# Support of Target Populations and Equity

**Company Name:** 

Project Service Area (PSA) Number:

#### 1. COMMUNITIES SERVED (5pts):

- a) *Project Service Area Description:* Applicant shall provide a description of the geographic coverage of the proposed Project Service Area (e.g., route miles, network interconnection locations, street/place names, contiguous/non-contiguous areas, etc.).
- b) *List of Municipalities Served: Does* the proposed Project Service Area include a Gateway Municipality, Qualified Census Tract, or other location with low income or economically disadvantaged households?
  - □ YES
  - □ NO

Applicant shall list all the municipalities to be served. Also, indicate whether the municipality is a Gateway Municipality and whether any Qualified Census Tracts are included in the Project Service Area.

Name of Municipality	Qualified Census Tract (Y/N)	Gateway Municipality (Y/N)

- c) *Project Map:* Applicant shall include a service map of the proposed project area in PDF version, and ensure the map includes the following information, as applicable:
  - Last-Mile Project: Include the service area boundaries and also include place names, boundaries, buildings, road/street names, Qualified Census Tract boundaries, or other features that clearly identify the project coverage area.
  - Middle-Mile Project: Includes the routes that the high-capacity broadband infrastructure traverses to connect communities to the Internet backbone, does not connect directly to end-user locations, and enables interconnecting internet service provider(s) to provide last-mile broadband service.

## Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that the Project Map(s) are included in the Appendix.

d) *Address and Spatial Data*: Applicant shall provide the requisite address and spatial data for the proposed Project Service Area.

For the proposed Project Service Area, Applicant should provide the following attachments:

i) Spatial data layers of proposed project service area boundaries and network route including road centerlines, easements, and points of interconnection with existing infrastructure. Actual proposed locations of infrastructure should be included in the file(s). Acceptable spatial formats include file geodatabase (.gdb), Shapefile (.shp, .shx, .prj, .dbf, etc.), and Google Earth (.kmz, or .kml). Upload the data in a single compressed .zip file format. Mass DOT road centerline data can be found here: <a href="https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massgis-data-massachusetts-department-of-transportation-massdot-roads">https://www.mass.gov/info-details/massgis-data-massachusetts-department-of-transportation-massdot-roads</a>.

## Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that a Spatial Data Layer(s) are included in the Appendix.  $\Box$ 

- Spreadsheet of street addresses to be served within the proposed service area. Address data may come from (1) MBI BSL data, (2) CostQuest BSL Fabric, or (3) alternate sources, in that order of preference. Applicant should use the Address Data Template that includes the following fields:
  - a) Address data source (MBI, CostQuest, Other)
  - b) Unique ID (use BSL\_ID for MBI data and Location\_ID for CostQuest data, not required for other data sources)
  - c) Street number\*
  - d) Street name, including prefix or suffix\*
  - e) Municipal jurisdiction (official city or town name)\*
  - f) 5 digit zip code\*
  - g) Location type (residential, commercial, institution, other)
  - h) Latitude\* (5-6 decimal places)
  - i) Longitude\* (5-6 decimal places)
  - j) Current Service Level (Unserved, Underserved, Unknown)
  - k) Current Service Source (MBI Map, FCC Map, Applicant, Other)

\*Due to CostQuest Fabric licensing requirement, street address and latitude/longitude are not required if a CostQuest Fabric is used.

#### Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that a list of Street Addresses to be served is included in the Appendix.  $\Box$ 

## 2. NUMBER OF LOCATIONS SERVED AND LEVEL OF SPEED PROVIDED BY THE PROJECT (9pts):

a) *Locations to be Served:* Applicant shall enter the total number of locations to be passed by the proposed project for the speed tiers identified below.

Current Spe	ed (Mbps)	≤ 25/3: Unserved		≤ 100/20: Underserved	
Maximum S	peed After Build (Mbps)	100/100	1G/1G	100/100	1G/1G
Premises	Single BSL				
Premises	Multi-Dwelling Units				
Premises	Businesses				
Premises	Community Anchor Institutions				

Current Spee	ed (Mbps)	≤ 25/3: Unserved		≤ 100/20: Underserved	
Maximum Sp	beed After Build (Mbps)	100/100	1G/1G	100/100	1G/1G
Premises	Total				

- 3. EXTENT TO WHICH LOW-INCOME POPULATIONS WILL BE SERVED (5pts):
  - a) List of Cities/Towns to be Served: Applicant shall list all the cities/towns to be served and indicate each city/town HUD Low or Moderate Income ("LMI") and LMI points. LMI scores according to the HUD ranking can be found on the following webpage: <u>download (mass.gov)</u>.

Name of City/Town	HUD LMI	LMI Points

## 4. AFFORDABILITY OF BROADBAND PLANS OFFERED BY APPLICANT (6pts):

- a) *Affordable Plans:* Participation in the Affordable Connectivity Program ("ACP"), or any successor program, is a mandatory for all awardees through December 31, 2034. Applicant should confirm their participation in the FCC's ACP.
  - □ YES
  - □ NO

If NO, Applicant must provide proof that the Applicant has submitted the ACP Election Form and all required documentation to the Universal Service Administrative Company as part of Attachment 5.1D.

## Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that evidence demonstrating participation, or, if applicable, the prior submission of required ACP participation documents is included in the Appendix.

b) *Plan Speeds and Costs:* Applicant shall provide details of pricing for all mass market broadband service offerings that will be charged to residents, businesses, and organizations served by the project.

Download Speed (Mbps)	Upload Speed (Mbps)	Monthly Data Allowance (GB)	Monthly Cost (\$)	Data Cap (GB)

- c) Other Low-Cost Service(s): Applicant should indicate if they are or will provide a low-cost service offering with ACP to eligible households.
  - □ YES
  - □ NO

If YES, please provide further details:

#### 5. <u>COMMUNITY SUPPORT (5pts)</u>:

a) *Support Letters:* Applicant shall include in their grant application letter(s) of support from the governing body of each municipality that will be served by the project.

## Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that a letter(s) of support is included in the Appendix.  $\Box$ 

b) Additional Support Letters or Documentation: Furthermore, Applicant may also provide a description of additional community support for the proposed project. Community support can be presented in multiple ways including but not limited to formal public-private partnerships, letters of support, memorandums of understanding, community broadband plans, permit fee reductions or waivers or other relevant and appropriate documents.

## Confirmation

Check this box to confirm that additional community support documentation is included in the Appendix.