**Completing Access to Broadband (CAB) Program
Project Response Form**

Completion of this form is required as part of the response to a scope of work in the Completing Access to Broadband (CAB) Program. It provides space for a narrative response to each of the evaluation criteria, and it represents a key component in the evaluation of proposals for broadband infrastructure solutions in the specified county. This is not the only required response document: please refer to the scope of work for a complete list of all documents that must be uploaded in your response.

Some of the information requested below should have been included in your response to the Request for Proposal certified in August 2023. You may reference your RFP submission where applicable (by stating “See RFP Submission”) rather than re-submit the same information. However, you must provide any updated information and information specific to this proposed project that should be considered by the evaluation committee.

**Provider Name:**

**Project Title:**

**County Name:**

The sections below correspond to the evaluation criteria set out in the scope of work.

1. **Ability of the Respondent to Perform**
2. Financial Qualifications.
3. Updated Financial Solvency Information

Describe any significant changes in your financial position since your submission in response to the Broadband Expansion and Access RFP. Provide any additional information regarding financial standing and your ability to carry out the proposed project. In addition to the required documents listed in the scope of work, list any additional documents below that will be uploaded as part of this update. (Section 7.I.A.1. of the Scope of Work)

1. Cash Match Attestation

Respondent attests to having the financial match to cover the match portion of this project and that respondent will deposit a sufficient cash match to cover this project in a separate account or otherwise comply with the scope of work, Attachment A, paragraph 9. Identify the source of funding you are using to comply with this attestation (i.e., loan or existing funds). (Section 7.I.A.2. of the Scope of Work)

1. Updated Information on Deployment Grants

In the table below, list all broadband deployment projects in North Carolina or geographically adjacent states funded by grants awarded since Aug. 1, 2023. Respondent does not need to include grants awarded by NCDIT. A narrative box is provided for any additional information.(Section 7.I.A.3. of the Scope of Work)

**Broadband Deployment Grants Awarded since Aug. 1, 2023**

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| AwardDate | Award Amount | Expected End Date | GrantingAgency | Location of Project | Outstanding Matching Fund Obligation |
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Any additional information on these grant awards may be provided here:

1. Past performance.

State how many federal and state broadband grant projects you have been awarded and whether you have failed to complete any projects in the required timeline. Include information regarding any instances where you received notification from the grantor that you had failed to meet project milestones or timelines or submit required progress reports. (Section 7.I.B of the Scope of Work)

1. Experience.
2. Describe your experience building, managing, and maintaining projects of similar size and scope. (Section 7.I.C.1. of the Scope of Work)
3. Describe your experience providing customer service and support to end users of your high-speed internet offerings. (Section 7.I.C.2. of the Scope of Work)
4. Check the number of years *residential* broadband service has been provided by this company in the technology type proposed for this project.

Less than one year \_\_\_\_\_

1-3 years \_\_\_\_\_\_

3-10 years \_\_\_\_\_

Greater than 10 years \_\_\_\_\_

Provide further explanation here:

1. **Technical Merits of the Project**
2. Describe the technical approach for this project, including infrastructure, technology type, equipment, and last mile solutions. Include a broad description of network planning for any central office, head-ends, middle mile fiber, colocations, and remote terminals, to demonstrate that the respondent has sufficient network planning in place to provide the needed service. (Section 7.II.A of the Scope of Work).
3. Provide a description of network and equipment redundancy and resiliency that will be built into the network. (Section 7.II.B of the Scope of Work).
4. Describe proposed speed tiers to be offered to end users. For all locations, the proposed project must be designed to meet or exceed speeds of 100 Mbps download and 100 Mbps upload upon completion. (Section 7.II.C. of the Scope of Work)
5. Provide examples of current pricing information for different speed tiers offered in nearby or similar areas. (Section 7.II.D of the Scope of Work)

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| **Plan Type/Name** | **Download (Mbps)** | **Upload (Mbps)** | **Pricing** |
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1. Describe the respondent’s operational systems, including but not limited to: (1) Participation in the FCC’s Broadband Data Collection system; (2) Commitment to protection of subscriber data; (3) Subscriber support for network access issues including lack of service, underperforming service, or issues with equipment; and (4) Billing and customer service. (Section 7.II.E. of the Scope of Work)
2. **Cost and Scope of the Project**
3. List the total project cost as well as the average proposed cost per location. The total project cost must match the amount included in the project budget attachment. Provide any additional narrative to explain the requested information. (Section 7.III.A. of the Scope of Work).

1. Identify the total number of locations proposed to be served, including how many locations are households, businesses, and community anchor institutions. The total

number of locations must match the number of locations provided in the proposed locations CSV file. (Section 7.III.B. of the Scope of Work).