

Broadband Road Trip: A High Speed Internet Tour

PRE-Road Trip Events: Tuesday, August 23

- 10:00 AM FCC Commissioner Adelstein speaks at **South Dakota Telecommunications Association's Annual Conference, Ramkota, Pierre** (*invitation event*)
- 3:00 PM Arrive at **Communication Services for the Deaf**, Sioux Falls, for presentation on broadband signing and other services offered by CSD via **Qwest** (*invitation event*)
- 4:30 PM Arrive at **PrairieWave Communications**, Sioux Falls, for walk-through with company representatives and organization overview (*invitation event*)

Wednesday, August 24

- 9:00 AM Tour kickoff **press event, Sheraton Hotel, Sioux Falls** (*public event*)
- 11:15 AM Arrive **Mitchell Technical Institute**; Mitchell Chamber of Commerce luncheon hosted by Mitchell-based telecommunications consultants **Innovative Systems, Martin Group** and **Vantage Point Solutions**; presentations by **Midcontinent Communications** (on latest technologies such as voice-over-the-internet) and **Santel Communications Cooperative/Mitchell Telecom** (on new "fiber-to-the-premise" broadband access system in Mitchell) (*invitation event*)
- 4:00 PM Arrive at **James Valley Telecommunications**, Groton; speak at community event, along with company and **SDN Communications** representatives, on serving both small towns and competing in cities like Aberdeen (*public event*)
- 7:00 PM Arrive Kennebec to attend **Kennebec Telephone Company**-sponsored community/customer barbecue, with company representatives (*public event*)

Thursday, August 25

- 7:45 AM Meeting with legislative leadership and state government telecommunications officials about services provided by **SDN Communications** and **Qwest** to the state and presentation by **SD Bureau of Information and Technology** on state uses of technology (*invitation event*)
- 10:00 AM Arrive at **Lakota Technologies** and **Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Telephone Authority**, Eagle Butte, for walk-through with company representatives (*invitation event*)
- 12:30 PM Arrive at **Philip Livestock Auction**, Philip, for walk-through with company and **Golden West Telecommunications** and **SDN Communications** representatives; see demonstration on the Auction's new Webcast technology (*invitation event*)
- 3:45 PM **Press conference and "Broadband Shootout,"** Main Street, Deadwood, with **PrairieWave** (former Black Hills FiberCom) and **Midcontinent** representatives (*public event*)