<u>Attachment D – Noncontiguous Explanation</u>

Charter's Mead & Yutan project is "noncontiguous." By connecting to our existing network in Fremont, Charter is able to serve both the Village of Mead and the City of Yutan at an extremely low subsidy amount. Although they are not contiguous, serving both the Village and the City in a single project allows Charter to construct a single middle-mile pathway to the City of Fremont and one middle-mile pathway between the two Villages, as opposed to two middle-mile pathways to connect to our existing network in Fremont if we were to separate the two Villages into different projects. By lowering the total miles of required middle-mile to connect to our existing Network, our Mead & Yutan project will serve the greatest number of Nebraskans with the lowest possible subsidy request.