

Docket Number: TC22-027
Subject Matter: First Data Request
Request to: Venture Communications Cooperative
Request from: South Dakota Public Utilities Commission Staff
Date of Request: 7/5/2022
Responses Due: 7/19/2022

- 1-1. Explain, in detail, how Venture Vision used the funds from the Governor's Office of Economic Development in 2021. What plans are there for the GOED money Venture received in 2022?

Response: The 2021 GOED funds were used to construct fiber-to-the-home facilities and provide service to 360 customers in rural Hand County. The 2022 GOED funds are being used to build fiber-to-the-home service in the Lake Byron area of Beadle County.

- 1-2. What specific projects in 2022 and 2023 does Venture Vision have for spending the RDOF money?

Response: The RDOF funds were for a portion of rural Hughes County, which was provided with fiber-to-the-home technology in 2019 and 2020. In 2022, Venture Vision will be constructing fiber-to-the-home facilities in the Lake Byron area, which also received some RDOF funds. The 2023 project of providing fiber-to-the-home technology to a portion of rural Beadle County does not include RDOF funding.

- 1-3. Provide Exhibits, A, B, D and Lifeline/Link Up reports for Venture Vision.

Response: Please find attached hereto Confidential Exhibits A and B, Exhibit D and Lifeline/Link Up Report for Venture Vision. With regard to the Lifeline/Link Up Report, the Company is not yet designated as a Lifeline provider with USAC, as Venture Vision has only recently received ETC certification from the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission. However, as noted on the attached Report, Venture Vision is dba Venture Communications Cooperative so customer notifications are the same as for Venture Communications Cooperative.