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409811 - Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa - NOFA #006 - Final Application

417061 - Rural Postville 1 Gbps And Beyond Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) Expansion (Secondary) Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

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Program Area of Interest*: Broadband Grant Program - Empower Rural Iowa

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Agency: Office of The Chief Information Officer

Organization Information

Organization Name*: Northeast Iowa Telephone Company

Organization Type*: Private

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Cover Sheet-General Information**Authorized Official**

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Title* Secretary/COO
Organization* NEIT Services
If you are an individual, please provide your First and Last Name.
Address* 800 Main Street

City/State/Zip* Monona Iowa 52159
City State Zip
Telephone Number* 563-539-2122
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Name* David Byers
Title
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City/State/Zip Iowa
City State Zip
Telephone Number
E-Mail
County(ies) Participating, Involved, or Affected by this Proposal* Allamakee County, Clayton County, Fayette County
Congressional District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal* 1st - Rep. Ashley Hinson
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Iowa Senate District(s) Involved or Affected by this Proposal* 28
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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* NEIT Services
Doing Business As: NEIT Services

Physical Address

Street * 800 Main Street
City* Monona
State* IA
Zip* 52159

Mailing Address (used for warrants and/or payments)

Street or PO Box * 800 Main Street
City* Monona
State* IA
Zip Code* 52159

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 [NEIT Corporate 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.*

NEIT is planning to leverage its existing network to extend FTTH to the proposed build area. Without funding from the Empower Rural Iowa NOFA #006 grant opportunity, it is not economically feasible for the Company to make 1G FTTH Broadband available to the underserved rural locations included in the proposed project. No expansion will occur without the requested financial support."

Has construction on the project begun?* No

Project Status

| Project Milestone | Estimated Completion date | Costs Incurred |
|--|---------------------------|----------------|
| Completion deadline and total project cost | 12/31/2023 | \$1,205,995.58 |

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* [Demonstrated Experience - App 2.pdf](#)

References

| | |
|------------------|--|
| Name | Nicholas Snitker |
| Telephone Number | 563-419-7165 |
| Name | Valerie O. Reinke - Allamakee ED |
| Telephone Number | 563-568-2624 |
| Name | Tim Dugger - Postville School District |
| Telephone Number | 563-864-7257 |

Community Support Letter

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.

The proposed FTTH Project will positively impact minority persons by enhancing broadband speeds in unserved areas of Allamakee and Clayton County.

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

Access to enhanced broadband speeds provides access to a greater level of employment and education opportunities.

Indicate the group(s) positively impacted.

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

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

| | | | |
|---|---------------|------------|-----------|
| * | Secretary/COO | David | Byers |
| | 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 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* [NEIT Services Broadband Grant Secondary 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 [Engineering Certification Letter NEIT NOFA 006.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)* [exhibit_f_-_certification_letter_nofa_006 - executed.pdf](#)

Request for Confidentiality or Form 22 - Exhibit G

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 | USED MAINLY IN BORES | \$20,030.00 | \$0.00 | \$20,030.00 | 50.04 | \$10,023.01 |
| Fiber/Copper | FIBER ONLY USED ON THIS PROJECT | \$100,826.88 | \$0.00 | \$100,826.88 | 50.04 | \$50,453.77 |
| OSP Engineering | STAKING, PERMITS, CONTRACTS | \$146,361.60 | \$0.00 | \$146,361.60 | 50.04 | \$73,239.34 |
| Design Engineering | DESIGN FIBER ROUTES | \$3,870.00 | \$0.00 | \$3,870.00 | 50.04 | \$1,936.55 |
| Construction Mgmt. | INSPECTION AND MAPPING OF AS-BUILT PRODUCT | \$44,137.73 | \$0.00 | \$44,137.73 | 50.04 | \$22,086.52 |
| Tower | NA | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Antenna | NA | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Boring | | \$273,609.80 | \$0.00 | \$273,609.80 | 50.04 | \$136,914.34 |
| Trenching | NA | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Knifing | VIBRATORY PLOWING OF FIBER | \$323,688.38 | \$0.00 | \$323,688.38 | 50.04 | \$161,973.67 |
| Switching Equipment | ELECTRONICS | \$37,400.00 | \$0.00 | \$37,400.00 | 50.04 | \$18,714.96 |
| Routing Equipment | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Optical Equipment | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Customer Premise Equipment | | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Other | PEDS, TUNNEL MILLS, GROUND RODS, SPLICNG, MISC | \$256,071.19 | \$0.00 | \$256,071.19 | 50.04 | \$128,138.02 |
| Totals | | \$1,205,995.58 | \$0.00 | \$1,205,995.58 | | \$603,480.18 |

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