



**NORTH MISSISSIPPI
MEDICAL CENTER**
HAMILTON

To whom it may concern,

Marion Regional Medical Center, Inc., d/b/a North Mississippi Medical Center-Hamilton is a medical facility serving the community of Hamilton Alabama. One of only two hospitals in Marion County, North Mississippi Medical Center-Hamilton is a not-for-profit, acute care hospital, affiliated with one of the nation's leading health care organizations. Also, we include a 79 bed nursing home, a Home Health Joint Venture with the LHC Group, a Wellness Center, Hamilton Primary Care Center and the Outpatient Specialty Clinic.

We at North Mississippi Medical Center-Hamilton support Tombigbee Electric Cooperative's plan to bring high speed broadband internet to our rural area. We are especially excited about the opportunities this will give our hospital and our patients such as the ability for telemedicine, faster and better connectivity with our main hospital in Tupelo, MS and better overall service and support for our patients. Also, this initiative is incredibly important to help our community grow and thrive. In the world of medicine, fiber is now a necessity to give our patients the best care possible. We are proud of Tombigbee's efforts, and we will support this initiative in any way we possibly can.

In conclusion, we are writing this letter to express support for Tombigbee Electric Cooperative's broadband project, and we are anxiously looking forward to the changes this will bring to our community.

Sincerely,

William G. Buck

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Interim Administrator