

Demonstrated Experience

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

Incorporated in 1957, Modern Cooperative Telephone Company (MCTC) provides telephone and Internet service to approximately 720 residential and business customers in five rural Iowa exchanges including Keswick, Kinross, Millersburg, South English, and Webster. MCTC is in the third year of a large FTTH construction project, replacing our aging copper plant. As a cooperative, MCTC prides itself in providing superior customer service to our members including delivering access to the best telecommunications technology available.

MCTC's key personnel provide a tremendous level of experience to the proposed West Parnell FTTP Project. Bios for Manager/CFO Brenda Bowman and Board President Jerry Husband are included in support of the proposed project. Their combined experience ensures the success of the proposed West Parnell FTTP Project. The Board of Directors plays an active role in MCTC's operations and includes a President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer as well as 5 board members and 1 at-large member.

MCTC is a financially viable organization with the capability to meet all financial requirements outlined in this project. MCTC has a history of continued business success and meeting financial obligations within the communities they serve.

Brenda Bowman, Manager/CFO

Brenda Bowman joined Modern Cooperative Telephone Company in March of 1995 as Office Manager/Bookkeeper. Mrs. Bowman has many years of experience in payroll service, office administration, general accounting, financial reporting, human service and insurance filings, regulatory filings, quality control, customer service and marketing. Mrs. Bowman holds a degree in Business Administration, Marketing, and Accounting from Indian Hills Community College. Mrs. Bowman previously worked for Stapp's Drug Store, Montezuma Manufacturing, and Tri-County High School prior to her employment with MCTC.

Mrs. Bowman and her husband, Rex, live on their family farm in rural Keswick. They have three adult children and one grandson. Mrs. Bowman is a member of the United Methodist Church in Keswick. In addition to her management role at MCTC, she currently does the bookkeeping for her two sons' trucking companies as well as helping on the family farm.

Jerry Husband, MCTC Board President

Jerry Husband has served on the Modern Cooperative Telephone Company Board of Directors since 1993. Mr. Husband has been Board President since September of 2009. Mr. Husband is very active with the direction of MCTC. He has been a guest speaker for the Iowa Communications Alliance Annual Meeting and Expo.