

WINSTREAM NEBRASKA, INC.

NUSF-99 PRICE CAP APPLICATION – Shelby Exchange FTTP

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 10 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, 2019, and 2020 funding allocation.

- Fiber-to-the Prem to serve a significant portion of the Shelby, NE ILEC Exchange

This area of the Shelby Exchange is not currently offered broadband service above 10Mbps. This project intends to address these customers by placing fiber-to-the-prem to provide symmetrical download and upload speeds of 1000Mbps.

- The project will place approximately 66 miles of fiber to enable symmetrical FttP services.
- The installation and use of optical equipment within the central office to provide direct service to individual residences and businesses

Windstream projects the total deployment costs for this project is \$4,665,863 and Windstream is requesting Nebraska Universal Service Funding of \$4,665,863, not including ROW and IDC. Windstream is requesting that the funding for this project be applied against the remaining 2018, 2019, and 2020 funds allotted to Windstream.

Checklist Item No. 2:

A list in Excel Format of all the census blocks where broadband facilities would be deployed for the proposed project, which shall include 2010 Census Block identification number of service area, by project.

Windstream's Response:

See Attached Checklist Item #2.

Checklist Item No. 3:

An estimate of the number of potential new broadband subscribers for each project.

Windstream's Response:

See Attached Checklist Item #3

Checklist Item No. 4:

An estimated schedule for broadband deployment.

Windstream Response:

Windstream stands ready to begin project work immediately upon approval of the application, the deployment schedule will be as indicated in the Attached Checklist Item #4.

Checklist Item No. 5:

A proposed budget, showing total project costs, in electronic format, with a detailed breakdown of the cost elements and a depreciation schedule showing the life of the investment.

Windstream Response:

Please see Attached Checklist Item #5 which also includes the depreciation schedule showing the life of investment for the major plant categories associated with these projects.

Checklist Item No. 6:

Proposed retail pricing, including both monthly recurring costs and nonrecurring costs for the new broadband service(s) to be offered. At a minimum the pricing should reflect the stand alone price for the speeds to be offered to the customer.

Windstream Response:

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 - Shelby Exchange FTTP

Criteria for Determining NUSF Eligibility for Census Blocks in Priority Order for Projects Using Fiber 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 Qualify as Competitor? *	NUSF Eligibility
311439601001001	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001123	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001106	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001110	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
310239676003053	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001115	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439601001025	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439601001155	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001117	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001099	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439601001023	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001120	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001132	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001113	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001108	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439601001136	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439601001149	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001098	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001104	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible
311439600001235	Served - FW	N	N	NUSF Eligible

Summary	# Census Blocks	%
CAFZ	0	0.0%
NUSF Eligible	61	100.0%
RDOF	0	0.0%
Served - FW	0	0.0%
Served - Wireline	0	0.0%
WIN NUSF	0	0.0%
Total	61	100.0%
Eligible	61	100.0%