	Cumulative direct middle mile capital costs divided by total new miles
Average cost per household passed (Last Mile)	0	N/A. AVFN is a purely middle-mile project.
Average cost per subscriber (Last Mile)	0	N/A. AVFN is a purely middle-mile project.
Maximum broadband speed advertised (Middle Mile)	10Gbps	Maximum speed offered
Maximum broadband speed advertised (Last Mile)	0	N/A. AVFN is a purely middle-mile project.
Average broadband speed provided (Middle Mile)	20Mbps	Average speed of subscribers
Average broadband speed provided (Last Mile)	0	N/A. AVFN is a purely middle-mile project.

2. Please provide each facility name and type, the county where the facility is located, and census tract information for any facilities funded by your project during this annual reporting period. Report only facilities for which construction has been completed.

Facility Identifier / Name	Facility Type	County	Census Tracts
Addendum	Addendum	Addendum	Addendum

Add Facility

Remove Facility

3. Please identify (1) the total number of interconnection, peering, and/or transit agreements entered into during this annual reporting period; (2) the total number of agreements of each type that you are currently negotiating; and (3) whether you have denied any request for interconnection and if so, why. If you have not entered into any agreements, please write "N/A."

**Interconnection Agreements (600 words or less)**

In 2013, AVFN signed an interconnection agreement with Cartersville FiberCom and Calhoun Telecommunications (Calnet) of Calhoun. AVFN is not currently negotiating any additional interconnect agreements. AVFN has not denied any request to interconnect.

**Peering and Transit Agreements (600 words or less)**

None for 2013

**CAPACITY, UTILIZATION, AND CAPABILITY INDICATORS**

**4. Community Anchor Institutions:** In the chart below, please provide information on the types of community anchor institutions capable of receiving service (i.e., anchor institutions connected to your network plus those passed by your network) as a result of BTOP funds.

Type of Community Anchor Institution	Total Number Within Service Area	Type of Community Anchor Institution	Total Number Within Service Area
Schools (K-12)	23	Public Housing	0
Libraries	9	Other Institutions of Higher Education	87
Medical and Healthcare Providers	24	Other Community Support Organizations	0
Public Safety Entities	16	Other Government Facilities	4
Community Colleges	3	Total Community Anchor Institutions	166

**5. Please indicate the average increase in broadband speed provided to the community anchor institution customers as a result of your project, including a description of how this increase was calculated (600 words or less).**

Since AVFN is a wholesale-only, middle mile provider, it does not have visibility into the speeds provisioned by retail customers before and after the AVFN network is introduced.

**6. What retail services are being provided by this project? Please describe below. (600 words or less). As an attachment to this report, please provide pricing plans (in \$ per month) associated with each retail service. Retail services description:**

None. AVFN's business plan is to be purely a wholesale provider. Other retail service providers (affiliated and unaffiliated) will offer retail service over the AVFN network.

**7a. What network management policies (e.g., bandwidth limitations, traffic prioritization) are in place for the services provided by your project? 7b. Have you ever limited or blocked consumers from accessing any lawful content, service, service provider, or application, or prevented any consumers from attaching any legal device to the network? If so, please explain why (300 words or less)?**

AVFN has no bandwidth caps, throttling, blocking of lawful content or other traffic prioritization schemes in place. AVFN supports the free and open nature of the Internet and embraces the FCC's policy on the "Four Freedoms."

**8. If applicable, please provide the total number and the percentage of subscribers who have dropped the broadband service provided through this project (total number of households and/or businesses and the "churn rate") and the subscribers' reasons for discontinuing their service (600 words or less).**

None.

**9. Please provide the following information regarding the number of fiber strand-miles:**

Total Number of Strand-miles	Total Number of Active Fiber Strand-miles Used by Recipient	Total Number of Leased Fiber Strand-miles	Total Number of Dark Fiber Strand-miles	Total Number of Strand-miles Being Built		
				Active	Leased	Dark
34,796	0	1,148	0	1,566	0	32,082

**10. If you wholesale dark fiber, please list your wholesale customers and the number of fiber miles you currently are leasing to those customers:**

Parker FiberNet is AVFN's only wholesale customer at this point. AVFN does not have a measurement of the number of strand miles at this time. AVFN leases dark fiber to service providers, including Parker FiberNet, on a customer-connection basis, and these connections can vary in length.

**11. Please provide the following information regarding the facility collocation capacity:**

Total Facility (total square feet for all facilities)	Number of Square Feet Used by Recipient	Number of Square Feet Leased	Number of Square Feet Available
288	72	0	216

**12. If you do not own collocation space, please describe how and where other network providers and/or customers interconnect with your network (600 words or less).**

N/A. AVFN does have collocation space.

**13. To the extent that you have made any subcontracts or sub grants, please provide the number of subcontracts or sub grants that have been made to socially and economically disadvantaged small business (SDB) concerns as defined by section 8(a) of the Small Business Act, 15 U.S.C. 647, as modified by NTIA's adoption of an alternative small business size standard for use in BTOP. Please also provide the names of these SDB entities (150 words or less).**

None at this time.

**14. Please describe any best practices/lessons learned that can be shared with other similar BTOP projects (900 words or less).**

Permitting processes can vary greatly from state to state. Do not assume timing is the same or even similar. Focus on procurement issues early (fiber availability). Set up robust procedures for testing, verification, and proofing of constructed assets. Railroad crossings require very advance-notice and should be started early. Overestimate the amount of time it takes to closeout on construction activities with subcontractors.

**15. Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "Annual PPR CCI Addendum", please provide an updated list of Community Anchor Institutions (CAIs) that you have connected and plan to connect to your network.**

**16. Using the Excel spreadsheet template titled "Annual PPR CCI Addendum", please provide a list of community pairs that are receiving new or improved broadband service as a result of BTOP grant funds.**

**17. Please provide up-to-date network route maps in a single file, in a Google Earth compatible format (e.g., KMZ file).**