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Office of the Chief Information Officer  
200 E. Grand Ave.  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

To Whom It May Concern:

As the lead economic development organization serving Grundy and Butler Counties, we are acutely aware of the need for adequate internet service. The recent pandemic has brought a new awareness to this matter as well. Whether we are working to attract a new employer, business, or even a family that is considering relocating into our counties, access to high speed reliable internet has become one of the top considerations. The ability to work remotely has brought new opportunities to rural Iowa for attracting working adults as never before.

Dumont Telephone Company is by far, one of the most community minded, visionary utility providers in our counties. They have already invested millions of dollars in fiber to serve their customers, and we are excited that they want to continue to expand their fiber service into the Kesley area.

We sincerely hope you will give positive consideration to their grant application, so that they make this project a reality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeff Kolb".

Jeff Kolb  
Executive Director