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#### VIA Electronic Mail

FMT-T-20-04

Jan Noriyuki, Commission Secretary Idaho Public Utilities Commission 11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Building 8, Suite 201-A Boise, ID 83714

P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074

Re:

Farmers Mutual Telephone Company's Application for Broadband

Tax Credit Certification for 2019

Dear Ms. Noriyuki:

Enclosed for filing, please find a copy of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company's Application in the above referenced case. I have not sent a hard copy so please let me know if you will require that prior to opening the case.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Cynthia A. Melillo

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Enclosure

Cc:

Ron Rembelski (via electronic mail)

Daniel Klein (via electronic mail)

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#### BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF FARMERS MUTUAL TELEPHONE COMPANY, FOR BROADBAND TAX **CREDIT CERTIFICATION** 

Case No.

FARMERS MUTUAL TELEPHONE **COMPANY'S APPLICATION** 

Farmers Mutual Telephone Company ("FMTC" or "Applicant"), by and through its attorneys, Cynthia A. Melillo PLLC, files this Application for an Idaho Public Utilities Commission ("Commission") order certifying that certain telecommunications equipment is eligible for the broadband infrastructure tax credit authorized by Section 63-3029I, Idaho Code. In support of its Application, FMTC states as follows:

- 1. FMTC is a provider of basic local exchange service, broadband telecommunications service and other telecommunications services in Idaho.
- 2. During the calendar year 2019, FMTC made certain investments that constitute "qualified broadband equipment" within the meaning of Section 63-3029(I)(3)(b), Idaho Code. Exhibit A, attached hereto, describes FMTC's qualified broadband equipment and contains the information and representations required by this Commission's Order No. 28784 in Case No. GNR-T-01-10.

3. Communications regarding this Application should be addressed to the following:

Cynthia A. Melillo Cynthia A. Melillo PLLC 8385 W. Emerald Street Boise, ID 83704 (208) 577-5747 cam@camlawidaho.com

Ron Rembelski, Assistant General Manager Farmers Mutual Telephone Company P.O. Box 1030 Fruitland, ID 83619 (208) 452-2000 ron.r@fmtc.com

4. Applicant does not believe that the public interest requires a hearing on this matter and, therefore, requests that the Commission approve the Application by Minute Order or under Modified Procedure. In the event the Commission determines that further proceedings are necessary, Applicant stands ready for immediate hearings.

WHEREFORE, FMTC requests that the Commission issue its order determining that the installed equipment identified in <u>Exhibit A</u> constitutes qualified broadband equipment eligible for the investment tax credit authorized by Section 63-3029I, Idaho Code.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of December 2020.

Cynthia A. Melillo

CYNTHIA A. MELILLO PLLC

Attorneys for Farmers Mutual Telephone Company

# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 10th day of December 2020, I can	used to be served a
true and correct copy of the foregoing by the method indicated below, an following:	nd addressed to the

Jan Noriyuki, Commission Secretary	U.S. Mail
Idaho Public Utilities Commission	☐ Hand Delivered
11331 W. Chinden Blvd. Building 8, Suite	Overnight Mail
201-A	☐ Facsimile
Boise, ID 83714	

P.O. Box 83720 Boise, ID 83720-0074

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# **EXHIBIT A**

# **Broadband Tax Credit Application**

[attached]

#### **Idaho Broadband Tax Credit Application**

#### Calendar Year 2019

#### **Company Information**

1. Name of Company: Farmers Mutual Telephone Company

2. Address: 319 SW 3rd St., PO Box 1030, Fruitland, Idaho 83619

3. Type of Company: Telecommunications Carrier, Internet Service Provider

4. Contact Person : Ron Rembelski, Assistant General Manager, 208-452-2000

#### **Equipment Description**

5. Broadband Services Offered: FTTH, VDSL, and ADSL services where available

6. Network Description: Fiber Fed DLC sites providing FTTH and xDSL services, and TFW.

7. Transmission rate: Equipment is capable of transmitting signals at a rate of at least

two hundred thousand (200,000) bits per second to a subscriber and at least one hundred twenty-five thousand (125,000) bits

per second from a subscriber.

8. Number and Percentage

of Idaho Customers Served: 2081 broadband customers out of 2231 possible

9. Equipment List: See attached Broadband Equipment List

I hereby certify that I have read the applicable statutes for broadband investment income tax credit and believe that the equipment listed herein qualifies for the tax credit under Idaho Code 63-3029I.

Ron Rembelski

Assistant General Manager

Ron Rembelski

Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.

Date: 12-2-20

## 2019 Broadband Tax Credit Equipment List

Farmers Mutual Telcom Inc.

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