



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
ACQUISITION AND GRANTS OFFICE

December 19, 2013

Chuck Robinson  
City of Charlotte  
600 E 4th Street  
Charlotte, NC 28202

Re: Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP)  
City of Charlotte  
(Grant Award # NT10BIX5570088)  
Lift of Partial Suspension

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I am writing to inform you that the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has recommended and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Grants Office has agreed to lift the partial suspension of the City of Charlotte (Charlotte) BTOP award, which will allow Charlotte to begin the necessary steps to implement the revised project plan recently submitted to NTIA. NTIA has also recommended and NOAA has agreed to extend the project performance period for the Charlotte BTOP award to September 30, 2015, to allow Charlotte to complete the project. NTIA looks forward to working with you to serve public safety users.

To date, Charlotte has drawn down approximately 25 percent of its award funds due to the partial suspension. Consequently, NTIA and NOAA have had insufficient opportunity to observe Charlotte's management of federal funding to allow a change from agency review status at this time. Therefore, the Charlotte award will remain on agency review status. After one year, Charlotte may submit a request for NTIA and the NOAA Grants Office to re-evaluate whether reimbursement-only status remains reasonably necessary for oversight of the award.

Please contact Lance Johnson, Federal Program Officer, at 202-482-5032 or [ljohnson@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:ljohnson@ntia.doc.gov) if you have any questions or require any additional clarification.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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BTOP Grants Officer

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