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BEATRICE HIGH SCHOOL

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Nebraska Broadband Bridge Program Selection Committee

Beatrice High School and Beatrice Public School District #15 is supportive of Diller Telephone and Diode Cable's application to the West Ellis Project. This targeted area is within our district boundaries and houses some of our Beatrice Public Schools shareholders, scholars and staff members.

As our school begins to transition back to "normal" school from the COVID19 pandemic and its effects on our school and student learning, we are continuing to utilize one line curriculum, Google Classroom programs and video conferencing. We have also developed a "1 to 1 Chromebook" distribution program which allows each of our 700 students to have a Chromebook computer for their individual school use. Even though we are back to being in a physical school setting, many of the teaching tools, technology programs and virtual learning opportunities continue to exist and have become the norm for our BHS students.

To fully benefit from a virtual style of learning and instruction (online lessons, video conferencing and visual interactions), which are utilized at BHS, the need for our scholars and staff, who live in the West Ellis Project area to have such access, is paramount. My understanding is that Diller Telephone and Diode Cable plan to upgrade fiber optic facilities which would greatly increase the capabilities of the network for educational, work and home purposes in the area. This would benefit our school and assist our scholars and their educational experience.

Beatrice High School would encourage your support of Diller Telephone and Diode Cable's application to the Broadband Bridge Program for improvements included in the West Ellis Project.

If you have any questions about the positive effects these improvements would have on our school, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Jason Sutter, Beatrice High School Principal