



FIRST PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT First Quarter 2010

<p>1. Recipient Organization (<i>Name and complete address including zip code</i>) Virginia Tech Foundation, Inc 902 Prices Fork Road STE 400 Blacksburg VA 24060-3260</p>	<p>2. Award Identification Number NT10BIX5570016</p>
<p>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></p> <p>Planning activities for the first quarter included: MBC has completed and circulated an RFP for the required Environmental Assessment to various firms for responses for the Virginia Tech Foundation. Route maps have also been sent to the Virginia State Historical Preservation Office for determining if any of the proposed fiber routes could potentially impact historical landmarks. Field surveys of the proposed fiber route from Blacksburg to Bedford have been conducted. Utility companies have been contacted along the route to begin joint use negotiations. Search for new employees was begun.</p> <p>MBC is a sub-recipient. MBC has not yet been reimbursed for any expenditures, pending the completion of the agreement between the Virginia Tech Foundation and MBC.</p> <p>The Foundation exists to serve Virginia Tech, which exists to serve the citizens of the Commonwealth. Virginia Tech has been very active over the last decades in promoting access to information technology, and particularly broadband infrastructure for underserved communities. Expansion of Virginia's open access fiber network to the university's hometown of Blacksburg will put the resources of Virginia Tech "on-net" for communities throughout the region. Also, the university will leverage expanded optical infrastructure for critical high performance access to national and international research networks.</p>	
<p>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></p> <p>For the second quarter, we anticipate the following project activities;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Award and completion of Environmental Assessment • Compilation of qualified bidders based on MBC's procurement policy requirements • Issuance of EF&I RFPs for fiber and shelter construction • Award of construction contracts • Federal expenditures will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Environmental Assessment fees ○ New hire salary reimbursements ○ Easement acquisition costs ○ RFP costs ○ Legal fees for contract preparation. <p>Planned expenditures for Quarter 2 are \$55,400.</p>	
<p>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.</p>	
<p>5a. Typed or Printed Name and Title of Authorized Certifying Official Patricia L. Rodgers</p>	<p>5c. Telephone (<i>area code, number and extension</i>) 540-231-1709</p> <p>5d. Email Address prodgers@vt.edu</p>
<p>5b. Signature of Authorized Certifying Official </p>	<p>5e. Date Report Submitted (<i>Month, Day, Year</i>) April 28, 2010</p>

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