

July 9, 2021

Mr. Eric Paulson  
South Dakota Public Utilities Commission  
State Capitol Building  
500 East Capitol Avenue  
Pierre, SD 57501-5050

Re: Docket TC21-062  
Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. ETC/USF  
Certification Data Request Response

FROM THE DESK OF  
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Dear Mr. Paulson:

This letter is in response to the Data Request issued to Alliance Communications Cooperative, Inc. (the "Company") in the above-referenced docket on June 30, 2021. The questions will be addressed in the order in which they were posed in the original Data Request.

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- 1-4. Explain how Alliance spent the South Dakota Broadband grant money in 2020 and how Alliance plans to spend the money awarded for 2021.

**RESPONSE 1-4(a):** Grant funds in the amount of \$269,428 received in 2020 have been used to offset the cost of bringing service to underserved areas in the N. Highway 11 area of northeastern Minnehaha and southeastern Moody counties. 54 new service locations were added as part of the initial project with additional locations added since that time.

**RESPONSE 1-4(b):** Grant funds in the amount of \$715,338.54 received in 2021 have been used to partially fund the cost of bringing service to underserved areas in East Renner, Rowena and S. Iverson Crossing areas of Minnehaha County. 107 new service locations were added as part of the initial project, and additional locations continue to be added.

If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this letter or require any additional information or documentation, please feel free to contact me at your convenience at 605-335-4989. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

CUTLER LAW FIRM, LLP

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'RJ Taylor', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ryan J. Taylor  
For the Firm

Attachment

cc: Ross Petrick (email)  
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