



ATTACHMENT LETTER D – NONCONTIGUOUS AREAS

ALLO's Fremont West project will provide Gigabit fiber broadband service to three housing developments near Fremont, Nebraska. The three project areas are noncontiguous but bear a strong natural connection to one another and should be properly considered as a single project. The following points support the claim that these areas are naturally connected:

- The areas are in close geographic proximity to one another;
- The areas are within the same school district (Fremont Public Schools);
- The areas are located within the same exchange (Fremont);
- The areas will all be supported by ALLO's existing infrastructure and workforce in Fremont.

ALLO has constructed a ubiquitous Fiber to the Premises (FTTP) network and provides broadband, TV, and voice service to many households and businesses in Fremont. By leveraging its existing infrastructure in Fremont, ALLO will be able to spread out fixed costs among the three project areas. Submitting the noncontiguous areas as a single project instead of as three separate projects enables ALLO to avoid duplicating fixed costs and reduce its overall Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program (NBBP) grant request.

Furthermore, the noncontiguous nature of the project enables ALLO to avoid seeking NBBP grant support in areas it believes are already served by broadband at speeds of at least 100/20. While many of these areas suffer from poor quality of service, ALLO respects the Commission's program guidelines and has taken steps to avoid submitting NPPB applications for these areas.

ALLO respectfully requests that the Commission approve ALLO's Fremont West NBBP grant application.