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To Nebraska Public Service Commission Broadband Department

Our county has been approached by Vistabeam to write a letter of support for their broadband efforts in our area.

Vistabeam has a 20-year history of delivering broadband service in Western Nebraska, Eastern Wyoming, and Northern Colorado. Throughout that time, they have been active in our area and participated in efforts to foster economic development, expand broadband into areas where it was not available, and provide affordable pricing for our businesses and residents.

Although Vistabeam has traditionally only offered wireless broadband service, their transition to fiber and hybrid fiber and wireless systems is welcomed. This will provide speeds up to 10 Gig to businesses and 1 Gig to residential locations while maintaining affordable prices. This grant will support their efforts to expand and improve service in our area.

Vistabeam has a track record of delivering excellent results on subsidized projects and meeting the goals of these programs.

We look forward to working with Vistabeam now and in the future on building a better broadband environment for our county.

Thank you for your consideration,