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Re: Broadband in Western Kentucky

Commissioners,

I, Bryan Russelburg, Association Executive, am writing on behalf of the 88 members of the Henderson Audubon Board of Realtors® in Henderson, KY to show my support of Kenergy's broadband deployment project. We want regulated electric cooperatives to be able to provide high-speed broadband services to my community, just as municipals and TVA cooperatives do today. Our community has limited, if any, availability to reliable, high-speed internet. This critical infrastructure is essential to business, healthcare, education and quality of life.

Extending broadband services to rural areas is the modern-day equivalent of rural electrification in the 1930's. Electric cooperatives have existing infrastructure throughout our region, which makes a perfect fit to be a broadband service provider.

We are requesting your approval of Kenergy's request for a waiver, which will expedite this project in a timely manner, ensuring electric cooperatives can secure financing for the buildout.

Thank you for your consideration of this important project, one that will positively impact my community and transform western Kentucky.

Sincerely,

Bryan Russelburg

Association Executive, Henderson Audubon Board of Realtors®

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