



APPLICATION

South Carolina 2021 Rural Broadband Grant Program

Applicant Information

Applicant Name/Organization

Applicant FCC Registration Number (FRN)

Primary Contact Name

Title

Mailing Address

Phone Number

City, State, Zip

Email

Broadband Service Provider Experience

Date of Applicant's Initial FCC Form 477 Submission

Date of Applicant's Most Recent FCC Form 477 Submission

Applicant and/or Project Partner has Experience:

- Delivering broadband service via fiber and/or hybrid fiber-coax infrastructure
- Delivering broadband service via fixed wireless infrastructure
- Building and operating broadband networks in rural areas
- Operating broadband networks in low-moderate income areas

Project Area Information

Eligible County Impact

Counties
(list)

Cities/Towns/Municipalities
(list)

Households

Businesses

Health Care Facilities

Community Anchor Institutions

Educational Institutions

Contiguous County Impact

Counties
(list)

Cities/Towns/Municipalities
(list)

Households

Businesses

Health Care Facilities

Community Anchor Institutions

Educational Institutions

Broadband Infrastructure Information

Indicate the type(s) of broadband infrastructure technology to be deployed in the project area.

- Fiber to the Premises* Minimum Sustainable Download/Upload Speeds
- Hybrid fiber-coax* Minimum Sustainable Download/Upload Speeds
(*symmetrical upload/download speeds*)
- Hybrid fiber-coax* Minimum Sustainable Download/Upload Speeds
(*non-symmetrical upload/download speeds*)
- Fixed wireless* Minimum Sustainable Download/Upload Speeds

Broadband Pricing Schedules or Tiers

Indicate all rate tiers for wireline projects of at least 100/20 Mbps or fixed wireless at 50/5 Mbps or faster that will be offered to customers in the project area:

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rates less than \$10/month | <input type="checkbox"/> Rates between \$20 - \$24.99/month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rates between \$10 - \$14.99/month | <input type="checkbox"/> Rates between \$25 - \$34.99/month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rates between \$15 - \$19.99/month | |

Project Timeline

Project Start Date	Customer Premises
Project Construction Activity Begins	<i>Installations Begin</i>
Project Construction Activity Complete	<i>Installations End</i>
	Overall Project Completion Date

Project Cost Information

Total Project Cost	Average Cost per Location Served <i>(all locations or structures)</i>
Upfront Cost Requirements	
Cost of Building and/or Extending Infrastructure to Customer Premises	Average Cost per Housing Unit
	Average Cost per Business

Project Funding Information

South Carolina Rural Broadband Grant Program Funds requested (\$)

Applicant-Provided Funding (\$)

Non-Public Funding

Amount (\$)

Source(s)

Attachments and Exhibits

Please attach the following items to application:

- Map of project area (*PDF and Shapefile formats*)
- Letters of support evidencing community need and strategic partnerships
- Any additional information evidencing community need for project
- Most recent FCC Form 477 filing

Certification and Signature

CERTIFICATION: The Applicant certifies that information included in this application is factual to their knowledge.

Signature:

Print Name of Signatory:

Title of Signatory:

Date:

All questions and completed applications should be submitted to Broadband@ORS.SC.GOV

Facsimile signatures and email signatures shall be as effective as original signatures to bind any party.



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Mr. Tom Allen
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Columbia, SC 29201

I am writing in support of Centurylink's grant application in Eutawville in Orangeburg County. The application is seeking to provide fiber based broadband services to approximately 2,800 homes in an area that will benefit tremendously from this technology deployment.

Access to broadband is no longer a luxury, but a necessity that serves as an economic engine and connects a global world. Rural Localities like ours are lacking in this infrastructure that is a foundation for education, economic growth, job creation, global competitiveness, and quality of life. We see this grant application as an exciting opportunity to expand broadband service to those areas currently unserved. This will provide significant and tangible benefits with regards to economic development and education, by encouraging businesses to come, stay and grow, and allowing our students access to critical information efficiently in their homes.

The commitment to work in partnership with our localities as well as other educational, business, and government leaders in the area to develop and implement last mile fiber will greatly benefit both individuals and businesses through workforce development, community enhancement, health care and educational opportunities. This project will provide critical broadband services to unserved and underserved areas and enhance the quality of life and help to stimulate the economy in this rural region.

Thank you for your consideration of our grant application to bring broadband fiber to our communities. If you have any questions regarding our support, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Brandon L Weatherford
Mayor



May 12, 2021

Office of Regulatory Staff
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Tom Allen:

The application for the Rural Broadband Grant Program requires demonstration of current availability of funds for the project. CenturyLink is ranked in the top 200 largest companies according to Fortune's annual list. In South Carolina, CenturyLink has more than \$368 Million in total network investments within South Carolina.

CenturyLink has internal approval through our Capital Governance process, which allocates capital spending for North America, to spend \$3,028,518 as part of our Orangeburg County/ Eutawville application.

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 919-873-5824.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Brewer".

Steve Brewer
Director of Government Affairs

Filed electronically

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 Eutawville Project Area

Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA

Boundaries shown are approximate. For verification of unique addresses or locations, contact your local CenturyLink representative.