

# City of Sargent



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September 10, 2021

Nebraska Public Service Commission  
Attn: Cullen Robbins, Director, Telecommunications/NUSF  
1200 N St # 300  
Lincoln, NE 68508

Re: Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Support-NCTC

Dear Mr. Robbins,

Our community is pleased to extend support to Nebraska Central Telephone Company (NCTC) and its application for funding from the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program.

NCTC has a long history of providing quality services in Sargent and have upgraded the broadband speeds available in the rural areas. This grant would allow them to bring the same high-speed internet within City of Sargent limits. The COVID-19 pandemic has demonstrated the need for high-speed broadband to allow our residents the ability to work from home, participate in online learning, and access healthcare via telehealth.

NCTC provided us a sample Digital Inclusion Plan and we believe it will positively impact broadband adoption and digital literacy in our community.

We are excited about the opportunity to have quality, high-speed broadband available to our citizens and fully support NCTC's grant application to bring fiber-to-the-home to our community. If awarded, we would help ensure that they have all the necessary support from the City of Sargent to complete this project quickly and efficiently.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Micheal L. Kozeal".

Micheal L Kozeal  
Mayor of the City of Sargent

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