




FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT First Quarter 2010

1. Recipient Organization (<i>Name and complete address including zip code</i>) Nelson County Virginia, PO Box 336, 84 Courthouse Square Lovingson, VA 22949	2. Award Identification Number NT10BIX5570049
3. Performance Narrative (Q1) <i>Please describe your project activities and progress for the first quarter of 2010. 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)</i> Nelson County, Virginia received its grant award on March 16, 2010, which was at the end of Quarter 1. Project activities for the quarter include: acceptance of the grant award, enrollment/registration with Grantsonline.gov, Federalreporting.gov, and ASAP.gov, and participation in various conference calls and webinars for new grant recipients. There were no federal expenditures and no significant project accomplishments occurred.	
4. Performance Projections (Q2) <i>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)</i> Anticipated project activities and progress for the next quarter include: continued participation in recipient conference calls/webinars, procurement of an Engineering/Project Management consultant who will begin completing the Environmental Assessment, final network design, and obtaining rights of way and utility easements. It is anticipated that 3% of the overall federal expenditures for the project will be expended in this quarter with 25% of the budgeted funds expended on the Environmental Assessment, 25% of the budgeted funds expended on Network Design, and 25% of the budgeted funds expended on Rights of Way and Utility Easements. Anticipated federal expenditures will be \$36,533 for Q2. Primary activities associated with the key milestones in progress in this quarter include: 1. Procurement of an Engineering/Project Management Consultant: Finalize a contract for Engineering/Project Management services with qualified consultant in accordance with 15 CFR 24 Section 24.36 and the Code of Virginia Section 2.2-4300. 2. Environmental Assessment: The County intends for this activity to be within the scope of services provided by the contracted consultant in #1 and will be initiated immediately upon finalization of a contract for services. The County does not anticipate any challenges related to this activity and expects to ultimately receive a Finding of No Significant Impact within the six month timeframe prescribed by the Special Award Conditions of the grant.	

3. Final Network Design: The County intends for this activity to be within the scope of services provided by the contracted consultant in #1. Substantial work on the network design was completed during the grant application process and design finalization will be dependent upon finalization of the rights of way and utility easement acquisitions. Challenges or delays related to this milestone include those related to the acquisition of the rights of way or utility easements that could impact the network design.

4. Rights of Way and Utility Easements: The County intends for this activity to be within the scope of services provided by the contracted consultant in #1. Most of the Fiber Optic cabling is proposed to be hung aurally on existing power line poles via pole attachment agreements with the electric utility provider. Pole attachment agreements will need to be finalized; however the electric cooperative has indicated its willingness and intent to do so; thus this is not anticipated to be a challenge for the project. It is also anticipated that the County will be using Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) right of way wherever necessary. Two of the four proposed towers, will likely be located on privately owned land and will require negotiation of a utility easement and/or tower lease agreement. This could present a challenge and potentially cause delays in their construction.

5. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete for performance of activities for the purposes set forth in the award documents.

5a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official	5c. Telephone (area code, number and extension) 434-263-7000
Stephen A. Carter, County Administrator	5d. Email Address scarter@nelsoncounty.org
5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official 	5e. Date Report Submitted (Month, Day, Year) 4/30/2010

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