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State/Province

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Ext.

Program Area of Interest*

Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

Fax:**Agency****Organization Information****Organization Name:***

Harmony Telephone Company

Organization Type:*

For-Profit – Privately Held

DUNS:

00-978-0826

Organization Website:

www.harmonytel.com

Address:

35 First Ave NE

PO Box 308

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Benefactor**Vendor Number**

Cover Sheet-General Information**Authorized Official**

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Business Organization - NOFA #006

Please list the business legal name as it is used by federal and state taxing agencies, banks, and for other legal purposes.

Business Legal Name* Harmony Telephone Company

Doing Business As:

Physical Address

Street * 35 First Avenue NE
City* Harmony
State* MN
Zip* 55939

Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)

Street or PO Box * P.O. Box 308
City* Harmony
State* MN
Zip Code* 55939

Applicant Business Structure

Is the Applicant a Communications Service Provider as defined by Iowa Code chapter 8B, including but not limited to private sector carriers, local governments, utilities, and other entities that provide or intend to provide Broadband service.

Communication Service Provider* Yes

Identification of whether the Applicant is a subsidiary of one or more parent companies.

Are you a subsidiary of one or more parent companies?* Yes

For Applicants who are a subsidiary, an uploaded document describing the relationship between a parent and subsidiary is required.

Public Redacted Broadband Additional Information [415136 - HTC - Business Structure.pdf](#)

Executive Project Summary NOFA #006

The section requires Applicant to affirm whether or not state funds are necessary for the Project to proceed.

Are state funds necessary for the project to proceed?* Yes

This section requires an Applicant to describe how the Project will or will not proceed if State funds requested are not ultimately awarded.

Describe how the Project will or will not proceed if state funds requested are not ultimately awarded.* The Empower Rural Iowa funds provide the financial support to extend high speed broadband to residents in the City of Chester. The financial feasibility of this project without grant funding will significantly prolong the timeline at the detriment of the residents in this unserved region.

Has construction on the project begun? No

Project Status

Project Milestone	Estimated Completion date	Costs Incurred
Staking	11/24/2022	\$18,047.00
Permits	01/28/2023	\$2,500.00
OSP Bidding and Contracts	01/28/2023	\$5,000.00
Distribution Fiber Construction	06/10/2023	\$267,288.00
Drop Construction	07/01/2023	\$93,624.00
OLT Equipment Installation	07/01/2023	\$103,232.00
Install CPE and Cutover	07/01/2023	\$30,800.00
Turn-up and Testing	07/01/2023	\$10,000.00
Closeout	07/01/2024	\$5,000.00

Demonstrated Experience NOFA #006

This section requires information about Applicant's demonstrated experience in provisioning Broadband across the State of Iowa. Applicant shall include relevant information about their experience that has prepared them to deploy their Project, such as, for example, community partnerships and services; history of organization; number of years in business; number of years of experience providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #006; if the Applicant is a relatively new provider/market entrant, an explanation of the benefits, if any, of being a newer provider/market entrant; the level of technical experience in providing the types of services sought by this NOFA #006.

Demonstrated Experience* [415136 - HTC - Demonstrated Experience 1.pdf](#)

References

Name	Beer Farms LLC, Rodney Beer
Telephone Number	563-203-0822
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Name	Ristau Farm Service, Wayne Ristau

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Telephone Number

507-765-3873

Community Support Letter

Community Support Letter

[415136 - HTC - Community Support Letters.pdf](#)**Minority Impact Statement**Does the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **positive impact** on minority persons? *

Yes

Describe the positive impact expected from this project.

Those listed as minority persons, who have not had the ability to subscribe to high speed broadband service will now have the option to do so.

Detail the rationale for the existence of the proposed program or policy.

Harmony Telephone Company will ensure that households and businesses are capable of performing multiple tasks for remote work, telehealth, and distance learning.

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.

Women, Persons with a Disability, African Americans, Latinos, Asians or Pacific Islanders, American Indians

Could the proposed grant program or policy have a disproportionate or unique **negative impact** on minority persons? *

No

I hereby certify the information above is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

Yes

*	Chief Operating Officer	Jill	Huffman
	Title	First Name	Last Name

Broadband Grants Core Application - Exhibits B, C, D, and D.1*Applicant requests that the contents of their application remain confidential in whole or in part, pursuant to Section 2.2.6.6. and 7.18 of the NOFA #006.***DISCLAIMER:** An applicant requesting confidential treatment of portions of an application must attach a redacted public copy of the application. If the applicant fails to attach a redacted public copy pursuant to Section 7.18.1 of the NOFA #006, the Office shall be relieved from any responsibility for maintaining the confidentiality of the application pursuant to 7.18.4 of the NOFA #006.*NOTE: Applicants are ONLY required to submit a Public Redacted Copy IF they are requesting confidential treatment with respect to an aspect of their Application. Further, the mere fact that an Applicant submits a Public Redacted Copy (or otherwise requests confidential treatment) does not ensure the aspects of the Application that are redacted (or for which confidential treatment is otherwise sought) will be treated as confidential; the Office will only afford confidential treatment to the extent requests comply with the terms, conditions, and requirements of the NOFA #006, and solely to the extent permitted by Iowa Code Chapter 22 and the Office's corresponding fair information practices rules available at 129 IAC 2.*Full Unredacted Copy* [415136 - HTC - Core Application.xlsm](#)

Public Redacted Copy

*Optional Upload: A letter from a professional engineer certifying that the proposed Project design will be capable of simultaneously Facilitating 100/100 Broadband or 100/20 Broadband, as applicable, to the Total Broadband Units Facilitated as represented in Applicant's proposed Project.*Professional Engineer Project Certification Letter [415136 - HTC - PE Chester FTTP.pdf](#)**Broadband Grants Program Grant Agreement - Exhibit E**

Have you read and do you accept the terms and conditions set forth in the grant agreement (Exhibit E)?*

Yes

Certification, Authorization, and Release of Information - Exhibit F

Certification Letter (Public)*

[415136 - HTC - Exhibit F.pdf](#)**Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G**

Form 22 (Public)*

[415136 - HTC Exhibit G.pdf](#)**Project Budget**

Category	Description	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D)	Total Estimated Cost \$ (Exhibit D1)	Total Estimated Project Budget (D+D1)	Requested Grant Support %(enter percentage here)	Grant Request (Est. Cost * Request %)
Conduit	Conduit Material Cost	\$3,561.00	\$0.00	\$3,561.00	35.0	\$1,246.35
Fiber/Copper	Cable Material Cost	\$11,958.00	\$0.00	\$11,958.00	35.0	\$4,185.30
OSP Engineering	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Design Engineering	Engineering	\$25,547.00	\$0.00	\$25,547.00	35.0	\$8,941.45
Construction Mgmt.	Management	\$25,546.00	\$0.00	\$25,546.00	35.0	\$8,941.10
Tower	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Antenna	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Boring	Boring	\$45,000.00	\$0.00	\$45,000.00	35.0	\$15,750.00
Trenching	Trenching	\$5,098.00	\$0.00	\$5,098.00	35.0	\$1,784.30
Knifing	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Switching Equipment	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Routing Equipment	n/a	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	\$0.00
Optical Equipment	Calix Shelf, Cabinet, & Power Equipment	\$103,232.00	\$0.00	\$103,232.00	35.0	\$36,131.20
Customer Premise Equipment	ONT's, Drops, NIDs, Cutover, Customer Equipment	\$124,424.00	\$0.00	\$124,424.00	35.0	\$43,548.40
Other	Splicing, Peds, Grounding, Rock Excavating	\$191,125.00	\$0.00	\$191,125.00	35.0	\$66,893.75
Totals		\$535,491.00	\$0.00	\$535,491.00		\$187,421.85

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