

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

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SCOTT EDSON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June 1, 2020

Mr. Douglas Kinkoph, Assistant Secretary U.S. Department of Commerce 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington D.C. 20230

Dear Mr. Kinkoph:

AWARD ACTION REQUEST NO-COST EXTENSION

Please accept this letter formally requesting a No-Cost Extension allowing LA-RICS to complete certain construction activities through July 7, 2020, with our assurance all final close-out activities will be completed on or before August 15, 2020.

As communicated to our Federal Program Officer and Grants Specialist, the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) and subsequent directives relating to preservation of public health and safety has impacted the LA-RICS Coverage Augmentation objective schedule. Executive Order N-33-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 19, 2020, impacted, among other things, the ability to expedite construction activities by limiting number of crews on site, as well as limiting ability to secure timely building/construction inspections as well as power application inspections, etc. Many third party utilities and permitting authorities have closed their counters, with staff working alternative schedules that have impacted our schedule. In addition, the national strain caused by COVID-19 on the manufacturing / supply chain has impacted our ability to obtain antenna support structures according to schedule.

Despite the negative impacts of this pandemic, the LA-RICS team revised certain site scope to allow for further accelerated construction and completion of twenty (20) sites within by the July 7, 2020, date. The project team will make themselves available to detail the accelerated plan which incorporates COVID-19 impacted dates, agency commitments, and completion dates (including issuance of building permits) as well as how we can achieve work completion with sufficient time to process invoices, submit claims and secure approvals for grant funding drawdowns prior to September 30, 2020. The No-Cost Extension is warranted given the unprecedented impact of COVID-19 that no one could have foreseen at the start of March of this year.

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The No-Cost Extension would allow the program to complete construction at each of the twenty (20) public safety grade, mission critical communication sites reflected in the Enclosure, which were selected by Public Safety leaders in the region to resolve current FirstNet coverage gaps. These sites will not only provide significant coverage needed to make FirstNet successful in Southern California, but will further our Federal partnership by bringing coverage that will benefit US Forrest Service, Department of Homeland Security, the intelligence community and other Federal, State and local partners.

Approval of this No-Cost Extension will allow for twenty (20) of the twenty-six (26) planned sites to remain in the program. Please feel free to contact Susy Orellana-Curtiss, of my team, at (323) 881-8292 or via email at susy.orellana-curtiss@la-rics.org, to arrange call details.

Sincerely,

SCOTT EDSON

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

cc: Chris Holt, Federal Program Officer, NTIA

Jennifer Duane, Broadband Program Specialist, NTIA

LA RICS LTE2 - Corona Virus Recovery Plan (2020-05-31)

	SIte ID	Туре	GC	Site Construction Start	Site Construction Finish	Close Out
1	IGPD	Roof	Metrocell	12/12/2019	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
2	AZUCYN	Pine	Jitney	4/15/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
3	MVS2	Colo	Jitney	5/13/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
4	IRWDPD	Pole 100'	Metrocell	5/20/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
5	COUG	Pole	Jitney	5/27/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
6	WMP2	USFS	MSI	5/27/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
7	WTR2	USFS	MSI	5/27/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
8	PRG2	USFS	MSI	5/28/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
9	LPC2	USFS	MSI	5/28/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
10	CLRMPD1	Pine	Diversified	5/29/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
11	THOMSEN	Colo	Motive	6/2/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
12	LACFDEL2	Colo	Motive	6/3/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
13	UCLA2	Roof	Metrocell	6/2/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
14	CRN	Colo	Motive	6/4/2020	6/30/2020	7/22/2020
15	SCEPLM	Pole	Metrocell	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
16	SCEDUN	Pole	Jitney	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
17	SCEMERC2	Pole	Diversified	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
18	SCEGAL	Pole	Jitney	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
19	SCENOLA	Pole	Metrocell	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
20	SCESTUD2	Pole	Diversified	6/8/2020	7/7/2020	7/29/2020
21	MML2	USFS	MSI	6/8/2020	7/24/2020	8/13/2020
22	MNTBLPD	Pole	Diversified	6/15/2020	7/22/2020	8/13/2020
23	POLB1*	Colo	Motive	6/30/2020	7/31/2020	8/14/2020
24	POLA1*	Pole	Jitney	7/6/2020	7/31/2020	8/14/2020
25	POLA2*	Pole	Jitney	7/6/2020	7/31/2020	8/14/2020
26	POM2*	Roof	Motive	6/22/2020	7/31/2020	8/14/2020

Legend
June Completion
Early July
Late July

^{*} Pending AT&T and landlord agreement