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To Whom It May Concern:

We, as a community, have tried for many years to receive internet access throughout our small county. We did a broadband study and proved the need.

Our Development Authority recently started a "Quality of Life Initiative" for the citizens of Jenkins County. One of the areas of focus is countywide internet access. We would like our children to have the ability to complete homework assignments and projects online. We can't attract young couples to our area without internet access.

We considered writing the recent grant for Community Broadband. We couldn't because we didn't have the cash match in the bank.

You should make the application process less difficult and require less match. You should form a committee to visit the rural communities. Let the community tell you what the needs are. Most people don't understand "rural". We are most often overlooked because of the size.

Send out a team - listen to our needs - consider the impact it will make to our children and their future.

Thank you,

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