

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic And Atmospheric Administration
Office of Acquisition and Grants

October 17, 2011

Commissioner Angel Dawson U.S. Virgin Islands Public Finance Authority (PFA) 32 & 33 Kongens Gade St. Thomas, USVI 00802

Re:

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) viNGN Comprehensive Community Infrastructure (CCI) Program, Grant Award # NT10BIX5570096

Dear Commissioner Dawson:

Thank you for your October 3, 2011, response to the corrective action plan (CAP) request sent to you on August 31, 2011. I am writing to inform you that we have received your submission and have reviewed its contents. Our review of your response confirms that you have met the requirements of the CAP response submission by addressing all points of inquiry. As a result, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Grants Office will issue an amendment to the award to lift the stop work order effective immediately so you may resume work on your BTOP projects. NOAA and NTIA will continue to monitor your awards closely and therefore you will remain under agency review. As a result, any payments under this award must be submitted for review and approval before funds will be released to ASAP. See 15 CFR § 24.12(b).

Please note that NTIA and NIST may submit follow-up questions to clarify several of your CAP responses as it relates to the NIST grant awards. As an initial matter, PFA must work with NTIA to revise its budget to reflect the approved route change by October 30, 2011.

Please work with Scott Woods, if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Arlene Simpson Porter, Director

NOAA Grants Management Division

cc:

Hon. John P. de Jongh, Governor USVI

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