OMB CONTROL NO. 0660-0035 EXPIRATION DATE: 11/30/2010

## FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT 2010



1. Recipient Organization (Name and complete address including zip code)	2. Award Identification Number
Mid-Atlantic Broadband Cooperative	NT10BIX5570087

## 3. Performance Narrative (Q1)

Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of your award period. This should include a description of federal expenditures to date, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any delays or challenges. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)

Overall Project- Start-up activities have begun with the award announcement & preparation of the baseline report and 1<sup>st</sup> qtr performance report.

Environmental activities include providing NTIA a description of the project, along with maps and descriptions of construction equipment, to be used by NTIA to provide preliminary consultation information to State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)/Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), United States Fish & Wildlife Services (USFWS) & National Marine Sanctuary Foundation (NMSF); Issued the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Environmental Assessment (EA) work; and provided the Army Corp of Engineers and USFWS with a pre-application letter with project description & maps

Network Design will begin once the RFP is issued & evaluated next quarter.

Right of Way & permitting have begun with initial contracts with several cooperatives and agencies concerning pole agreements and required permitting.

There has been no site preparation or equipment procurement. Network build includes project administrative &management, as well as construction activities; however, have established bi-weekly update call schedule with NTIA & held informal meetings with some Community Anchor Institutions.

No known challenges at this time.

## 4. Performance Projections (Q2)

Please describe your anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter. This should include a description of federal expenditures, key milestones, the primary activities needed to accomplish those milestones, significant project accomplishments, and any potential delays or challenges you foresee. Please use the milestone categories provided in your baseline report (e.g., environmental assessment, design, rights of way) to structure your answer. (500 words or less)

Overall Project – The project activities should be approximately 1% complete by the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Environmental Assessment-We plan to select a consulting firm to perform the Environmental Assessment.

Network Design- Activities include preparing & distribute the Engineering RFP; Compile a list of qualified bidders based on our company procurement policy; Select engineering firm(s) to do the design, engineering & permitting for the project; conduct the prebid engineering meeting; execute the engineering & design contract(s) with the successful bidders(s); begin the engineering & design phase of the project.

Planned right of way & permitting activities will include completing the necessary joint use contracts for pole attachments under this project.

Our site preparation activities will include beginning the site selection process for the four interconnection points.

Our network build activities will include traveling to NTIA conference for Round 2 recipients; and begin preparation of the construction RFP.

Anticipated federal expenses include travel costs to NTIA conference, easement acquisition costs, RFP preparation costs, legal fees for contract preparation & project management costs.

We do not anticipate any delays or challenges in the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.

5. Certification: I cer	tify to the best of my knowled	ge and belief that this report i	is correct and complete for p	performance of activities
for the purposes set	forth in the award documents			

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	5d. Email Address		
5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official	5e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year)		

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