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WINSTREAM NEBRASKA, INC.

NUSF-99 PRICE CAP APPLICATION – Raymond EXCHANGE RLO4

Checklist Item No. 1:

A description of the proposed broadband project including download/upload speed capabilities which can be provided and a description of the proposed network infrastructure to be deployed. Minimum speed standards should be 4 mbps download and 1 mbps upload.

Windstream's Response:

Windstream submits the following project for the Commission's consideration of NUSF-99 broadband funding, to be constructed upon funding approval, using funding available from the 2018 funding allocation.

- Fixed Wireless to serve the Western area of the Raymond, NE ILEC Exchange (Partial funding requested)

The Central Office for Raymond is currently connected with interoffice fiber facilities. Customers within reach of the office are qualified for 4Mbps down / 1Mbps upload broadband or better (up to 100Mbps), depending on the copper loop length from the equipment. This project intends to address those customers in the Western area of the exchange that have exceptionally long loop lengths and therefore have no broadband or limited broadband availability (less than 25Mbps) by providing a Fixed Wireless solution.

- The project will place one remote Base Station located approximately 7.6 miles west of the Central Office.
- The Raymond remote Base Station will provide the broadband connection to the customers, and have wireless backhaul to the Raymond Central Office.

These network upgrades will enable a network capable of minimum speeds of 10Mbps download and 1Mbps upload for all impacted customers and depending upon the distance from the remote Base Station, the majority of customers will have speeds of 25Mbps and up to 100Mbps available.

Windstream projects the total deployment costs for this project is \$145,465, and Windstream is requesting Nebraska Universal Service Funding of \$88,973, the difference between the total project costs and the requested funding is because Windstream is not seeking funding for the areas funded by the FCC's Connect America Fund Phase 2 program. Windstream is requesting that the funding for this project be applied against the remaining 2018 funds allotted to Windstream.



Attached Checklist Item #6 provides a listing of the retail pricing for the broadband services Windstream will be offering in the proposed service areas. This price list is consistent with Windstream pricing for similar services in other Nebraska exchanges.

Checklist Item No. 7:

The company's commitment to offer broadband services to all households within the service area of the project for a minimum of five (5) years.

Windstream Response:

If approved for funding, Windstream commits to offer broadband service to all households within the service area of the project for a minimum of five (5) years.

Checklist Item No. 8:

An affidavit from the company attesting 1) (a) that the area of the proposed project is a CAF II eligible area and have not refused CAF II funding, or (b) that the area of the proposed project is ineligible for CAF II funding. 2) That the company has done its due diligence to verify that comparable broadband does not already exist in the area of the proposed project. 3) The truth and accuracy of all information included in the project filing.

Windstream Response:

The Affidavit of Brad Brannon is provided in Attached Checklist Item #8.

CHECK LIST #2 CENSUS BLOCKS - RL04

Criteria for Determining NUSF Eligibility for Census Blocks in Priority Order for Projects Using Fixed Wireless Technology:

- 1) If Census Block is CAF 2 - Not Eligible
- 2) If Census Block has Wireline Competitor with at least 10/1 broadband - Not Eligible
- 3) If Census Block Wireline Competitor is a Neighboring ILEC Sharing Service in the Census Block - Eligible
- 4) If Census Block has a Fixed Wireless Competitor with at least 10/1 Broadband but Does Not Provide Voice - Eligible
- 5) If Census Block has a Fixed Wireless Competitor that receives federal USF - Eligible
- 6) If proposal is for a wireline solution, then Fixed Wireless census blocks are counted - Eligible

Census Blocks	CAF 2 and Form 477 Status	Is Wireline Competitor a Neighboring ILEC? *	Does Fixed Wireless Competitor Provide Voice Service? **	NUSF Eligibility	Summary	# Census Blocks	%
311090102021001	CAF2			CAF2	CAF2	40	39%
311090102022005	CAF2			CAF2	NE BB Eligible	63	61%
311090102022006	CAF2			CAF2	Competition - FW	0	0%
311090102022007	CAF2			CAF2	Competition - Other	0	0%
311090102022034	CAF2			CAF2	Total	103	100%
311090102022035	CAF2			CAF2			
311090102022037	CAF2			CAF2	Eligible for Funding	63	61.2%
311090102022148	CAF2			CAF2			
311090102022160	CAF2			CAF2			
311599601001000	CAF2			CAF2			
311599601001020	CAF2			CAF2			
311599601001024	CAF2			CAF2			
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311090102021002	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102021003	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022036	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022038	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022039	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022040	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022041	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022042	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022043	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
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311090102022146	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022147	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022149	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022150	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			
311090102022151	Competition - FW	No Wireline Competitor	N	NE BB Eligible			

Check List #3 Subscribers - Raymond Exchange RL04

Exchange	# Locations in Deployment Area
Raymond	153

Estimated Broadband Take Rate 50%
New Broadband Subscribers 77

50% Take Rate assumption is likely low since broadband is generally not available due to long loop lengths

Checklist Item #4 Estimated Schedule – Raymond Exchange RL04

Proposed Schedule:

Engineering design & approval	30 Calendar Days
Site Acquisition, permitting & material acquisition	90 to 120 Calendar Days
Equipment deployment, testing, and turn-up	30 Calendar Days

Notes:

If multiple sites are involved, work activities will be conducted concurrently, so that total time for the project is 150 to 180 days

Schedule is subject to seasonal limitations regarding when construction can commence or be completed.

Check List #6 Pricing - Raymond Exchange RL04

Price for Internet Only (HSI Simple or Solo Internet)				
Speed		Standard Price	Current Promo	Net Price
Up to 25Mb		\$45	\$10 off for 12 months	\$35
50Mb		\$45	\$10 off for 12 months	\$35
100Mb		\$45	\$10 off for 12 months	\$35
1 Gbps		\$75	\$20 off for 12 months	\$55

Price for Internet + Bundle Phone Adder				
Speed		Standard Price	Current Promo	Net Price
Up to 25Mb		\$65	\$10 off for 12 months	\$55
50Mb		\$65	\$10 off for 12 months	\$55
100Mb		\$65	\$10 off for 12 months	\$55
1 Gbps		\$95	\$20 off for 12 months	\$75

\$50 Activation Fee and Free Professional Installation

AFFIDAVIT OF BRAD BRANNON

I, Brad Brannon, being first duly sworn upon oath, state as follows:

1. I am currently employed by Windstream as the Vice President Consumer & Small Business - Business Intelligence. In that capacity, I am personally familiar with the company's network structure in Nebraska.
2. I have reviewed the foregoing project filing and certify that (a) the areas of the proposed project are CAF II eligible areas and have not refused CAF II funding, or the areas of the proposed project are ineligible for CAF II funding; (b) Windstream has done its due diligence to verify that comparable broadband does not already exist in the areas of the proposed project that we are requesting funding; and (c) all information included in the project filing is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.



 Brad Brannon

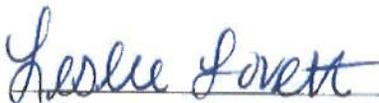
ACKNOWLEDGMENT

STATE OF ARKANSAS)

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COUNTY OF PULASKI

Subscribed, sworn to and acknowledged before me on this 13th day of May, 2019
by Brad Brannon



 Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

