

365549 - Empower Rural Iowa Emergency Broadband Expansion Program (NOFA#003)

368074 - Rural Luana and Postville Fiber to the Home Expansion

NEIT Services, LLC

[Notice of Funding Availability #003](#) (Section 2.2.6.1.1.3.) requires Applicants to certify “that each of the unserved Broadband Units in the form of Homes, Businesses, and Schools located within Census Blocks forming the basis of the Project that will be Facilitated with 25/3 Broadband or 100/20 Broadband, as applicable, as a result of the Project DO NOT currently have 25/3 Broadband service available, meaning no other known Communications Services Provider currently Facilitates 25/3 Broadband or greater to the Broadband Unit.”

Accordingly, your Application identified the total number of broadband units (homes, schools, and businesses) to which new service will be available in Exhibit B (See “*Total Units*” column identified under *Total Number of HSB’s (i.e. Broadband Units) New Service Will Be Available To* as highlighted in yellow in the table below). As part of your Application you also certified that all broadband units that will be Facilitated with 25/3 Broadband or 100/20 Broadband, as applicable, as a result of your Project DO NOT currently have 25/3 Broadband service available, meaning no other known Communications Services Provider currently Facilitates 25/3 Broadband or greater to the Broadband Unit.

Project Area				Total Number of HSB's (i.e., Broadband Units) in Project Area				Total Number of HSB's (i.e., Broadband Units) New Service Will Be Available To			
Census Block #	TSA Status	County	Sq. Miles	H	S	B	Total Units	H	S	B	Total Units
##	Yes: ## No: ##	##	##	##	##	##	##	##	##	##	##

As part of its evaluation of Applications, the Office is issuing this request for clarification to confirm one of the following pieces of information: (PLEASE CHOOSE ONE)

1. PLEASE CONFIRM that ALL broadband units identified in Exhibit B of your Core Application as broadband units to which “New Service Will Be Available To” are not currently served by 25/3 Broadband service currently, meaning that no other known Communication Service Provider currently facilitates 25/3 Broadband or faster service to those broadband units

OR

2. PLEASE CONFIRM the number of broadband units in your project area that ARE UNSERVED by 25/3 Broadband service, meaning that no other known Communication Service Provider currently facilitates 25/3 Broadband or faster service to those broadband units

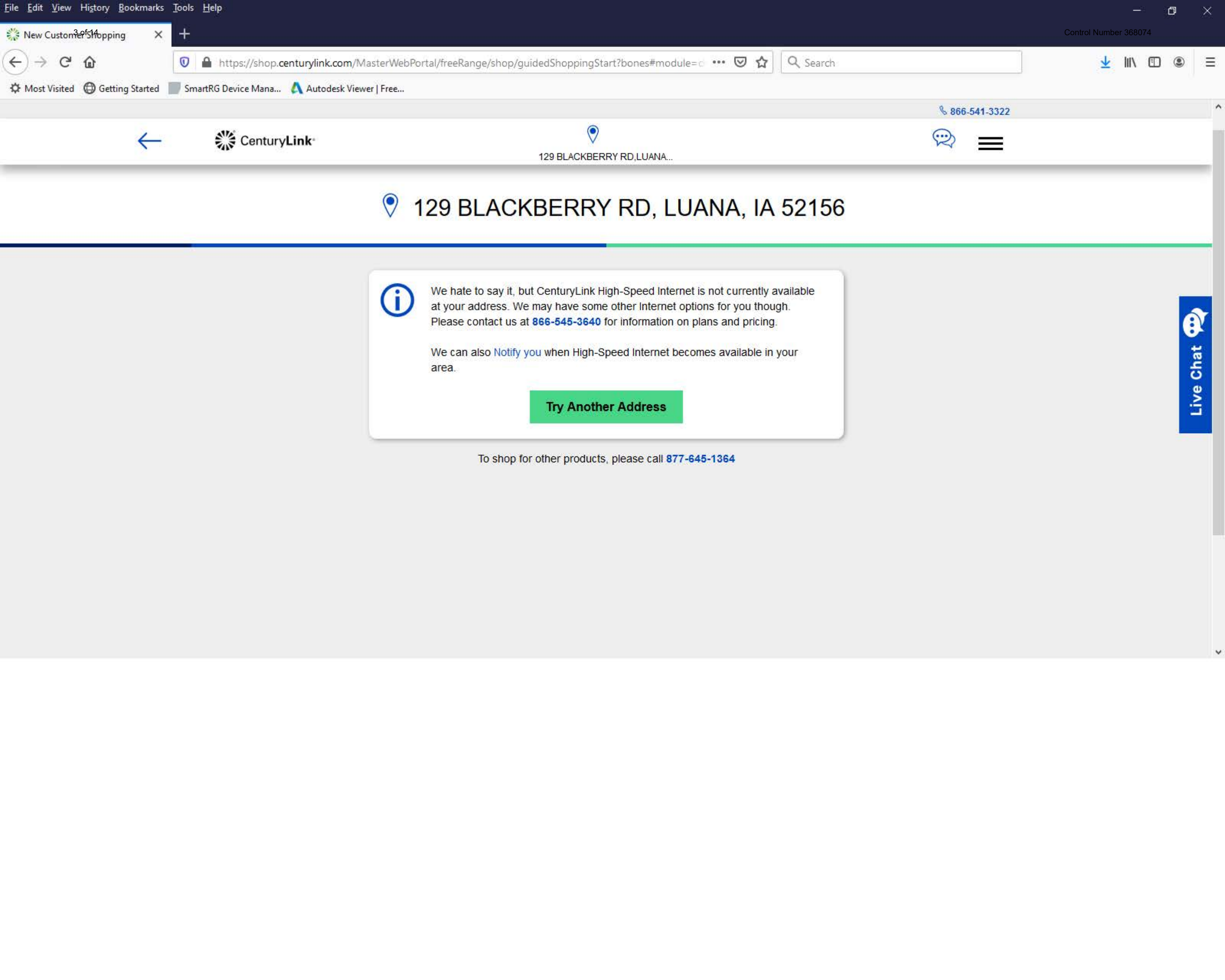
You are asked to confirm this information by responding to this e-mail and identifying the total number of broadband units in your project that ARE CURRENTLY UNSERVED by 25/3 Broadband Service, meaning that no other known Communication Service Provider currently Facilitates 25/3 Broadband or faster service by responding to this e-mail and identifying the total number of broadband units that meet this criteria.

NEIT Services, LLC Response to OCIO Request:

To the best of our knowledge **ALL 53** broadband units identified in Exhibit B of our Core Application as broadband units to which "New Service Will Be Available To" are not currently served by 25/3 Broadband service, meaning that no other known Communication Service Provider currently facilitates 25/3 Broadband or faster service to those broadband units

To support this claim, we provide the following support information:

1. Utilizing the June 2019 Public FCC 477 Report the company confirmed that no service providers in the application area are identified as providing service at the minimum service standard of 25/3
2. Utilizing the June 2019 Public FCC 477 Report service provider list, NEIT staff researched the applicable websites of these service providers.
 1. The staff at NEIT populated addresses in the CenturyLink, Inc. website for each of the applicant census blocks and consistently these addresses resulted in a message as not having high speed internet availability. Provided for your review is a sampling of the information found during this validation.
 2. NEIT Services, LLC was the only other provider identified in the FCC 477 information, currently offering a fixed wireless solution that is below the 25/3 meg standard. NEIT Services is proposing a fiber-based solution capable of internet speeds greater than 100 meg as part of their grant application.
3. Additionally the staff at NEIT has identified a recent new service provider utilizing fixed wireless technology in the application area not identified in the public 477 data. Based on research of the website of AC Skyways Broadband <http://www.acskyways.com/wireless-broadband> it identifies their highest internet speed offering at 20 meg. A copy of their service offerings from the website is included for your review.



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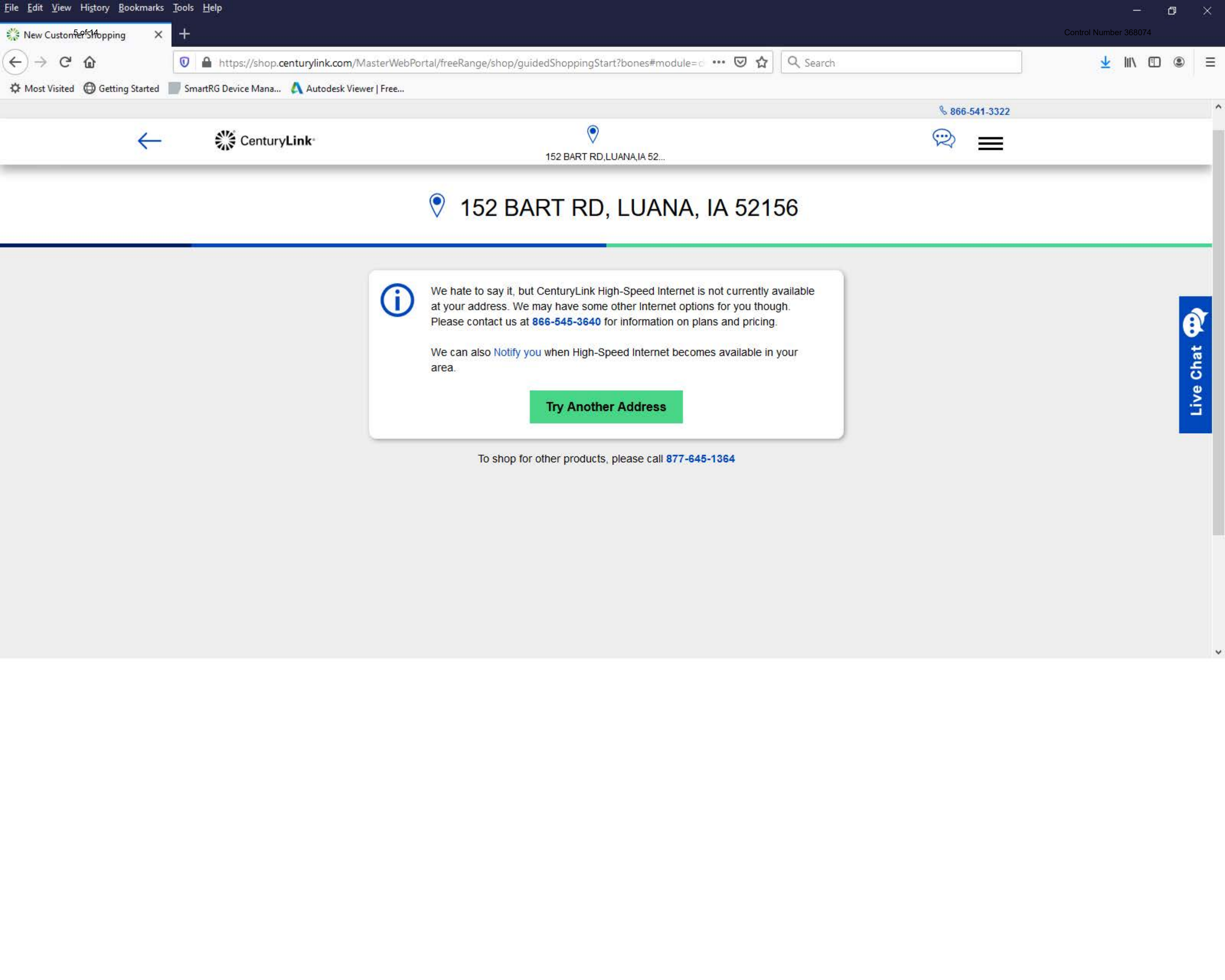
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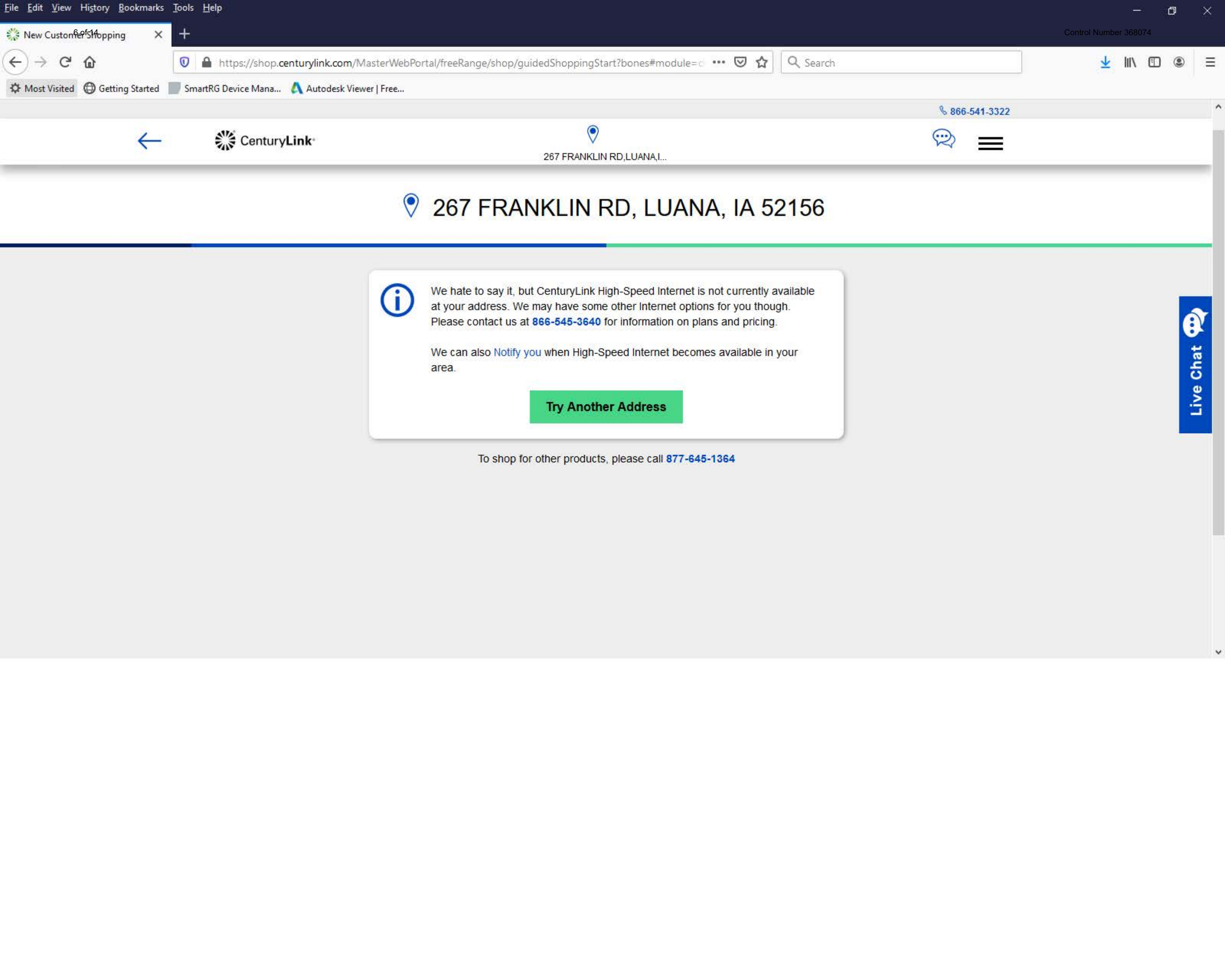
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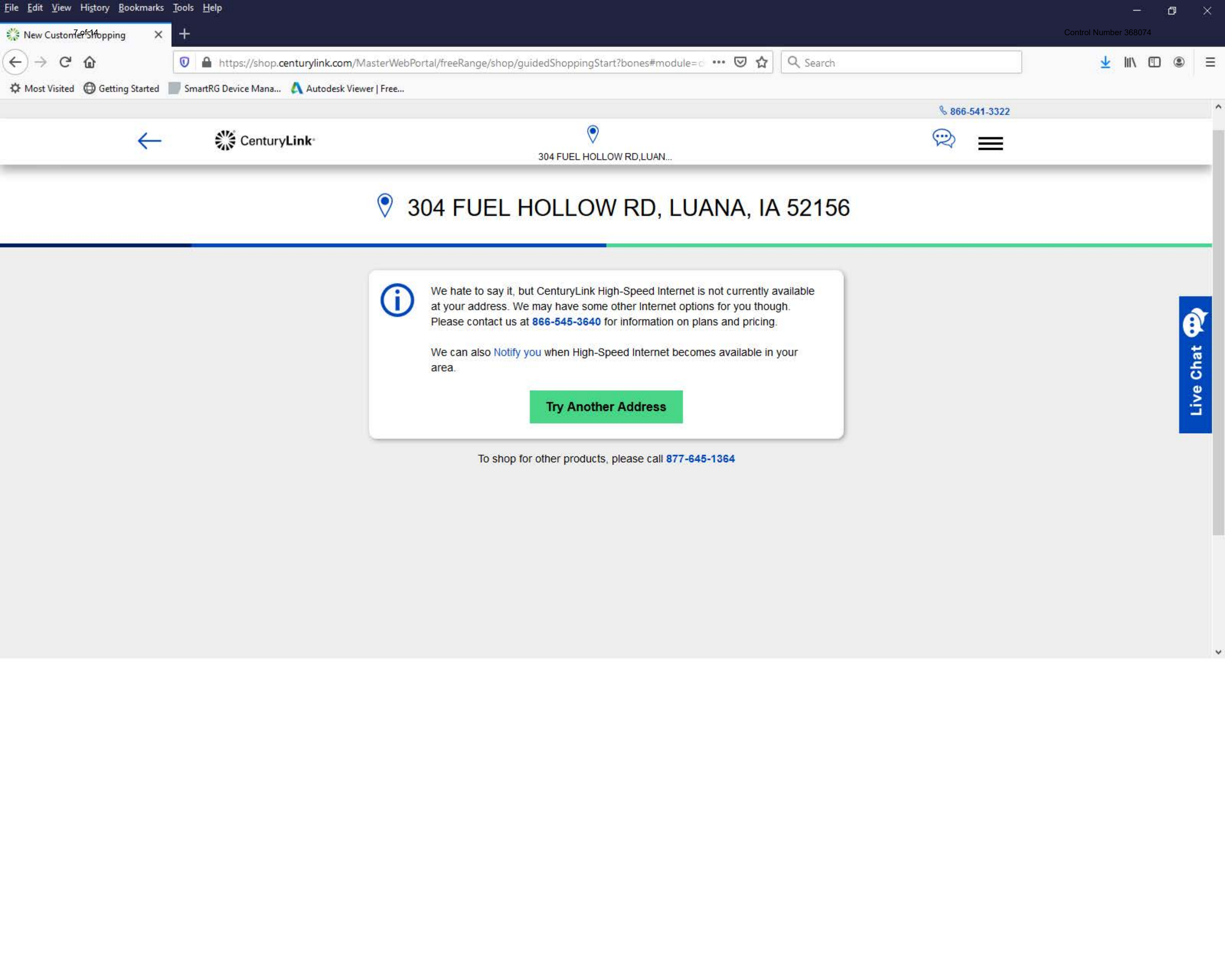
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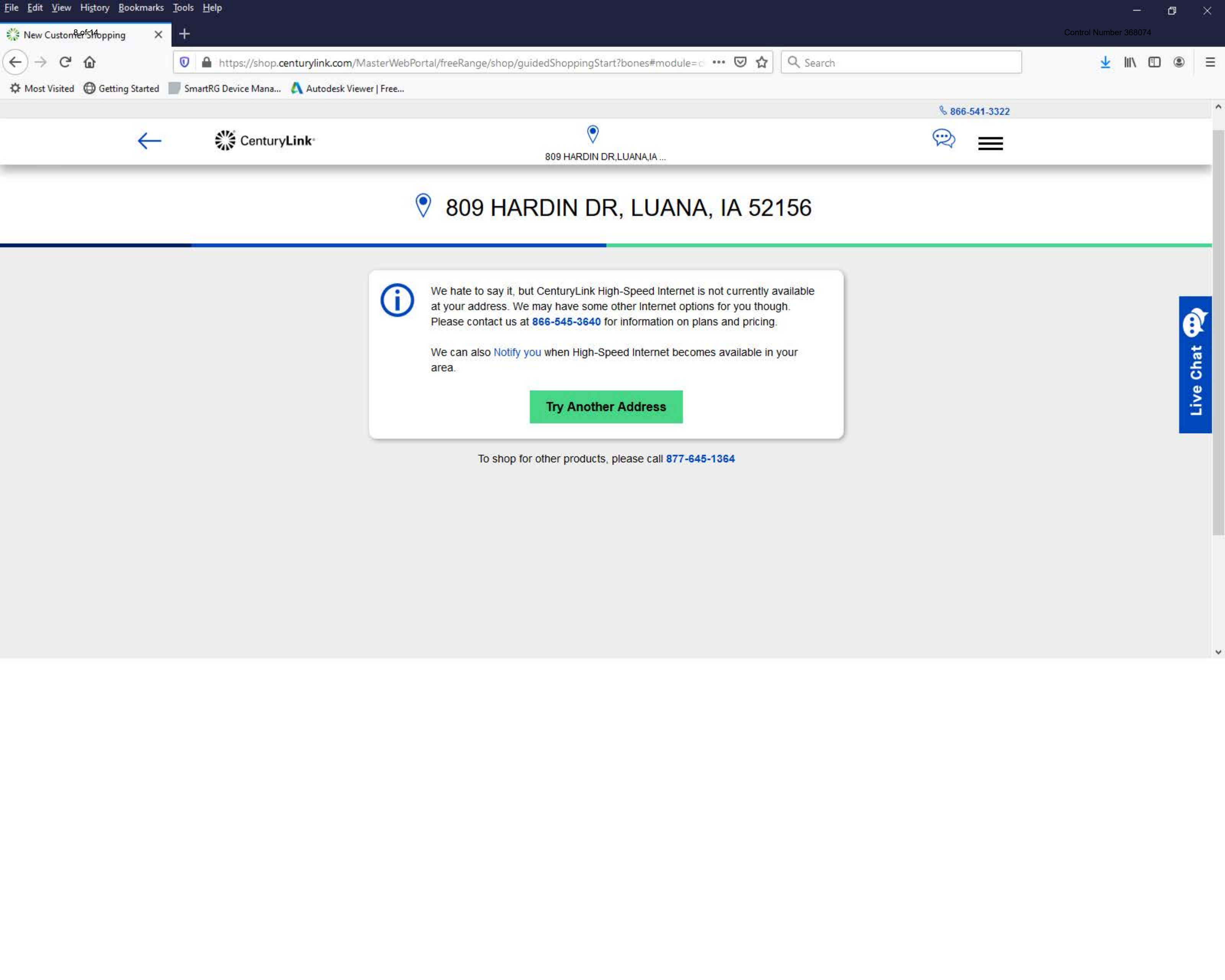
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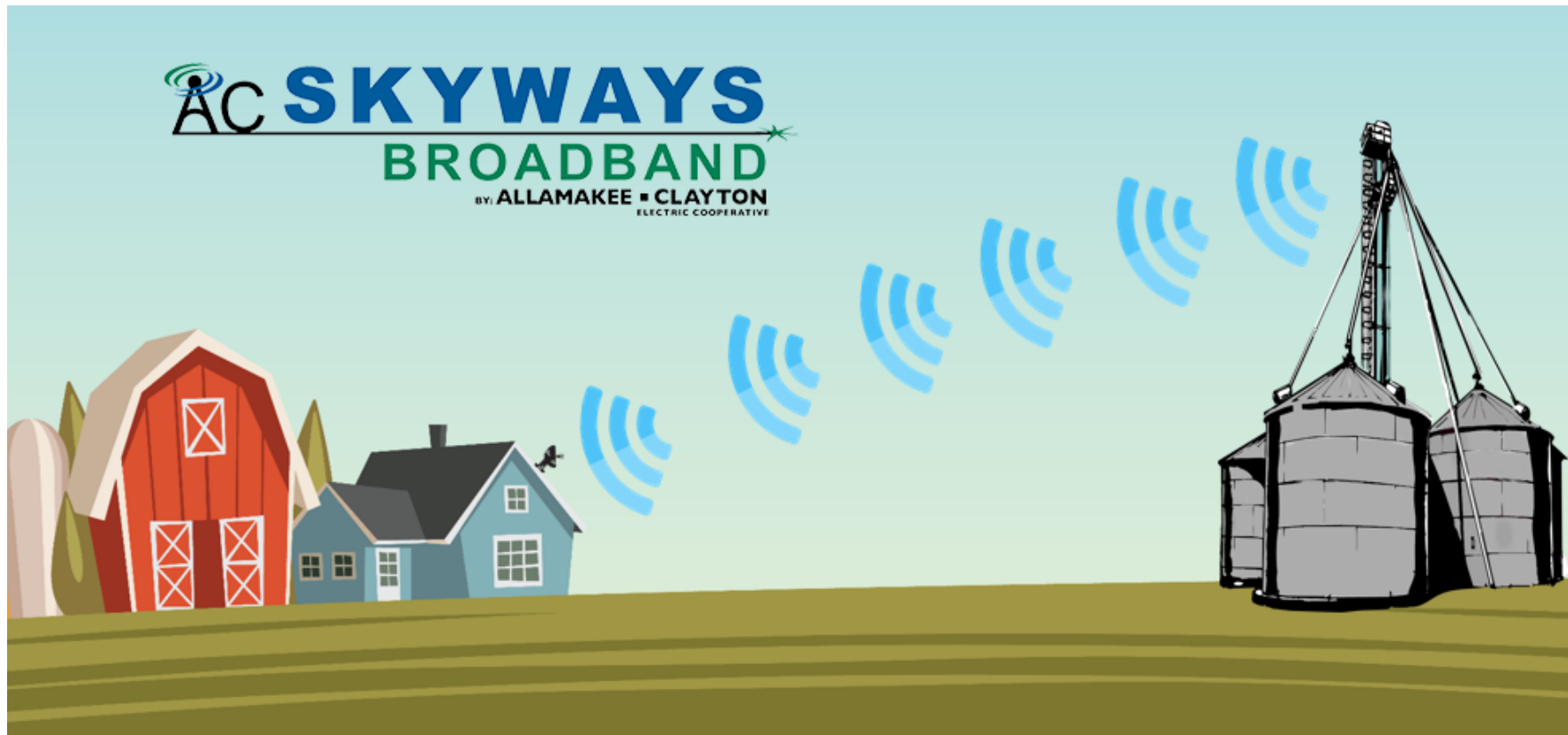
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How does wireless broadband work? The Cooperative delivers broadband service using a combination of fiber optic lines and fixed wireless technology. This can be described as a “fiber to the section, wireless to the home” business model. The fiber connection is established on high elevation structures and the wireless signal is transmitted from that point to where it can be picked up by a small antenna located at the residence or business.

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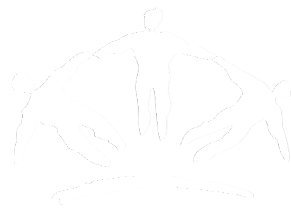
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