

**Exhibit A**  
**Project Description**

**RADWIN Proposal Summary**

**Preliminary Engineering Evaluation-Civil**

**Preliminary Engineering Evaluation-Wireless**

**RF Opinion**

**List of Community Anchors**

**Certifications of MBEs and DBEs.**

**4 Tech Media, LLC-CBRS Radio Access**

**KMZ Files**



## Get Wired Alabama



# RADWIN Broadband Wireless Access Solution Proposal For GWA

	GM North America
	11/22/2019

The information enclosed in this report is budgetary in nature. Any references to pricing, market projections, or technical fit of Radwin product solutions to specific GWA market requirements and associated bandwidth service plans are estimates only and subject to change.

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## GWA Technical Proposal Overview

To meet GWA's broadband service objectives within the GWA target footprint of southeast Alabama, a hybrid, multi-band radio access technology solution is required. The topography and vegetation profile of Alabama will be well served by the full utilization of RADWIN's combined low, mid, and high-band spectrum solutions and the corresponding PtMP, PtP and mesh connectivity for both subscriber service access and tower site backhaul.



GWA will be able to offer subscriber aggregate service rates up to 3 Gbps using RADWIN's High-band, up to 250Mbps using Mid-band, and up to 100Mbps using Low-band TVWS access solutions. Urban, suburban, and rural locations can be supported. Both line-of-site and non-line-of-site access is supported but use of each will be dependent on distances, obstructions and service profile requirements of the end-users. Tower to subscriber distances of up to 6 Miles can be supported pending above noted conditions.

# J.M. Garrett & Son, L.L.C.

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- ▶ LAND SURVEYORS
- ▶ PROJECT CONSULTANTS



Managing Director  
South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District  
789 Pine Street  
P.O. Box 336  
Hayneville, AL 36040

Re: Opinion of Probable Construction Cost for Phase I of SCABC Broadband  
Network GetWiredAlabama

Dear Dr. McCall,

Per your request J. M. Garrett & Son LLC has reviewed and evaluated the proposed project construction budget of the proposed broadband project phase I. As requested we offer the following opinion of construction cost for the project. The construction budget appears to be reasonable and in line for a project of this size. It should be noted that this opinion has been given without the benefit of a set of finished construction plans at this time.

Administrative & Legal - \$1,761,710.00

Administrative mobilization legal engineering and professional Services  
GetWiredAlabama Service Zone Website marketing.

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## Operating Equipment- \$110,656.00

Computers, laptops, tablets, GIS equipment office furnishing and equipment

## Billing & Operations Support Systems \$102,734.00

Establishing customer support billing and helpdesk and marketing activities

## Engineering / Professional Services - \$10,459,126.00

Preliminary and working network design, architect, environmental studies, routing and mapping,  
other professional consulting, accounting and compliance.

## Testing (Network Elements, IT Syst. Etc -\$444,335.00

On Site Network testing model.

## Site Preparation- Labor & Other Cost - \$19,190,744.00

ROW trenching opening and closing, purchasing of construction equipment, conduit, cabling, switches and installation.

## Network & Access Equipment - \$27,676,831.99

Co-location and backbone access

## Building & Land -\$2,316,533.00

Purchase and renovation of SCABC Headquarters' building and Main Network Operating Center (NOC)

## Customer Premise Equipment -\$9,308,962.00

Attachments for premise, business and towers

## Outside Plant (Cable, conduit, duct, etc.) - \$31,195,356.00

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## Acquisitions - \$10,000,000

Acquire the assets and customers of small local or regional ILEC/CLES

## Project Contingency - \$11,256,590.94

To cover initial payback and cost estimate shortfalls.

Per your request we can prepare a preliminary schedule of the project and spending to support them. Please let us emphasize that this opinion is subject to adjustment up or down once the actual professional planning work is undertaken and completed within the first 180 days of project funding.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (334) 233-4179

Sincerely,

Frank Garrett Jr.  
Alabama Registration Number 9500



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# FIXED WIRELESS INTERNET PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING OPINION

December 20, 2019

DV GWA, LLC  
RE: GETWIREDALABAMA  
Washington, DC

## **Re: Preliminary Project RF Technical Evaluation**

Dear Sirs:

You have asked me to make a preliminary evaluation of the technical design and deployment activities for a project in rural Alabama.

This is a preliminary technical evaluation of the high-level design, deployment, and costs for a fixed wireless Internet network. You have done extensive work as to deployment, locational nodes, fiber backhaul, wireless access points, coverage, tower locations, and other related cost to implement your plans in the Alabama Counties of Dallas, Lowdens, Macon and Wilcox.

I have examined the data as to the types of access point radios, reach, topography, and other matters for the targeted Phase I areas. This evaluation is related to your estimated cost referenced by and supplied to us for backhaul and fixed wireless Internet transmission via the towers located in and around towns in these counties. I estimate that the project can be completed in less than two years and the costs are directionally correct for the unlicensed spectrum planned (5.8 GHZ) These are shared under separate cover and are included by reference herein.

### Recommendations

As I am not aware Radwin committed to CBRS (3.550 to 3700Mhz) mentioned as a deployment option. If the project plans on using CBRS radios when the PAL spectrum is auctioned in June, I recommend getting commitment from Radwin to launch this product in writing. However, based on the current selection of Radwin radios, I prefer the economics of using standards based equipment as planned such as LTE or LTE-A radios that are part of the CBRS Alliance and approved by Winn Forum for the most efficient use of spectrum. If the network is to expand beyond the targeted towns, I estimate that you will need more tower sites as the trees density in Alabama will pose a problem. For these deployments, I would be focusing on CBRS and/or trying get 2.5Ghz spectrum in upcoming auction next year or so. The use of 5.8Ghz in towns is adequate and should provide fantastic speed options for those able to achieve line of site (LOS) to a nearby access point, but overall for best performance per Mhz consumed Cambium provides a better solutions using a combination of the ePMP 3000 (4x4 MU-MIMO), ePMP 3000L (2x2 MIMO) and the 450m Medusa (14x14 MU-MIMO).



### Qualifications

I have had a long career in Fixed Wireless Access in US WISP Markets, fixed wireless smart grid deployments and cellular networks. Having been an outspoken customer advocate to the WISP community for nearly two decades, I've examined dozens of devices, equipment products, and companies. I have personally deployed the Radwin Technology mentioned in the proposal and worked with multiple operators to develop a new TVWS antenna in combination with the upcoming Radwin TVWS access point

I previously was Director of Engineering Services of a major Asian radio technology firm and specialized in RF design and site selection for their customers. I also supported the pre-sales team with regular engagements with new customer opportunities. In addition to those primary duties, I oversaw the customer operations support team and has instituted various policies and procedures ensuring quick resolution to customer problems. I have been directly responsible for the design, engineering, construction and operation of LTE-Advanced networks. Additionally, I've held responsibility for the day-to-day operation of unlicensed broadband systems and fiber assets.

With over 18 years of telecommunications industry experience, I'm qualified to opine on the knowledge and experience designing, building, and operating wireless broadband, cellular, AMI, and fiber-optic network systems.

I have supervised the deployment and management of multiple electric utility smart grid networks servicing over one million smart meters throughout the United States. Finally, I have been a senior manager responsible for maintaining multiple WISP company's broadband network, in addition to building and expanding service area and coverage through the addition of new wireless and fiber-optic systems.

### Conclusion

Per your request, I have evaluated your preliminary design, deployment schedule and project costs. The reviewed business case supports the project as described. Please let us emphasize that this opinion is subject to adjustments once the actual professional planning detailed work is undertaken and completed within the first 90-180 days of project funding. The plan and cost are reasonable as a preliminary estimate subject to additional evaluation and activities.

Sincerely,

*Cameron Kilton*

Cameron Kilton  
Wireless Engineer

## Anchor Institution Service Connections

Name	Description
ABC Elementary	Wilcox County Schools
Alabama State University Southern Normal Campus	<b>Alabama State University</b>
Goodwill Industries	<b>Goodwill-Easterseal</b>
DW McMilliam Memorial Hospital	
Brewton Agricultural Research Unit	<b>Auburn University</b>
Brewton Medical Center	
Wilcox County Commission	<b>Wilcox Co. Commission</b>
Wilcox Co. Sheriff	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Co. Health Dept.	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Co. Circuit Court	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Co. Development	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Nutrition Site	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Co Engineers	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Co. Shop	Wilcox Co. Commission
Board of Registrars	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Dept Human Resources	Wilcox Co. Commission
Tax Assessor	Wilcox Co. Commission
County Courthouse	Wilcox Co. Commission
Tax Collector	Wilcox Co. Commission
District Court	Wilcox Co. Commission
Sheriff Department	Wilcox Co. Commission
County Water System	Wilcox Co. Commission
Election Services	Wilcox Co. Commission
County Extension	Wilcox Co. Commission
Wilcox Area Chamber of Commerce	Wilcox Co. Commission
Alabama Tombigbee Regional Planning Com	Wilcox Co. Commission
Black Belt Treasures	
Camden Town Hall	<b>Town of Camden</b>
Fire Department	Town of Camden
Utilities & Water Dept	Town of Camden
Police Department	Town of Camden
Wilcox County Schools Central Office	<b>Wilcox County Schools</b>
Camden School of the Arts & Technology	Wilcox County Schools
JE Hobbs Elementary	Wilcox County Schools

Wilcox Central High	Wilcox County Schools
Evergreen Medical Center	
Flomaton City Hall	<b>Town of Flomaton</b>
Flomaton Police Department	Town of Flomaton
Flomaton City Clerk	Town of Flomaton
Fort Deposit Elementary	Lowndes Public Schools
Lowndes Middle School	Lowndes Public Schools
Lowndes Co. High	Lowndes Public Schools
Amedisys Home Health	
Calico Fort	
CSX	
Bates Turkey Farm	
Ellis Oil	
Edgewood Manor Apts	Town of Fort Deposit
Fort Deposit Medical	
Fort Deposit Pharmacy	
Fort Deposit Nutrition	Town of Fort Deposit
Fort Deposit Post Office	US Government
Fort Deposit Travel Center	
Fort Deposit City Hall	<b>Town of Fort Deposit</b>
Fort Deposit Fire Dept	Town of Fort Deposit
Fort Deposit Housing Authority	Town of Fort Deposit
Fort Deposit Police Dept	Town of Fort Deposit
Fort Deposit Water And Sewer Dept	Town of Fort Deposit
Ft. Deposit Library	Town of Fort Deposit
Georgiana Housing Project	Butler Co. Commission
Pioneer Electric Co	
Alabama Employment Ser	<b>State of Alabama</b>
Alabama Dept of Transportation	State of Alabama
L.V. Stabler Home Health	
L.V. Stabler Memorial Hospital	
Charles Smith Annex	<b>Lowndes County Comm</b>
Lowndes Administrative Office	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Board of Registrars	Lowndes County Comm
E911/EMA/HSO	Lowndes County Comm
Alabama Cooperative Extension	Auburn University
Tuskegee Extension	Tuskegee University
Lowndes Nutrition Center	Lowndes County Comm
Hayneville/Lowndes Pub Library	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Dist Court	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Juvenile Service	Lowndes County Comm

Lowndes Co. EMA	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Enforcement	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Engineering Dept	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Road Shop	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Health Dept	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Dept. Human Resources	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Probate Court	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Rural Transportation	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Sheriff Dept	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Tax Collector	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes Co. Tax Appraiser	Lowndes County Comm
Lowndes co Tax Assessor	Lowndes County Comm
Hayneville Town Hall	<b>Town of Hayneville</b>
Hayneville Public Safety Department	Town of Hayneville
Hayneville Water Dept	Town of Hayneville
Hayneville Town Clerk	Town of Hayneville
Hayneville Municipal Court	Town of Hayneville
Hayneville Parks & Recreation	Town of Hayneville
Hayneville Vol Fire Department	Town of Hayneville
Lowndes County Public Schools Central Office	<b>Lowndes Public Schools</b>
Central Elementary School	Lowndes Public Schools
Central High School	Lowndes Public Schools
Hayneville Middle	Lowndes Public Schools
Jackson Steele Elementary	Lowndes Public Schools
Career Technical Center	Lowndes Public Schools
Project Success	Lowndes Public Schools
Head Start Central Office	Lowndes Public Schools
Central Head Start	Lowndes Public Schools
Jackson Steele Head Start	Lowndes Public Schools
Fort Deposit Head Start	Lowndes Public Schools
Hayneville Public Library	<b>Lowndes Library Board</b>
Hayneville Nutrition Center	County Commision
Orchard Health Care Center	
OCAP	<b>Community Action</b>
First Baptist Church	<b>Church</b>
Lowndes Water Authority	
Calhoun High School	Lowndes Public Schools
Lowndesboro Town Hall	<b>Town of Lowndesboro</b>
Lowndesboro Water System	Town of Lowndesboro
Lowndesboro Vol Fire Department	Town of Lowndesboro
City of McKenzie Town Hall	<b>Town of McKenzie</b>

McKenzie School	Butler County Schools
Mosses Town Hall	<b>Town of Mosses</b>
Mosses Vol Fire Dept	Town of Mosses
Mosses Police Dept	Town of Mosses
Mosses Housing Authority	Town of Mosses
Mosses Water Authority	Town of Mosses
Notasulga High School	Macon County Schools
GW Watts	Wilcox County Schools
Pine Apple Community Center	
Town Hall	<b>Yellow Bluff</b>
FS Ervin Elementary	Wilcox County Schools
Repton Jr High School	Conecuh County Schools
Dallas County Vetrans Service	<b>Dallas County Commission</b>
Dallas Co. Enviromental Services	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Child Support	Dallas Co. Dept of Human Resources
Thomas Jones Courthouse	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. District Court	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co Mapping/Appraisal Dept	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Tax Collector	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Circuit Court	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Legislative Offices	<b>State of Alabama</b>
Dallas Co. Voter Registrar	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Probate Court	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. License Tag	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Commission Building	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Courthouse	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Extension	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. District Atty	Dallas County Commission
Dallas Co. Probate Recording	Dallas County Commission
Selma City Hall	<b>City of Selma</b>
Selma Accts Payable	City of Selma
Selma Performing Arts Center	City of Selma
Selma City Drug Unit	City of Selma
Selma Convention Center	City of Selma
Selma Election Commission	City of Selma
Selma City Shop	City of Selma
Selma Marina	City of Selma
Selma Parks & Recreation	City of Selma
Selma Cemetery Dept.	City of Selma
Miss Kitte Theatre	City of Selma
Selma Landfill Office	City of Selma

Selma Police Dept	City of Selma
Selma Fire Dept	City of Selma
Selma City Clerk	City of Selma
Selma Distribution Center	City of Selma
Selma Payroll Dept	City of Selma
Selma Insurance Dept	City of Selma
Selma General Service	City of Selma
Selma License Inspector	City of Selma
Valley Creek Waste Water Treatment	City of Selma
Dallas County Schools	<b>Dallas County Schools</b>
Shiloh Jr. High	Dallas County Schools
Alternative Learning Center	Dallas County Schools
B.K. Craig Elementary	Dallas County Schools
Brantley Elementary	Dallas County Schools
Dallas Career Tech	Dallas County Schools
Martin Middle School	Dallas County Schools
Southside High School	Dallas County Schools
Southside Primary School	Dallas County Schools
Tipton Middle School	Dallas County Schools
Valley Grande Elementry	Dallas County Schools
Selma City School Central Office	<b>Selma City Schools</b>
Cedar Park	Selma City Schools
Clark Elementary	Selma City Schools
Edgewood Elementary	Selma City Schools
Knox Elementary	Selma City Schools
Meadowview Elem	Selma City Schools
Payne elementary	Selma City Schools
School of Discovery	Selma City Schools
Selma Early College Hi	Selma City Schools
Selma High School	Selma City Schools
Selma Middle Chat Academy	Selma City Schools
Sophia P. Kingston Elem	Selma City Schools
Concordia College	<b>College</b>
Selma University	College
Vaughn Regional Medical Center	
Four Rivers Medical Center	
YMCA	
New Hope Community Center	
ProHealth Selma Community Center	
DC Wolfe School	Macon County Schools
Tuskegee Public School	Macon County Schools

Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site	US Government
Macon Co. Courthouse	<b>Macon Co. Commission</b>
Macon County Commission	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co Tax Assessor	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co. Tax Collector	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co Probate Court	Macon Co. Commission
Macon County Property Appraisal	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Sheriff Dept	Macon Co. Commission
Voter Registrar	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co Jail	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co. Health Dept	Macon Co. Commission
Macon RSVP	Macon Co. Commission
Humane Society	Macon Co. Commission
Probate Tag	Macon Co. Commission
Macon District Court	Macon Co. Commission
Macon Co. Circuit Court	Macon Co. Commission
Tuskegee City Hall	<b>City of Tuskegee</b>
Municipal Court	City of Tuskegee
Finance Department	City of Tuskegee
Economic And Community Development	City of Tuskegee
Fire Department	City of Tuskegee
Police Department	City of Tuskegee
Public Works Department	City of Tuskegee
Tuskegee Housing Authority	City of Tuskegee
Utilities Board	City of Tuskegee
Macon County Schools Central Office	<b>Macon County Schools</b>
Alternative Learning Center	Macon County Schools
Booker T. Washington High	Macon County Schools
George Washington Carver	Macon County Schools
Lewis Adams	Macon County Schools
Tuskegee Institute Middle	Macon County Schools
Tuskegee University	<b>Tuskegee University</b>
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center	Tuskegee University
National Park Service	<b>US Government</b>
White Hall Town Hall	<b>Town of White Hall</b>
White Hall Police Dept	Town of White Hall
White Hall Water System	Town of White Hall

**Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund  
2020 Round One Grant Application  
Use Of MWBE/DBEs**



STATE OF ALABAMA

BID LIMIT: U

LICENSE NO. 51580

AMOUNT: UNLIMITED

TYPE: RENEWAL



State Licensing Board for General Contractors

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT

UNITED GENERAL CONTRACTORS INC D/B/A UNITED GENERAL INC

WASHINGTON, DC 20002

is hereby licensed a General Contractor in the State of Alabama and is authorized to perform the following type(s) of work:

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until July 31, 2020 when this Certificate expires,  
Witness our hands and seal of the Board, dated Montgomery, Ala.,

156495

12th day of August, 2019

*Mark H. Amory*

SECRETARY-TREASURER

*Ray White*

CHAIRMAN



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# National Women's Business Enterprise Certification

to

Oasis Construction Services, Inc. DBA Oasis Consulting  
Services

who has successfully met WBENC's standards as a Women's Business Enterprise (WBE).

This certification affirms the business is woman-owned, operated and controlled; and is valid through the date herein

Certification Granted: November 30, 2011  
Expiration Date: November 30, 2018  
WBENC National Certification Number: 2005119281

WBENC National WBE Certification was processed and validated by  
Greater Women's Business Council, a WBENC Regional Partner Organization.

Authorized by Rita Lewis, President & CEO  
Greater Women's Business Council



NAICS: 238910, 541330, 541350, 541380, 541620, 541690, 562910  
UNSPSC: 71122810, 72153900, 77000000, 77101901, 77101902, 81100000, 81101500, 81101514, 81101703





## **Capability Statement**

### **Company Overview**

Oasis Cyber Solutions (OCS) is a leading provider of advanced broadband and managed IT services for businesses and consumers in Alabama. The company operates a highly reliable, advanced statewide data network with the latest technology and the very diverse fiber optic cable system connecting the Alabama Black Belt to the contiguous U.S.

Headquartered in Roswell, Georgia Oasis is bringing lower-cost, high-speed broadband service options to rural Alabama on a wholesale basis. Oasis, together with its partners, is changing Alabama's middle mile capabilities with the construction of new fiber optic cable systems including a planned multiphase international subsea cable system that when completes is planned to connect islands of the Caribbean to West Africa, providing a diverse and shorter route between Africa and North America.

Oasis and the South-Central Alabama Broadband Commission (SCABC) first partnered in April 2009, to establish a middle-mile fiber optic network for the thirteen-county member broadband authority. The newly established Public-Private Partnership provided provisions for Oasis to design, build, finance, maintain and operate the SCABC's new middle-mile terrestrial fiber optic network, that would provide redundancy and expansion of broadband and managed IT services offerings throughout Alabama's Black Belt Region.

Serving customers since 2010, OCS has developed a proficiency for project management and execution, from the small and simple to the large and complex. Our clients are treated with deep respect regarding their budget and their vision to build. We believe in offering the best support, guidance and quality of effort to ensure our clients satisfaction.

### **Corporate Information**

Establishment: December 20, 1996  
Type of Organization: S Corp  
State of Incorporation: Georgia

### **Identification Numbers**

Employer Identification Number (EIN):  
Data Number (DUNS #): 08-654-1468  
Central Contractor Registration (CCR #): 52Y01

### **Capabilities**

- General Construction - Electrical, Concrete, Plumbing
- Design Build and Engineering
- Construction Management
- Underground Utilities - Natural Gas, Water, Storm, Sewer
- Environmental Services - Phase I & II, LSI
- Feasibility Studies and Assessments
- Testing and Compliance Audits

**Certifications**

- Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) – City of Atlanta
- Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB)
- Women Owned Business Enterprise (WOBE)

**NAICS Codes**

236210 - Industrial Building Construction  
236220 - Commercial and Institutional Building Construction  
237110 - Water, Sewer Line and Related Structures Construction  
237120 - Oil & Gas Pipeline and Related Structures Construction  
237310 - Highway, Street, and Bridge Construction  
238110 - Poured Concrete Foundation and Structure Contractors  
238290 - Other Building Equipment Contractors  
238910 - Site Preparation Contractors  
238990 - All Other Specialty Trade Contractors  
541620 - Environmental Consulting Services  
541990 - All Other Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services  
562910 - Remediation Services



Larry Hogan  
Governor  
Boyd K. Rutherford  
Lt. Governor  
Pete K. Rahn  
Secretary

June 18, 2019

CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS  
GRACE MANAGEMENT & CONSTRUCTION, LLC  
9802 ROSARYVILLE ROAD  
UPPER MARLBORO, MD 20772

Re: ANNUAL REVIEW

Dear CHRISTOPHER WILLIAMS (Cert # 10-333):

We are pleased to inform you that your company is eligible to continue participation in the programs and services on the attached Programs and Services List.

Your current certification status can be found in the Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Directory of certified firms available online at <http://mbe.mdot.state.md.us/directory>. MDOT's online Directory is the official record of your firm's certification status. It is important that you review the accuracy of your listing in the Directory.

If you wish to expand the area(s) of work for which your firm is currently certified, you may request an expansion of services. The application for an expansion of services can be found at <http://www.mdot.maryland.gov/Office of Minority Business Enterprise/ExpansionCover.html>. Please submit your expansion application to:

Maryland Department of Transportation  
Office of Minority Business Enterprise  
7201 Corporate Center Drive  
Hanover, MD 21076  
410-865-1309 (fax)

***Your firm must complete the annual review to maintain its certification. The OMBE will provide notification when it is time to begin the next annual review. If you have any questions regarding your certification status please contact the OMBE at 410-865-1269 or 1-800-544-6056.***

Please review the attached Minority Business Resources. If you are not already registered with Maryland's Small Business Reserve Program and *eMarylandMarketplace*, I strongly encourage you to learn more about these programs and complete the free, online registration at your earliest convenience.

The Governor's Office of Small, Minority & Women Business Affairs has oversight of the State's Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) Program. As a coordinating office under Governor Larry Hogan, they connect small businesses to greater economic opportunities. Visit their website at [www.goMDsmallbiz.maryland.gov](http://www.goMDsmallbiz.maryland.gov) for information on business development and training events, and to access a wide range of small business resources.

Sincerely,

Sabrina Bass  
Director, Office of Minority Business Enterprise  
June 18, 2019



Larry Hogan  
Governor  
Boyd K. Rutherford  
Lt. Governor  
Pete K. Rahn  
Secretary

GRACE MANAGEMENT & CONSTRUCTION, LLC  
9802 ROSARYVILLE ROAD  
UPPER MARLBORO, MD 20772

CERTIFICATION NUMBER: 10-333

**PROGRAMS AND SERVICES LIST**

Your firm is currently certified in the below programs and services. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the below information please contact the Maryland Department of Transportation's Office of Minority Business Enterprise at 410-865-1269 or 1-800-544-6056.

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 236115  
**SERVICE(S):** NEW SINGLE-FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION  
(EXCEPT OPERATIVE BUILDERS)

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 236116  
**SERVICE(S):** NEW MULTIFAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION  
(EXCEPT OPERATIVE BUILDERS)

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 236220  
**SERVICE(S):** COMMERCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL BUILDING  
CONSTRUCTION

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 237110  
**SERVICE(S):** WATER AND SEWER LINE AND RELATED  
STRUCTURES CONSTRUCTION

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 237130  
**SERVICE(S):** POWER AND COMMUNICATION LINE AND  
RELATED STRUCTURES CONSTRUCTION

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 237210  
**SERVICE(S):** LAND SUBDIVISION

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE  
**NAICS CODE:** 237990  
**SERVICE(S):** OTHER HEAVY AND CIVIL ENGINEERING



Larry Hogan  
Governor  
Boyd K. Rutherford  
Lt. Governor  
Pete K. Rahn  
Secretary

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## CONSTRUCTION

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 238110

**SERVICE(S):** POURED CONCRETE FOUNDATION AND  
STRUCTURE CONTRACTORS

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 238150

**SERVICE(S):** GLASS AND GLAZING CONTRACTORS

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 238210

**SERVICE(S):** ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS AND OTHER  
WIRING INSTALLATION CONTRACTORS

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 425120

**SERVICE(S):** WHOLESALE TRADE AGENTS AND BROKERS

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 541611

**SERVICE(S):** ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT AND  
GENERAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING  
SERVICES

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 541618

**SERVICE(S):** OTHER MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 561730

**SERVICE(S):** LANDSCAPING SERVICES

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 561990

**SERVICE(S):** ALL OTHER SUPPORT SERVICES

**CERTIFICATION:** MBE/DBE/SBE

**NAICS CODE:** 611430

**SERVICE(S):** PROFESSIONAL AND MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT  
TRAINING



## OUR SERVICES

- Broadband Technology Consulting
- Technology Project Management Support
- Managed Telecommunications and IT Services
- Telephone Systems Installation, Operation & Maintenance
- Design, Installation & Maintenance of Fiber & Fixed Wireless Networks
- Design, Installation & Maintenance of Structured Cabling Systems
- Installation & Maintenance of IP Video Surveillance Systems
- IT Network Configuration, Installation & Maintenance Services
- Network Equipment Resellers/Installers
- Technician Training Services
- TV Programming Services (IPTV & Satellite)
- Facial Recognition Access Controls
- Business Operations & Consulting Support



## MINORITY CERTIFICATIONS

Veteran-Owned Small Business (VOSB)	Charles County Government MBE
New York City WMBE	Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority (MWAA) LDBE
New York State WMBE	Virginia SWaM
New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) DBE	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) DBE
Maryland Department of Transportation DBE/MBE/SBE	Georgia DBE & MBE
Maryland Small Business Reserve (SBR)	Florida Unified Certification Program DBE
Prince George's County MBE	Delaware Department of Transportation DBE





METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON  
UNIFIED CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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WMATA • 600 Fulk Street, N.W., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor • Washington, D.C. 20001 • (202) 962-6493



District Department of Transportation



April 14, 2016

John Huggins, Jr.  
Broadband Connect, LLC  
2105 Catherine Fran Drive  
Accokeek, MD 20607

RE: Certification No. **2551-W**

Dear Mr. Huggins:

We are pleased to inform you that your firm has been certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) with the Metropolitan Washington Unified Certification Program (MWUCP), effective **April 14, 2016**. MWUCP participants include the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) and the District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT). **Your firm is subject to the requirements of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise regulations, Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 26, as amended and all laws of this jurisdiction applicable to the transaction of business.** You are currently certified in the following North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Code(s):

**237130 - Power and Communication Line and Related Structures  
Construction**  
**238210 - Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation Contractors**  
**515210 - Cable and Other Subscription Programming**  
**517110 - Wired Telecommunications Carriers**  
**517911 - Telecommunications Resellers**  
**517919 - All Other Telecommunications**  
**541513 - Computer Facilities Management Services**  
**541611 - Administrative Management and General Management consulting  
Services**  
**541618 - Other Management Consulting Services**  
**811213 - Communication Equipment Repair and Maintenance**

If you wish to add to the list of approved NAICS Codes, you must make such request in writing with supporting documentation to the MWUCP participant from which the original certification was received.

As a certified DBE, you are required to submit an annual "No Change" statement, attesting to your continued status as a "socially and economically disadvantaged individual". You must also submit your current Business Income Tax Returns. The requisite forms are available at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com). You can access these forms by first clicking on *Business with Metro* and then clicking on *Disadvantage Business Enterprise/forms*. The "No Change" Statement and

Broadband Connect, LLC

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supporting documentation should be mailed annually on or before your firm's certification date to:

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority  
DBE & Compliance Office, 3C  
600 5<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
Washington, DC 20001

If a change in the ownership, control or management of your firm has occurred, you must complete and submit a "Notice Regarding Change" statement within 30 days of the occurrence of the change.

Firms desiring information about DDOT procurement opportunities should go on line at <http://ddot.dc.gov/dbe>. To do business with WMATA, go on line at [www.wmata.com](http://www.wmata.com) or [www.metroopensdoors.com](http://www.metroopensdoors.com) to register as a vendor and for bidding opportunities.

A firm is considered graduated in all or some of the areas of work grouped under the NAICS Codes if the firm exceeds the size standards listed under the NAICS Codes. If a firm exceeds the size standard in any of its approved NAICS Codes, it is no longer certified as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise under that specific NAICS Code. If a firm exceeds the size standards in all of its approved NAICS Codes or the established Personal Net Worth standard, it is no longer eligible to participate as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise under the Federal U.S. Department of Transportation Program.

Your certification does not automatically expire, however; your firm must submit the required documents annually on or before your firm's certification date. Failure to provide the requested documents in a timely manner will result in immediate actions to decertify your firm's eligibility as a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise with the Metropolitan Washington Unified Certification Program.

If you have any questions, please contact Catherine M. Svoboda, DBE & Compliance Specialist at 202-962-1854 or via email at [csvoboda@wmata.com](mailto:csvoboda@wmata.com).

Sincerely,



Richard Owens  
Acting Manager, DBE & Liaison

### RECOMMENDATION and DECISION

Following a thorough review of the information submitted by the applicant and analyzed by the DBE Certification Specialist, it is the recommendation of the DBE Specialist that the applicant firm be:

CERTIFIED AS A DBE

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RE-EVALUATION AS A DBE

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DENIED

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DBE Certification Specialist

DDOT

WMATA

Signature

Date

The decision of the undersignees are as follows:

**DDOT Authority:**

\_\_\_\_ Reviewed

Name (Print)

Signature

Date

**WMATA Authority:**

\_\_\_\_ Reviewed

Betty V. Toulson

Signature

Date

**MWUCP Committee Vote:**

\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Lisa Gregory

Signature

Date

**MWUCP Committee Vote:**

\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Christopher Stewart

Signature

Date

**MWUCP Committee Vote:**

\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Jeralyn Johnson

Signature

Date

**MWUCP Committee Vote:**

\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Betty V. Toulson

Signature

Date

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\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Betty V. Toulson

Signature

Date

**Final MWUCP Committee Decision**

\_\_\_\_ Approve

\_\_\_\_ Deny

Comments:

Date:

Chairperson's Initials:

# Information Technology Solutions



**Phillips Communications LLC**

## CLIENT LIST

Jefferson County Alabama

City of Birmingham

City of Birmingham School Board

Blue Cross Blue Shield Alabama

Jewish Community Center

Tala Professional

University of Alabama

Pace Learning System

Tuskegee University

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## COMPANY

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## CAPABILITY STATEMENT

Phillips Communications LLC offers a full spectrum of Telecommunication Services and IT solutions to governmental, commercial and local businesses. Phillips Communications, LLC provides software services under multiple business models including SaaS and standard licensing model.

Phillips provides a fully automated patent pending scheduling solution and integrated communications platform. This platform supports all communication media including the lowest band width SMS.

The scheduling systems open ended architecture allows for easy and rapid integration into existing information systems. By enhancing instead of replacing existing systems costs are controlled and deployment time is decreased. However customizations are provided to meet client request, operation requirements and business strategies. Phillips offers system support and a team with demonstrable experience and expertise.

Phillips Communications LLC is a certified

Veteran Owned Small Business, founded in 2010 by Major Kenneth Phillips, CEO.

## CAPABILITIES

Information Management Technology

Network and Telecommunications

Platforms and Storage

Application Technology

Systems Management

Security

Management Services

Health

# Scheduling System Features and Benefits

## Scheduling Software Capabilities

### Fully scalable scheduling automation

1. Plug-in design allows integration into most scheduling product databases
2. Provides patient or end-user centered scheduling
3. Easily adaptable to multiple industries with little or no coding involved
4. Provides platform for multiple services integration

### Individual Identity Verification

1. Proprietary patent pending system
2. Validated by PCI-level 1 merchant
3. Under evaluation by multiple acquiring US banks for standardization of account holder identity verification for banking system

### System Access Management

1. Proprietary system to enhance existing SSL standard security
2. Specialized customized access controls based upon user identity information (sign in)
3. Fraudulent data insertion prevention based upon proprietary tokenization and Identity Verification System

### Secure communications support and bandwidth use reduction

1. Facilitates direct secure communications between users through proprietary system.
2. Promotes greater efficiency through centralized digital communications monitoring and routing.
3. Supports not only HTML login but also direct response from SMS and email messaging.

### Customizable Reporting

1. Provides real time updates on resource availability, demand, and efficiency of use.
2. Show trends and resource utilization therefore providing the framework for most efficient use of all available resources including labor.

## MORE BENEFITS

Veteran centric scheduling

Centralized scheduling services

Improved scheduling processes  
and oversight

Reduce administrative costs

Improve waiting time and overall  
cycle time of scheduling patients

Audit trail of scheduling activities

Increase visibility for  
management and control of

supply and demand

Standardize data collection

Enforced VHA policies, i.e.  
Business rules

Allow information sharing and

data exchanges both internal and  
external to VHA

Meet Congressional and other  
external stakeholder reporting  
requirements

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[www.phillipscommunicationsllc.com](http://www.phillipscommunicationsllc.com)



Phillips Communications LLC



Diamond Ventures  
DV GWA, LLC  
Washington, DC 20006

Earl:

We are pleased and excited to enter into a joint venture agreement with our firm and yours to use our FCC licenses and spectrum. The lease of the use of our approved and active licensing and 3.65 GHz spectrum with your firm and also its use in conjunction with the relationship with the South Central Alabama Broadband Commission (SCABC) can enhance both firms.

We understand that we will coordinate times to join your team and the SCABC team in the architecture and development of a fiber, wireless, aerial build strategy. Using the national licenses we have, we see a wonderful world of opportunity for SCABC specifically, private networks, and innovative solutions for public safety networks using the best of fiber, high speed internet, and wireless technologies from leading companies.

We look forward to the next steps and first meeting later this month.

Sincerely,

/S/

 CEO  
4 Tech Media LLC

**Exhibit B**  
**Project Budget**

**Budget Summaries (Upon request, we can provide line by line summaries)**

**Cost of Easements and Right of Way**

**Citibank Deck**

**Documentation of Private Investment-**

**Goldman Sachs**

**A1AL**

**Arctaris Termsheet or CL**

**Adtran Letter**

**Vertical Bridge**

**Fiber**

**Valuation for Existing Public Rights-of-Way**

(Abridged from Original BTOP Report prepared for the U.S Department of Commerce)



# **Executive Summary**

## **Purpose of the Report and Background on Rights-of-way Valuations**

With deregulation and competition in the telecommunications industry, more players need access to the public right-of-way and therefore there is more demand for such use. Having multiple service providers within the public right-of-way often requires lateral separation between providers for safety and cost reasons during construction and repair. With more players and the compounding use of underground utility space, rights-of-way access or space is becoming scarce. It is therefore appropriate and becoming common practice to charge telecommunication companies for permission and use of the public right-of-way. With deregulation and more service providers using the public right-of-way, compensation is often in the form of a fee, a lease or as a percentage of revenues from the service providers

There are several ways to provide a value for the use of public rights-of-way. One method is to assess the value of the land of the right-of-way given consideration for the length and area of the right-of-way (i.e. Across the Fence Methodology, see below). Another method involves the consideration of the degree of alienation of the area, damage to the area or enhancement to the area with the establishment of the right-of-way (i.e. Before and After Methodology.) The establishment of the right-of-way in many cases limits the use of the land and therefore consideration would be given to the cost of limiting the use. As in this case, the public right-of-way already exists; it would be difficult to assess the value of the right-of-way before it was placed, and to determine whether there was an enhancement or detriment to the land after it was established.

Occupation of the right-of-way by many entities impacts supply and demand for the right-of-way and can influence the value of the right-of-way. For example, exclusive use of the right-of-way will require the holder to pay an increased rate for use of the right-of-way.

All of these variables are considered when determining the value of the right-of-way and a detailed description of the methodology used for this report is detailed below.

## About GETWIREDALABAMA

The [REDACTED] plans to enable free, community funded Internet and intends to enhance public safety services by creating an interoperable network between public safety agencies in its member cities and counties, as well as establish the infrastructure necessary to support a broadband network

### Land Valuations and Across the Fence Assumptions

When rights-of-way are acquired or sold, the price is generally similar to the value of adjoining land on a square foot basis. If additional right-of-way space is required to accommodate telecommunication, utility or cable TV providers, the option is either to buy additional land or to purchase an easement on the property.

Across the Fence valuations simply apply the concept that the land in which the right-of-way occupies is of similar value to the land adjacent to the public right-of-way corridor, and similar to the land value of neighboring properties. For this valuation, comparable land values were assembled in the eight counties in which the network will reside. Additionally, national and local averages for land values based upon use of the land were determined.

### Corridor Factor

When contiguous land is assembled for a certain use, the accumulation of contiguous land gives the land an enhanced value over and above the sum of the values of the individual properties. A Corridor Factor accounts for the assemblage of land parcels into a contiguous right-of-way; the sum of the property value is increased by a certain factor or amount. The Corridor Factor can also be referred to as a railroad factor, synergism factor, enhancement factor and a continuity factor.

## Conclusion

Using these various methodologies, it is concluded that [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] the public rights-of-way [REDACTED] is approximately \$16.614 Million. The [REDACTED] [REDACTED] approximately \$8.416 Million. Combined, the total is approximately \$25.031 Million.

## Background Information on the Team/Company providing the Valuation

[REDACTED] is a national leader in providing business and consulting services, appraisal services, business plans, feasibilities studies, design, engineering and project

management of fiber optic networks. [REDACTED] is a privately---held, [REDACTED]---owned business; one of a handful of companies in the industry that has real---world experience in financing, owning, operating, appraising and selling fiber optic networks.

Each of [REDACTED] team members have over twenty---five years of experience in consulting services in the fiber optic industry.

[REDACTED] is the founder and CEO [REDACTED] and was the Lead Consultant that was assigned to the [REDACTED] appraisal project. [REDACTED] has (25) years of telecommunications industry experience, the last (15) years as an entrepreneur starting and managing successful telecommunication companies.

Prior to [REDACTED] [REDACTED] was the [REDACTED] a leading firm in the FTTH industry for Greenfield real estate development projects and FTTH design, engineering and construction for municipalities and rural telecommunications companies.

[REDACTED] was peer---elected and has served as [REDACTED] Fiber to the Home [REDACTED] a world---wide non---profit organization whose mission is to promote, educate and accelerate fiber optic broadband and Fiber to the Home deployments, especially in rural parts of the country. [REDACTED] is a frequent speaker at national telecommunications conferences on community broadband networks and FTTH networks and was the [REDACTED] the Broadband Properties National Summit in [REDACTED]

Additionally, [REDACTED] has provided management consulting for AT&T Broadband, Media One, [REDACTED] Level 3 Communications, and held numerous management positions with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] developed business and financial plans for several municipalities that are

deploying community broadband services and FTTH networks and wrote the [REDACTED] Telecommunications and Broadband Services Plan for [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]



# South Central Alabama Broadband Commission

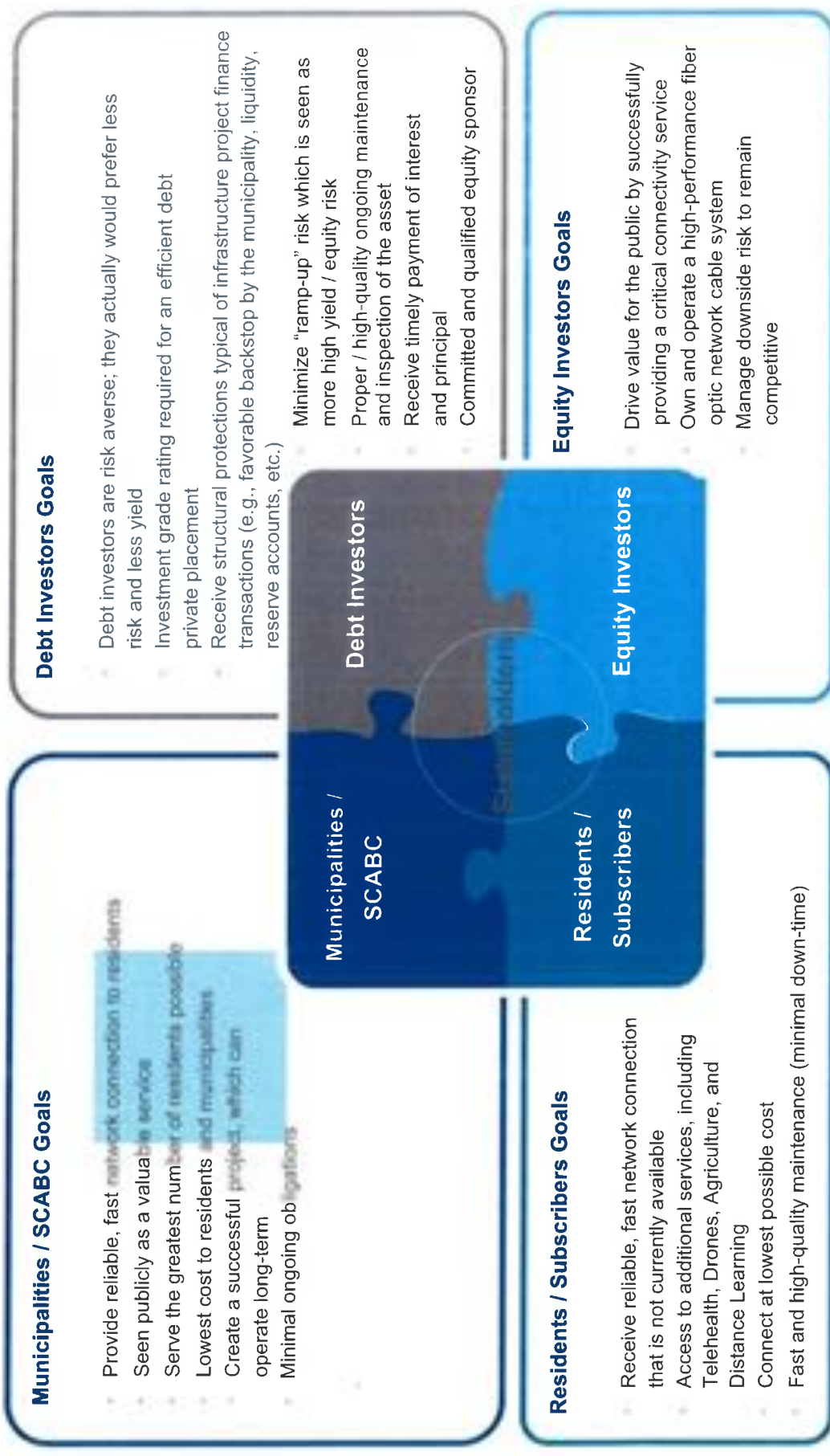
## Board Presentation



South Central Alabama Broadband Commission

# Key Parties & Goals

To achieve a successful project and optimal financing, it is important to employ a carefully balanced approach that works well with all the stakeholders





December 17, 2019

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
914 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Attn: M [REDACTED]

Re: Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund 2020 Round One Grant Application

Dear [REDACTED]

We write in support of the application by DV GWA LLC ("DV") to the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund's 2020 Round One of grants to finance DV's development of a fixed-wireless middle- and last-mile broadband network in rural Alabama (the "Project"). We are excited by the potential for the Project to bridge the digital divide for low- and moderate-income households in rural Alabama, improve public safety, close the homework gap, and spur economic activity within the targeted communities.

Established in 2001, the Urban Investment Group ("UIG") is a business unit within Goldman Sachs ("GS") and deploys Goldman Sachs's capital by making investments and loans that benefit urban communities. Through its comprehensive community development platform, UIG is a catalyst in the revitalization of underserved neighborhoods. Since its inception, UIG has committed more than \$8 billion, facilitating the creation and preservation of over 36,000 housing units - the majority of which are affordable to low, moderate and middle-income families - as well as over 2,700,000 square feet of community facility space and over 10,400,000 square feet of commercial, retail, and industrial space. In addition, UIG has financed infrastructure improvements to meet essential community needs, such as mobility, energy efficiency, and environmental resiliency. UIG's investments and financings are driven by our commitment to revitalize and rebuild the fabric of underserved neighborhoods; we believe the Project is consistent with UIG's platform.

Notwithstanding any terms in this letter to the contrary, this letter is not a binding commitment of GS to make an investment, provide financing or enter into any other transaction. Any investment, financing or other transaction with DV would be based on GS' investment and financing needs and market conditions at the time of a transaction and would be subject to internal investment committee approval and any necessary regulatory approvals. In addition, any investment or financing provided by GS would be conditioned upon completion of underwriting, due diligence, and definitive legal documentation that includes detailed terms for the transaction.

We are providing this letter with the understanding that you shall not, and you are not authorized to, disclose either its existence or any of its terms or substance except to your legal, accounting and financial advisors who are directly involved with this matter and are advised of its confidential nature and agree similarly to maintain it as confidential, except to the extent the same are disclosed by us or as otherwise required by law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, we hereby authorize you to disclose this letter to the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, solely in connection with your response to the Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund 2020 Round One Grant Application process.





aial, Inc.  
217 Country Club Park, #317  
Mountain Brook, Alabama 35213

**GLOBAL INNOVATION ACCELERATOR**

DV GWA, LLC

914 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Suite 1000

Washington, DC 20006

Effective Date: January 2, 2020

**INVESTMENT LETTER OF INTENT**

**Dear Mr. Peek,**

This investment letter of intent represents the basic terms of a Due Diligence period of 60 days to qualify an initial investment of \$25,000,000 (25MM USD) into DV GWA, LLC by A.I. FIRST ALABAMA GLOBAL INNOVATION PARTNERSHIP, LP in exchange for a preferred allocation of equity.

A subsequent investment of an additional \$25,000,000 (25MM USD) will be made available upon satisfaction of certain key performance indicators.

We are excited to express our invitation to "GET WIRED ALABAMA" to join our A.I. First Alabama Global Innovation Accelerator. We shall complete a business, financial and legal Due Diligence investigation of DV GWA, LLC's business, operations, subsidiaries and partners.

After this period a formal agreement may be constructed, pending the satisfaction of all materials.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink is written over a large black rectangular redaction box. The signature appears to be "Michael L. Peek".

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**TERM SHEET**

**Arctaris Impact Fund, LP and/or assigns (“Investor”)**

**through**

**DV GWA, LLC**

**Exclusive Concessionaire For**

**South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District**

**GetWiredAlabama©**

**Investment Amount** Up to \$50,000,000

**Statement of Intent,  
Thesis, and Scope**

Diamond Ventures Funds Management, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, by and through DV GWA, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, is a development finance firm organized to sponsor, manage, or invest in and lend to highly qualified entrepreneurs, companies, and projects many of which may be minority or women-owned businesses located in opportunity zones, new market tax credit areas, and low-moderate-income areas.

The South-Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District, which has commercially designated its functional name as the South-Central Alabama Broadband Commission (“SCABC”), is a legally authorized entity of the state of Alabama as a Cooperative District to do business in various forms of media across various broadband, digital, and telecom platforms. The SCABC is an Alabama Public Corporation. The SCABC is the only entity organized under the Alabama Cooperative District Act with a mission of bringing broadband, telecom, and digital services. Hereinafter, each entity may be designated as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties.”

The Parties seek to form a strategic investor alliance, joint-venture, and operating relationship for the mutual benefit of developing a commercially viable end-to-end broadband and wireless platform using the best available spectrum and configuration with fixed wireless, fiber to the home, towers, devices, electric line and utility assets, spectrum and certain publicly available wireless broadband spectrum and other connective solutions including above and below ground fiber that



# ARCTARIS

## IMPACT INVESTORS

Arctaris Impact Investors, LLC

1330 Boylston St., Suite 600, Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

December 30, 2019

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Diamond [REDACTED]

Arctaris has submitted a commitment letter to your firm for up to \$5.0 million for projects in select GETWRIEDALABAMA counties. As with any commitment, there are certain due diligence procedures and other protocols for the drawdown of committed capital (i.e. ascertainment of grant funding). The Alabama Broadband Accessibility Fund (ABAF) would be a great enhancement to the capital commitment and capital deployment and our drawdown procedures would permit full funding by the ABAF guidelines for deployment within two years.

Arctaris is an Impact Investment fund manager providing capital to profitable, growth-oriented businesses in underserved regions throughout the United States, with emphasis on inner cities and targeted rural communities. Launched in 2009 and headquartered in Boston, Arctaris has partnered with state government agencies and the U.S. Treasury Department to form fund programs with primary emphasis on economic development and job creation. Arctaris is a social impact firm that intends to invest more than \$500 million in low income communities over the next three years.

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Arctaris Impact Investors, LLC



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December 26, 2019

[REDACTED]

914 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE  
Ste 1000  
Washington, DC 20006

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter confirms that ADTRAN has entered into a Teaming Agreement with DV GWA LLC and plans to assist with our extensive expertise and experience in the technology and deployment execution of the rural broadband project commercially known as GETWIREDALABAMA. ADTRAN, a top 3 global provider for broadband infrastructure, solutions and services, was founded and is headquartered in Huntsville, Alabama. As an Alabama company in operations for over 35 years, ADTRAN has been enabling communities and connecting lives with broadband solutions in countries around the world.

Our company believes that broadband and connectivity is critically important all communities, urban, suburban and rural. As an Alabama-based company, we believe that we have a role in the leadership in connecting the unserved and underserved citizens of our own State in closing the digital divide. Specifically, we believe we have a vested interest in the economic health and welfare for our communities in rural and poverty-stricken areas of our State as we will work together to improve the opportunities for growth, educations, prosperity, healthcare and global competitiveness.

We understand that you may submit a copy of this letter to the State of Alabama, USDA, and FCC along with other identified sources of capital from debt providers, banks, and equity investors in connection with the application for grants.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]



July 11, 2018

**PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL**

[REDACTED]  
DV GWA, LLC  
914 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Thanks for your visit to Boca Raton a few weeks ago and our discussions on GETWIREDALABAMA. You and [REDACTED] have spoken with my Chairman, [REDACTED] and I [REDACTED] has asked me to process the deal for consideration. I have had the opportunity to review substantially all of the items you have supplied in the data room. Based on our conversations with you and [REDACTED] as well as our review of the dataroom materials we are interested in pursuing a partnership with Diamond Ventures whereby Vertical Bridge would finance the towers and fiber for [REDACTED] project.

This letter shall not be construed as a commitment, summary of terms for a commitment, or indicative terms of a definitive commitment. This letter should be construed as a firm statement of interest in the financing of the deal as you have it budgeted for \$200,000,000. I would like to plan a visit to meet the President of the Board and key leadership of the Board to examine

GETWIREDALABAMA expectations

[REDACTED] Alabama law

Probable tenants and commercial anchor institutions for the network

Related financing considerations

I encourage your clients and the GETWIREDALABAMA leadership to examine our website where they will see that we have completed over \$1.8 billion in towers, infrastructure, and related investments in the last 4 years. If the Board will receive my visit, I can plan to meet them in Alabama the week of July 16<sup>th</sup>.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
Senior Vice President  
Corporate Development

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The Parties seek to form a strategic investor alliance, joint-venture, and operating relationship for the mutual benefit of developing a commercially viable end-to-end broadband and wireless platform using the best available spectrum and configuration with fixed wireless, fiber to the home, towers, devices, electric line and utility assets, spectrum and certain publicly available wireless broadband spectrum and other connective solutions including above and below ground fiber that

**Exhibit C  
Other Priority Areas**

**HBCU Minority Broadband Initiative-Colleges and Universities**

**Extension of Existing Infrastructure**

**Selma Fiber Grid Map**

**Macon County poles, structures, bridges, etc. (supplied on request)**

**Printout of files-Macon County Infrastructure assets**

**Community and Stakeholder Support**

**Community Anchor Institutions**

**The SCABC Regional Graphic**

**Marketing Plan with governments-Supplied on request**

**Analysis of highest impact for least cost-See narratives and technology discussion**

**Plan for Community Connect and Centers and Libraries-In narratives-(Regional Impact)**



Information Technology Services  
311 Patton Building

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[REDACTED]  
DV GWA, LLC  
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Washington, DC 20003

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

STATE OF ALABAMA       \*  
                                      \*  
COUNTY OF LOWNDES     \*

**RESOLUTION OF THE SOUTH-CENTRAL ALABAMA  
BROADBAND COOPERATIVE DISTRICT**

**WHEREAS**, the South-Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District (SCABC) seeks to provide broadband, digital, and telecom services to disadvantaged and rural communities within certain cities and counties in the Black Belt and Central Alabama;

**WHEREAS**, [REDACTED] LLC ("Diamond") is a venture capital firm organized to invest in and lend to lower middle income and minority communities to facilitate viable businesses and projects;

**WHEREAS**, The Board of Directors unanimously authorized Diamond, via an exclusive termsheet and business relationship prior to this date, to arrange capital formation for SCABC for these purposes and SCABC and Diamond executed such relationship;

**WEHEREAS**, Diamond has sourced and secured financing of the broadband activities evidenced in a Memorandum of Understanding, (MoU), with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] that sets forth certain criteria for it to finance up to \$350,000,000 of the broadband, digital, and telecom network for SCABC;



**WHEREAS,** Diamond has secured strong indications of interest to provide other forms of complimentary capital and strategic alliances for SCABC from a major global technology corporation, private equity firms, and well known financiers for as much as \$30,000,000 or more to be used with [REDACTED] or a counterparty with, in conjunction with, or substitute for [REDACTED] (such as a domestic global investment bank), subject to [REDACTED] performance in the MoU and for other purposes;

**WHEREAS,** SCABC seeks an affirmative indication of definitive interest and resolution of support from its members to A) Accept and support the objectives and requirements of the MoU, B) fund certain operational needs of SCABC initially for not less than \$250,000 and not more than \$1 million and to support preparation of the network build for its financing needs to implement SCABCs vision of connecting all the Black Belt cities, counties, and communities with broadband, telehealth, telecom, digital, job creation related to these purposes and for additional technology purposes;

**LET IT BE RESOLVED,** that 1) SCABC is hereby empowered to accept and enter the [REDACTED] MoU and any like worded MoUs, Letters of Intent, Commitment Letters, and firm commitments with global corporations or nationally known entities with a net worth of or access to the capital markets or

capital resources of at least \$1 Billion; 2) [REDACTED]



The board of directors authorizes the President of Board the SCABC to hereby affix their signature to herein as evidence of their intent to proceed herein and each member municipality will execute resolutions to effect in their jurisdiction.


The board of directors of the SCABC vests in its President and Managing Director the authority to execute all documents necessary to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.



**ATTEST:**

**SOUTH CENTRAL ALABAMA  
BROADBAND COOPERATIVE  
DISTRICT**

  
David Daniels, Secretary

  
Charlie King, Jr., President

**History of CAI and Public Letters of Support  
South-Central AL  
GETWIREDALABAMA**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Office/Organization</b>	<b>Type</b>
Board of Directors	April 1, 2016	Board of Directors-SCABC	Resolutio
Dr. Damian Clark	December 11, 2019	Chief Information Officer-A	Letter
Terri A. Sewell	November 1, 2018	U.S. Congresswoman	Letter
Bobby D. Singleton	December 18, 2017	State Senator	Letter
Kelvin Lawrence	December 18, 2017	State Representative	Letter
Robert McGhee	December 18, 2017	Vice-Chair-Poarch Creek	Letter
David Fuller	December 18, 2017	Mayor-Town of Oak Hill	Letter
Louis Maxwell	December 18, 2017	Macon County Commission	Letter
Elizabeth Davis	December 18, 2017	Town of White Hall	Letter
Mark Jackson	January 18, 2018	Consul General of Japan	Letter
David Daniel	October 27, 2015	Mayor-Town of Hayneville	Letter
Johnny Ford	October 27, 2015	Mayor-City of Tuskegee	Letter
George Evans	October 26, 2015	Mayor-City of Selma	Letter
Doug Jones	September 21, 2018	US Senator	Letter



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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

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CHIEF DEPUTY WHIP



**Congress of the United States  
House of Representatives**

**TERRI A. SEWELL  
7TH DISTRICT, ALABAMA**

November 1, 2018

HOUSE PERMANENT  
SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

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2201 RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING  
WASHINGTON, DC 20515  
(202) 225-2665

Honorable Sonny Perdue  
Secretary  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
1400 Independence Ave., S.W.  
Washington, DC 20250

Secretary Perdue:

On behalf of the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Alabama, I am pleased to offer this letter extending my full support for Diamond Ventures and Small Enterprise Assistance Funds' (SEAF) request to receive funds from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Community Connect Grant Program (Funding Opportunity Number: RDRUS-CC-2018).

Broadband is very important to me and my constituents in the 7<sup>th</sup> Congressional District and to the many citizens of Alabama, particularly in underserved and poverty stricken areas like the Black Belt. Cities and Counties in the Black Belt are working with Diamond Ventures and SEAF who collectively applied to the USDA for a Community Connect Grant in May of this year.

I have been briefed by the Principals of Diamond/SEAF who have convened meetings with rural and small town Mayors, State Representatives, County Chairman, with Citibank, family offices, and equity investors to arrange funds for broadband in Alabama. These are great developments and I support these efforts to bring broadband to underserved and unserved Alabamians. I support efforts for public-private partnership in Alabama for broadband and activities that impact education, smart grids for power, agriculture, medicine, and a better quality of life for my constituents.

For these reasons, I am proud to support Diamond Ventures and Small Enterprise Assistance Funds' request to receive funds from the Community Connect Grant Program. Thank you in advance for your full and fair consideration. Please contact my office at 205.254.1690 if I, or a member of my staff, may be of further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

**TERRI A. SEWELL**  
Member of Congress

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**Bobby D. Singleton**  
State Senator 24th District  
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December 18, 2017

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Secretary  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
1401 Constitution Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20230

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With Kindest Regards, I Am  
*Bobby Singleton*

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State Senator  
District 24



**ALABAMA  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**11 S. UNION STREET, MONTGOMERY ALABAMA 36130**

**REP. KELVIN J. LAWRENCE  
DISTRICT 69  
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Kelvin J. Lawrence  
State Representative  
House District 69



# POARCH BAND OF CREEK INDIANS

5811 Jack Springs Road • Atmore, Alabama 36502  
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Robert McGhee  
Vice-Chair/Chief Government Affairs Officer  
Poarch Band of Creek Indians

*Seeking Prosperity and Self Determination*



**Town of Oak Hill  
PO Box 9  
Oak Hill, Alabama 36766**

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*David Fuller*

David Fuller  
Mayor  
Town of Oak Hill, Alabama  
PO Box 9  
Oak Hill, Alabama 36766  
251-746-2642  
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THE STATE OF ALABAMA

## ***Macon County Commission***

Macon County Courthouse, Tuskegee, Alabama 36083  
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Governing Body of Macon County

Louis Maxwell, Chairman

Commissioner Miles D. Robinson

District 1

Commissioner Edward Huffman

District 2

Commissioner Andrew D. Thompson, Jr.

District 3

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Sincerely,

Louis Maxwell, Chairman  
Macon County Commission

Elizabeth Davis  
Mayor

Bertha White  
Town Clerk

Felicia Perry  
Water Clerk

# *Town of White Hall*

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December 18, 2017

HONORABLE WILBER ROSS  
SECRETARY  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
1401 CONSTITUTION AVE. NW  
WASHINGTON, D, C, 20230

Dear Secretary Ross:

This letter is being written to support the delegation of South Central Alabama Broadband Commission Board Members visiting you today. We are in desperate need of broad band for our area. Broad band would help both educationally and economically. It will add much to the quality of life for our area.

It is well known that we are located in a poverty stricken, rural and underserved area. We stand in support of our partners who are working to bring broadband to the Black belt. We are convinced having broadband will have a great impact on our economic development, and our schools, it will help to increase the employment rate, and health care when we are able to connect to the rest of the world via the internet. We thank you in advance.

Sincerely,



ELIZABETH DAVIS,  
MAYOR  
TOWN OF WHITE HALL



**MARK JACKSON**  
**HONORARY CONSUL GENERAL OF JAPAN**



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Secretary  
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1401 Constitution Ave, NW  
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**Secretary Ross:**

Japanese firms have made a major investment into Alabama. There are over 140 first, second, and third tier Japanese based firms that employ thousands of Alabama citizens in a wide array of fields. Major car manufacturers and insurance firms have invested into the state.

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Respectfully,  




# Town of Hayneville

241 West Tuskeena Street  
P.O. Box 365  
Hayneville, Alabama 36040  
Phone (334) 548-2128  
Fax (334) 548-2129

**COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

Rocky Bell  
George Davis  
Katie Pyles  
Sheryl Phillips  
Carole Sweeney

**DAVID DANIEL, Mayor**  
**SUSIE SMITH, Town Clerk**

October 27, 2015

Mr. Charlie King, Jr., President  
South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District  
P.O. Box 336  
Hayneville, AL 36040

Re: Reaffirmation of Jurisdictional Membership in the South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District

Dear Mr. King:

The Mayor of the Town of Hayneville is pleased to re-affirm his continuant membership in the South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District and pledge to fully support the development and sustainability of the GetWiredAlabama Next Generation Broadband Network Project.

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Thank you for your diligent commitment to making this very needed resource available to the people of South Central Alabama and Black Belt.

Sincerely,

  
David L. Daniel  
Mayor

MAYOR  
JOHNNY FORD

CITY MANAGER  
JAMES HARPER

## CITY OF TUSKEGEE



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LAWRENCE F. HAYGOOD, JR.  
COUNCIL AT LARGE

COUNCIL MEMBERS  
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DISTRICT 1  
ALA WHITEHEAD  
DISTRICT 2  
GEORGETTE WHITE MOON  
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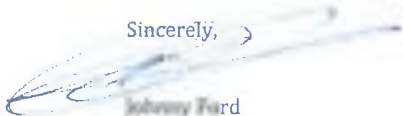
Dear Mr. King,

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Further, this letter is to affirm that the City of Tuskegee, subject to approval by the City Council intends to fully utilize the services provided by the Network. SCABC's annual telecommunication's budget is \$102,000.00.

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Sincerely, >



Johnny Ford  
Mayor

c: Lawrence Haygood, Mayor Pro-Tempore and UBT  
F. Christopher Lee, City Council and UBT  
Georgette White Moon, City Council  
Ala Whitehead, City Council and UBT  
Harold Washington, Chairman UBT  
Jacqueline Gullette, UBT  
Fred Gray, Jr., City Attorney



# City of Selma

*"New Bridges to Build"*

**GEORGE P. EVANS**  
**MAYOR**

October 26, 2015

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South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District  
P.O. Box 336  
Hayneville, AL 36040

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Sincerely,

George P. Evans  
Mayor  
City of Selma

DOUG JONES  
ALABAMA

## United States Senate

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URBAN AFFAIRS  
HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR,  
AND PENSIONS  
HOMELAND SECURITY AND  
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS  
AGING

September 21, 2018

Mr. Jonathan Corso  
Economic Development Administration  
401 W. Peachtree Street, NW  
Suite 1820  
Atlanta, GA 30308-3510

Dear Mr. Corso,

I am writing to express my support for the application submitted by the South Central Alabama Broadband Cooperative District to the U.S. Economic Development Administration for the FY 2017 Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance Program.

The funding, if awarded, will support the planning and construction of GetWiredAlabama, a next generation high speed broadband telecommunications network which will provide internet service to homes, businesses and governmental offices in 17 rural Alabama counties, known as the Black Belt. The District will leverage private and public resources to bring this bold project to fruition.

This project has great potential to improve the quality of life for residents of the Black Belt region of Alabama. I ask that you give this application your full consideration. If I can provide additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

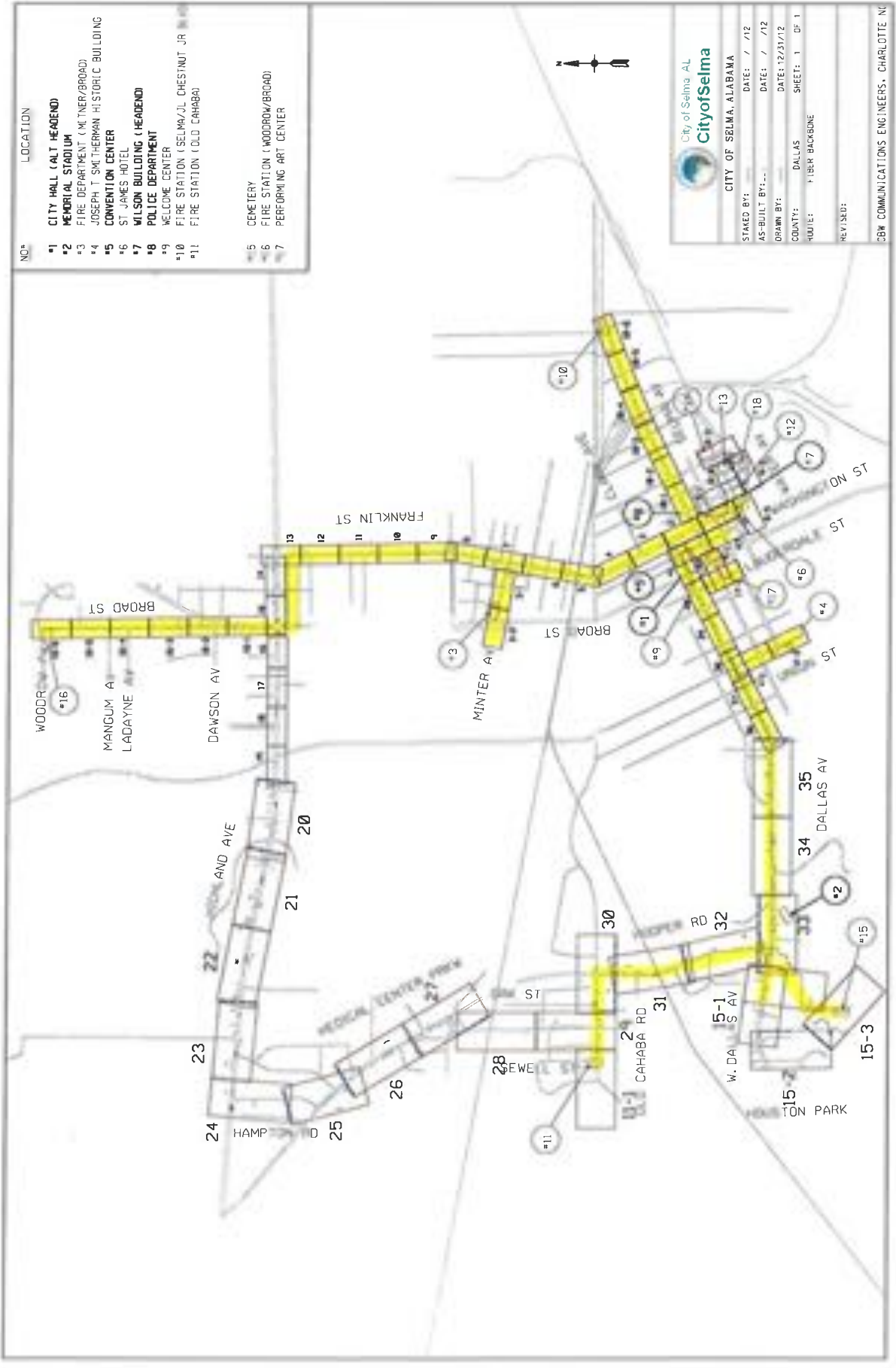
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Doug Jones  
United States Senator

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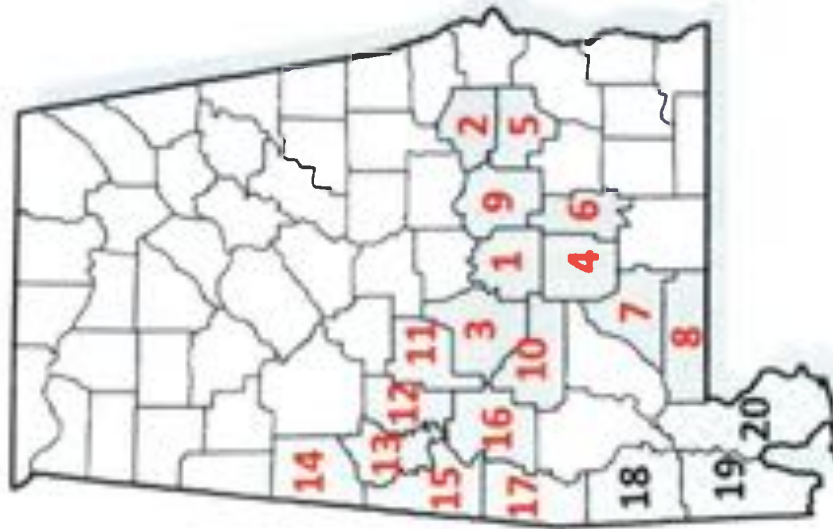
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- #8 POLICE DEPARTMENT
- #9 WELCOME CENTER
- #10 FIRE STATION (SELMA/JL CHESTNUT JR
- #11 FIRE STATION (OLD CAHABA)
- #5 CEMETERY
- #6 FIRE STATION (WOODROW/BROAD)
- #7 PERFORMING ART CENTER



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## Bridging the Digital Divide in South Central Alabama



The Partnership's Service District is comprised of 17 counties. These counties are identified below in no particular order:

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| (1) Lowndes    | (10) Wilcox  |
| (2) Macon      | (11) Perry   |
| (3) Dallas     | (12) Hale    |
| (4) Butler     | (13) Greene  |
| (5) Bullock    | (14) Pickens |
| (6) Crenshaw   | (15) Sumter  |
| (7) Conecuh    | (16) Marengo |
| (8) Escambia   | (17) Choctaw |
| (9) Montgomery |              |

Adjacent counties that will be traversed but not fully built-out are identified as follows:

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| (18) Washington |
| (19) Mobile     |
| (20) Baldwin    |