September 29, 2022

Ms. Sarah Bleau
Director of Middle Mile
Office of Internet Connectivity and Growth
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20230

Dear Ms. Bleau,

The Barbour County Commission would like to express our support for the grant application and proposed project submitted by Troy Cablevision for the NTIA Middle-Mile Network Grant. We believe this project will expand access to reliable, high-speed broadband services for the State of Alabama.

The lack of accessible, affordable middle-mile fiber in Alabama, has prevented the expansion of fiber to the premises services in our state. Given Troy Cablevision's long history of providing both wholesale and fiber to the premise services in our state, they are well positioned to connect more Alabamians who want and deserve fiber broadband services.

We look forward to working with Troy Cablevision to bring the benefits of fiber broadband to more citizens in our state, and we urge NTIA to approve the grant application.

Sincerely,