

October 3, 2019

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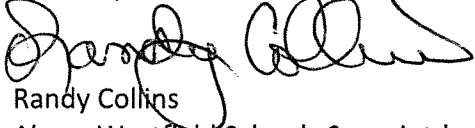
To Whom It May Concern:

As the superintendent of the Akron-Westfield School District, I am writing this letter of support on behalf of a proposed fiber optic project by Premier Communications. This is something that would provide incredible benefits to the students in our district!

If I am totally honest, the internet service that many of our students that live in the "country" have access to is less than adequate – this presents a very real problem. As a 1-1 district, we rely on technology not only when the students are in classes but also when they are home. It is not uncommon for students to come early or stay late in order to use the school's internet to complete assignments or research.

Education is deeply dependent on technology and I believe this will only increase. Having access to quality internet is something that is desperately needed for our students. On behalf of our district I ask for your support of Premier's fiber project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Randy Collins", written over a horizontal line.

Randy Collins
Akron-Westfield Schools Superintdent

October 2, 2019

State of Iowa
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% Ms. Annette Dun
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Dear Ms. Dun

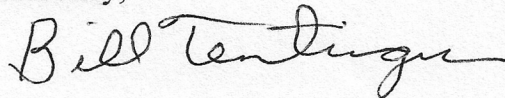
As a current member of the National Pork Board and Executive Committee Member of the Iowa Pork Producers and also a pork producer living in Plymouth County, I am writing to support Premier Communication's fiber project for rural Akron and Hawarden, Iowa.

I have the privilege of representing rural Akron and Hawarden, Iowa as a current member of the National Pork Board and Executive Committee Member of the Iowa Pork Producers. I am writing to support Premier Communication's fiber buildout project for the rural areas of Sioux and Plymouth Counties.

Northwest Iowa is not only the leading producer of pork in the state but also the nation! The economic impact in terms of dollars and employment are incredibly important to our area. Pork production has made tremendous changes over the years – what were once small facilities are now multimillion-dollar operations. Our industry has also seen dramatic changes in the use of technology. Whether it be marketing pork, updating records, monitoring facilities via camera, alarm systems or ordering feed supplies – it is all dependent on the internet.

As someone who has worked in pork production my entire life, I can attest to the need of technology and quality Internet that is needed to run a successful operation – I know my fellow pork producers would agree. I strongly ask you to support this great project.

Sincerely,



Bill Tentinger
National Pork Board Director
Executive Committee Member, Iowa Pork Producers



October 2, 2019

Office of the Chief Information Officer
% Annette Dun
Des Moines, IA 50319

Dear Ms. Dun,

We are pleased to write a letter of support for Premier Communications' proposed fiber optic project in the rural areas of Hawarden and Akron, Iowa. Having a medical clinic in the community of Hawarden, we can attest that this is something that is greatly needed and will be an enhancement to the services provided to our patients and families.

Our goal is to provide comprehensive care for all aspects of an individual's life. How we care for our patients continues to change and evolve and access to quality, reliable communication service is crucial.

As we all know, health care is changing dramatically along with how we treat and care for our patients. Many times, those in rural areas are not afforded the same health care opportunities as those in an urban setting. Sioux Center Health wants to help change this and being visionary about the current and future needs of health care and the impact this project will make for our future success in connecting with patients, clinics and specialist will be vital.

As a local health care provider in Northwest Iowa we were very excited to hear about Premier Communications proposed fiber optic project in the Hawarden and Akron, Iowa area. We are fully supportive of this project!

Sincerely,

Monica Sedelmeier, CPHQ
Chief Quality Officer



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Ms. Dunn,

I am pleased to write a letter of support for the proposed fiber project for rural Hawarden, Iowa by Premier Communications. The West Sioux School District covers many square miles, which in turn means we have a large population of rural students. Having better broadband service for our students and their families would benefit the area greatly!

As the superintendent of the West Sioux School District I see firsthand the need for better internet service in the proposed area. Being a one to one district requires that our students be able to have quality internet service – many may have to use hotspots or wireless which is not ideal. Having quality, fiber-based internet would allow our students throughout the district to experience the benefits of technology.

Education continues to change! Much of the learning and studying that is required is dependent on technology and the internet. I want the best for the students in our district and I ask for your support in this worthwhile project.

Sincerely,

Steve Grond
Superintendent

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