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Kentucky Public Service Commission  
211 Sower Boulevard  
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Dear Kentucky Public Service Commissioners:

For the residents of the 60th district in Kentucky that I represent, access to reliable, high-speed internet has become an essential part of everyday life. We learn, work, conduct business, and receive health care online, and yet, there remain far too many Kentuckians who lack access to reliable broadband access.

In order to successfully bridge Kentucky's digital divide, we need to consider all potential solutions. This includes the Public Service Commission's (PSC) current utility pole proceeding. The PSC has the opportunity to reduce the barriers to broadband deployment by streamlining utility pole attachment guidelines and promoting equitable cost sharing which would allow for more homes, businesses, and schools across Kentucky to access the internet and enjoy all of the benefits it brings.

The PSC has the distinct opportunity to decide upon new guidelines that would benefit and improve the lives of thousands of rural Kentuckians. We urge you to enact the necessary policy changes to ensure that our state remains on the path of success.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sal Santoro".

Sal Santoro  
State Representative