QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT FOR BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

General Information

1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted	2. Award Identification Number	3. DUNS Number
Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration	NT10BIX5570112	961773509

4. Recipient Organization

Nebraskalink, LLC 233 S 13TH ST STE 1900, Lincoln, NE 68508-2000

5. Current Reporting Period End Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Is this the last Report of the Award Period?
03-31-2013	◯ Yes ⦿ No

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.

7a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Certifying Official	7c. Telephone (area code, number and extension)
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7b. Signature of Certifying Official	7e. Date Report Submitted (MM/DD/YYYY):
Submitted Electronically	04-29-2013

Project Indicators (This Quarter)

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments completed during this quarter (600 words or less).

In Q1, 2013, NebraskaLink planned and staked and our final projects for the BTOP Grant. Due to Nebraska weather we did not have any build activities during this quarter. We used the first quarter for planning out Q2 activities.

2. Please provide the percent complete for the following key milestones in your project. Write "0" in the Percent Complete column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline plan, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

	Milestone	Percent Complete	Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or subsequent written updates provided to your program officer)
2a.	Overall Project	94	NebraskaLink is close on this milestone. Our delay was due to the winter build season and waiting on approval for our Award Action Request to swap CAI's in our grant cities.
2b.	Environmental Assessment	100	Completed
2c.	Network Design	98	NebraskaLink is close to their target on this milestone.
2d.	Rights of Way	100	NebraskaLink has completed this milestone
2e.	Construction Permits and Other Approvals	100	NebraskaLink has completed this milestone
2f.	Site Preparation	95	NebraskaLink is close to target on this milestone. NebraskaLink was waiting on approval to swap CAI's in our grant cities before continuing.
2g.	Equipment Procurement	99	NebraskaLink is close to this milestone. NebraskaLink is requesting a budget modification to reallocate funds.
2h.	Network Build (all components - owned, leased, IRU, etc)	97	NebraskaLink is on target with this milestone.
2i.	Equipment Deployment	98	NebraskaLink is close to this milestone.
2j.	Network Testing	92	NebraskaLink is behind on this milestone due to the no construction during this quarter. NebraskaLink was also waiting on approval to swap CAI's in our grant cities before continuing construction.
2k.	Other (please specify):	0	N/A

3. To the extent not covered above, please describe any challenges or issues faced during this past quarter in achieving planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).

NebraskaLink's only delays this quarter were due to the winter season and NebraskaLink was waiting for approval on an Award Action Request to swap CAI's within some of our grant cities of our project due to changes in services being provided by alternate carriers since our grant was awarded.

4. Please report the following information regarding network build progress. Write "0" in the Total column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the total is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (600 words or less).

Indicator	Total	Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information)
New network miles deployed	435	NebraskaLink is behind on this milestone due to the winter season and waiting approval (since received) for pending CAI swaps.
New network miles leased	1,427	NebraskaLink is on target with this milestone.
Existing network miles upgraded	0	N/A
Existing network miles leased	0	N/A

Indicator	Total	Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information)
Number of miles of new fiber (aerial or underground)	435	NebraskaLink is behind on this milestone due to the winter season and waiting approval (since received) for pending CAI swaps.
Number of new wireless links	0	N/A
Number of new towers	0	N/A
Number of new and/or upgraded interconnection points	67	NebraskaLink is ahead of our project plan for this milestone

For questions 5 and 6 please include information relating to agreements that you are negotiating or have entered into, or that your sub recipient, contractor or subcontractor is negotiating or entered into.

5a. If applicable, please provide the following information with regard to agreements with broadband wholesalers and/or last mile providers as a result of your project.

Indicators	
Number of signed agreements with broadband wholesalers or last mile providers	24
Number of agreements currently being negotiated with broadband wholesalers or last mile providers	1
Average term of signed agreements (in quarters)	12

5b. Please list the names of the wholesale and last mile providers with whom you have signed agreements (100 words or less). Providers:

Four U Technology
Consolidated Telecom
Nebraska Central Telephone Company
Hamilton Telecommunications
Northeast Nebraska Telephone Company
Great Plains Communications
American Broadband
Windstream
Frontier
Clarks Telephone Company
Three Rivers Telephone Company
K&M Telephone Company
Hershey Telephone
AT&T
SDN Communications
Level 3
Benkelman Telephone
Arapahoe Telephone
Cox Business
Allo
Pinpoint
Glenwood Telecommunications
Unite Private Networks
USA Communications

5c. What wholesale services are being provided by this project? Please describe below. As an attachment to this report, please provide pricing plans (in $ per month) associated with each wholesale service provided by your product (100 words or less). Wholesale services description:

NebraskaLink currently offers the following wholesale services: Direct Internet Access (DIA), Ethernet Transport and Private Line/ TDM Services.   These are priced on an individual basis, based on interconnection ability, local loop availability and distance for the circuit.

5d. If you have designated a third party to operate all or a portion of your network, please provide the name and contact information for this third party, indicate if this entity is a sub recipient, contractor, and/or subcontractor, and describe with specificity the portion of your network this this third party operates (600 words or less).

N/A

6. Please provide the data according to the type of subscriber. Write "0" in the Total column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not pass or serve a particular subscriber type. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the most recent reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the total is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

Subscriber Type	Access Type	Total	Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information)
Broadband Wholesalers or Last Mile Providers	**Providers with signed agreements receiving new access**	24	NebraskaLink is ahead of our target baseline for signed agreements with Broadband Wholesales or last mile providers.
	Providers with signed agreements receiving improved access	0	N/A
	Providers with signed agreements receiving access to dark fiber	0	N/A
	Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each	10	10 Mbps: 5 20 Mbps: 2 50 Mbps: 2 100 Mbps: 4 150 Mbps: 1 200 Mbps: 1 250 Mbps : 500 Mbps: 3 1000 Mbps 1 10 Gbps: 3 DS3: 2
Community Anchor Institutions (including Government institutions)	**Total subscribers served**	52	NebraskaLink is currently providing service to 10 CAI's listed in their application, plus have built laterals to an additional 42 CAI's listed in our application. NebraskaLink is currently behind the project baseline on this milestone. Many CAI's listed in our application are currently under contract with existing carriers - some have allowed us to build laterals to their sites for potential future business.
	Subscribers receiving new access	52	Laterals built to sites
	Subscribers receiving improved access	0	N/A
	Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number or subscribers for each	15	5 Mbps: 10 Mbps: 20 Mbps: 3 30 Mbps: 50 Mbps: 60 Mbps: 1 75 Mbps: 1 100 Mbps: 4 150 Mbps: 200 Mbps: 250 Mbps: 300 Mbps: 1 500 Mbps: 1000 Mbps: 10 Gbps: NebraskaLink does not currently supply service to all CAI's - some have laterals built to their sites.
Residential / Households	**Entities passed**	0	N/A
	Total subscribers served	0	N/A
	Subscribers receiving new access	0	N/A
	Subscribers receiving improved access	0	N/A

Subscriber Type	Access Type	Total	Narrative (describe your reasons for any variance from the baseline plan or any other relevant information)
	Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each	0	N/A
Businesses	Entities passed	0	N/A
	Total subscribers served	0	N/A
	Subscribers receiving new access	0	N/A
	Subscribers receiving improved access	0	N/A
	Please identify the speed tiers that are available and the number of subscribers for each	0	N/A

7. Please describe any special offerings you may provide (600 words or less).

N/A

8a. Have your network management practices changed over the last quarter? ◯ **Yes** ◉ **No**

8b. If so, please describe the changes (300 words or less).

N/A

9. Community Anchor Institutions:
Using the table below, please provide a list by service area of the community anchor institutions (including Government institutions) connected to your network as a result of BTOP funds. Figures should be reported for the most recent reporting quarter only (NOT cumulatively). Also indicate whether your organization is currently providing broadband service to the anchor institution. Finally, provide a short narrative description with examples of how institutions are using BTOP-funded infrastructure (300 words or less).

Institution Name	Service Area (town or county)	Type of Anchor Institution (as defined in your baseline)	Are you also the broadband service provider for this institution? (Yes / No)	Narrative description of how anchor institutions are using BTOP-funded infrastructure
Northeast Elemetary School	Kearney	School (k-12)	No	Lateral has been built to site
Emerson Elementary School	Kearney	School (k-12)	No	Lateral has been built to site
Central Elementary School	Kearney	School (k-12)	No	Lateral has been built to site
Holt County Medical Clinic	O'Neill	Medical or Healthcare Provider	No	Lateral has been built to site

Project Indicators (Next Quarter)

1. Please describe significant project accomplishments planned for completion during the next quarter (600 words or less).

In Q2, 2013, NebraskaLink will start and complete our Grand Island town project. Grand Island has 13 original CAI's and 11 new CAI's that were part of our project amendment. Grand Island work should be complete by 7/1/2013. We will also be building an additional 11 CAI's in North Platte. This project should also be completed by 7/1/2013. Lastly, we will be building an additional 9 CAI's in Kearney. This should be complete by 6/1/2013. Once these last three projects are finished, we will have completed our grant build-out requirements.

2. Please provide the percent complete for the following key milestones in your project. Write "0" in the Planned Percent Complete column and "N/A" in the Narrative column if your project does not include this activity. If you provided additional milestones in your baseline plan, please insert them at the bottom of the table. Unless otherwise indicated in the instructions, figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the next reporting quarter. Please provide a narrative description if the percent complete is different from the target provided in your baseline plan (300 words or less).

	Milestone	Planned Percent Complete	Narrative (describe reasons for any variance from baseline plan or any other relevant information)
2a.	Overall Project	98	NebraskaLink expects to be close to completion of this milestone.
2b.	Environmental Assessment	100	Completed
2c.	Network Design	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone.
2d.	Rights of Way	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone.
2e.	Construction Permits and Other Approvals	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone.
2f.	Site Preparation	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone.
2g.	Equipment Procurement	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone.
2h.	Network Build (all components - owned, leased, IRU, etc.)	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone
2i.	Equipment Deployment	100	NebraskaLink expects to be completed with this milestone
2j.	Network Testing	98	NebraskaLink expects to be close to completion of this milestone.
2k.	Other (please specify):	0	N/A

3. Please describe any challenges or issues anticipated during the next quarter that may impact planned progress against the project milestones listed above. In particular, please identify any areas or issues where technical assistance from the BTOP program may be useful (600 words or less).

The only issues that would impact our goals for this quarters project would be inclement weather in our project area.

Infrastructure Budget Execution Details

Activity Based Expenditures (Infrastructure)

1. Please provide details below on your total budget, cumulative actual expenditures (for the period ending the current quarter), and cumulative anticipated expenditures (for the period ending next quarter) for each line item, including detailed disbursements of both matching funds and federal funds from project inception through end of this quarter (actual) or next quarter (anticipated). Actual and anticipated figures should be reported cumulatively from award inception to the end of the applicable reporting quarter.

Cost Classification	Budget for Entire Project			Actuals from Project Inception through End of Current Reporting Period			Anticipated Actuals from Project Inception through End of Next Reporting Period		
	Total Cost (plan)	Matching Funds (plan)	Federal Funds (plan)	Total Cost	Matching Funds	Federal Funds	Total Costs	Matching Funds	Federal Funds
a. Administrative and legal expenses	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
b. Land, structures, right-of-ways, appraisals, etc.	$604,700	$181,410	$423,290	$122,216	$34,658	$87,558	$122,216	$34,658	$87,558
c. Relocation expenses and payments	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
d. Architectural and engineering fees	$1,366,720	$410,016	$956,704	$1,327,104	$421,376	$905,727	$1,428,503	$451,796	$976,707
e. Other architectural and engineering fees	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
f. Project inspection fees	$125,718	$37,715	$88,003	$129,641	$38,892	$90,749	$200,641	$60,192	$140,449
g. Site work	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
h. Demolition and removal	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
i. Construction	$9,349,257	$2,804,777	$6,544,480	$8,893,387	$2,331,449	$6,561,938	$9,283,182	$2,443,972	$6,839,210
j. Equipment	$3,706,362	$1,111,909	$2,594,453	$3,219,440	$1,407,396	$1,812,044	$3,247,658	$1,415,862	$1,831,796
k. Miscellaneous	$1,344,195	$403,259	$940,936	$1,884,812	$443,624	$1,441,188	$1,884,812	$443,624	$1,441,188
l. SUBTOTAL (add a through k)	$16,496,952	$4,949,086	$11,547,866	$15,576,600	$4,677,395	$10,899,204	$16,167,012	$4,850,104	$11,316,908
m. Contingencies	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0
n. TOTALS (sum of l and m)	$16,496,952	$4,949,086	$11,547,866	$15,576,600	$4,677,395	$10,899,204	$16,167,012	$4,850,104	$11,316,908

2. Program Income: Please provide the program income you listed in your application budget and actuals to date through the end of the reporting period.

a. Application Budget Program Income: $0	b. Program Income to Date: $1,069,632