From: Bill McComb

To: <u>BOCrfc2015</u>; <u>Bill McComb</u>
Subject: Access to Broadband

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To Whom It May Concern,

We're writing in response to an article in our Intercounty Electric Cooperative monthly magazine "Rural Missouri". The article describes the possibility of our coop electric provider offer broadband to it's customers. We do not have and will never have conventional broadband; we're too far out in the country.

We are very interested in seeing affordable broadband being offer to us from our electric coop. Please do what you can to facilitate this happening.

By the way, the article quotes our Governor Nixon (who we have supported) saying that 99% of all Missourians and 92% of rural Missourians have access to broadband. We respectfully dispute his information. The only way these numbers would be possible would be if you included (very) expensive satellite services, costing upwards of \$300 a month. We've inquired about every possible way to receive broadband. It's either way too expensive or not available where we live. We both believe the access through our coop would offer the best option for us.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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